

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1973 SESSION

CHAPTER 1346
HOUSE BILL 1697

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 136 TO AUTHORIZE CIVIC, NONPROFIT OR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS TO SERVE REFRESHMENTS TO MOTORISTS AT REST AREAS AND WELCOME CENTERS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter 136 of the General Statutes of North Carolina is hereby amended by adding a new section to be designated G.S. 136-89.59 to read as follows:

"§ 136-89.59. **Highway rest area refreshments.** — All civic, nonprofit, or charitable corporations and organizations are authorized to serve nonalcoholic refreshments to motorists at rest areas and welcome centers located on control access facilities in accordance with the following conditions:

- (1) 30-day permits shall be issued without cost by the Highway Division Engineer. Permits shall be subject to revocation by the State Highway Administrator for violations of this act.
- (2) The activity must be carried on solely within the safety rest area free from any ramp or other service used for the movement of vehicles.
- (3) The activity must be conducted for the express purpose of improving the safety of highway travel and the advertisement of any product by any organization shall not be permitted.
- (4) The refreshment and any other service offered must be free of charge to the motorist and solicitation of contributions, donations, etc., shall not be permitted.
- (5) Signs shall be displayed by the corporation or organization, and the Board of Transportation is hereby authorized to promulgate rules and regulations governing the size, content and location of such signs."

Sec. 2. Article 6E of Chapter 136 of the General Statutes of North Carolina has heretofore been repealed and the same is hereby deleted from codification.

Sec. 3. This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 12th day of April, 1974.