

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 842
Committee Substitute Favorable 5/13/13

Short Title: Study of Spirituous Liquor Sales-Distillery. (Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

April 11, 2013

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO STUDY THE SALE OF SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR BY THE HOLDER OF A
DISTILLERY PERMIT TO PATRONS WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN A TOUR OF
THE DISTILLERY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) Creation. – There is created the Study Committee on Spirituous
Liquor Sales by Distilleries to Tour Patrons. The Committee shall consist of eight members to
be appointed as follows:

- (1) Three members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of
the House of Representatives.
- (2) Three members of the Senate appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the
Senate.
- (3) Two members who are knowledgeable about the sale of spirituous liquor and
the operation of distilleries, one appointed by the Speaker of the House of
Representatives and one appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the
Senate.

SECTION 1.(b) Cochairs. – The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall
designate one Representative to serve as cochair, and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate
shall designate one Senator to serve as cochair. Vacancies on the Committee shall be filled by
the same appointing authority making the initial appointment.

SECTION 1.(c) Powers. – The Committee, while in the discharge of its official
duties, may exercise all powers provided for under G.S. 120-19 and G.S. 120-19.1 through
G.S. 120-19.4. The Committee may meet at any time upon the joint call of the cochairs. The
Committee may meet in the Legislative Building or the Legislative Office Building.

SECTION 1.(d) Staffing. – The Legislative Services Commission, through the
Legislative Services Officer, shall assign professional staff to assist the Committee in its work.
The Directors of Legislative Assistants of the Senate and of the House of Representatives shall
assign clerical staff to the Committee, and the expenses relating to the clerical employees shall
be borne by the Committee. Members of the Committee shall receive subsistence and travel
expenses at the rates set forth in G.S. 120-3.1, 138-5, or 138-6, as appropriate.

SECTION 1.(e) Duties. – The Committee shall study the feasibility of, and the
costs and benefits associated with, allowing the holder of a distillery permit to sell spirituous
liquor distilled at the distillery to patrons who participate in tours of the distillery. In addition,
the study shall include any other matters the Committee deems relevant to allowing this type of
sale.



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1 **SECTION 1.(f)** Report. – The Committee shall submit a final report, including any
2 proposed legislation, to the 2013 General Assembly when it reconvenes in 2014. The
3 Committee shall terminate upon filing its final report or upon the adjournment sine die of the
4 2013 General Assembly, whichever is earlier.

5 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.