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2003 Wisconsin Act 246 [2003 Assembly Bill 286]

Underage Person Being on the Premises of a Fishing Facility That Serves Alcohol Beverages

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2003 Wisconsin Act 246 provides that an underage person may be on the premises of certain recreational fishing facilities that are licensed or permitted to sell alcohol beverages.

Current law generally provides that a person who has not reached the legal drinking age (21 years) may not enter or be on any premises for which a license or permit for the retail sale of alcohol beverages has been issued unless the person is accompanied by his or her parent, guardian, or spouse who has attained the legal drinking age. There are several exceptions to this provision.

Act 246 provides that a person who has not reached the legal drinking age may enter or be on premises licensed to sell alcohol beverages, without being accompanied by a parent, guardian, or spouse, if the premises are a privately owned recreational fishing facility open to the public and registered with the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection and if the sale of alcohol beverages at the recreational fishing facility accounts for less than 30% of the business' gross receipts.

Effective Date: Act 246 takes effect on April 28, 2004.

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