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City of Milwaukee Testimony on AB 187 relating to micro market licensing fees
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Good morning Members of the Committee on Regulatory Licensing Reform. Chairman Horlacher - thank you for allowing us to testify in support of Assembly Bill 187 relating to micro market licensing fees. As some of you may recall, our position of Support is actually a reversal of our prior position of Opposition. The City was able to successfully work with the bill's proponents to facilitate Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 which addresses our concerns regarding timing of the local preinspection of micromarkets.

We were able to arrive at an amendable compromise of two business days to allow a local health department to preinspect a micromarket prior to operation, a timeline which the City of Milwaukee Health Department believes is both operationally feasible and fair to the operator. The League of Wisconsin Municipalities was also an integral part of the conversation to find a shared solution to the need for prompt local licensure of this fast-growing micromarket industry.

The City of Milwaukee feels our concerns have been adequately addressed through the insertion of this amendment and appreciate the sponsors' willingness to address our concerns; therefore, we support its passage. As ATCP 74.10 currently mandates preinspection of all retail food establishments; we are hopeful that given this compromise, operators currently operating unlicensed in the City will come forward and complete the licensing process so they may operate lawfully, and most importantly, safely for the public.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our support today and I would be pleased to answer any questions.

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