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HOUSE BILL 773

Short Title: ABC Sales/Sports & Entertainment Venues. (Public)

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Referred to: Alcoholic Beverage Control

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO REVISE THE ABC LAWS GOVERNING THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC
3 BEVERAGES AT SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT VENUES.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 SECTION 1. G.S. 18B-1009 reads as rewritten:

6 "§ 18B-1009. In-stand sales.

7 (a) Construction. – Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed to prohibit a retail
8 permittee from selling for ~~consumption, malt consumption~~ alcoholic beverages authorized to be
9 sold under the applicable permit in the seating areas of ~~stadiums, ballparks, and other similar~~
10 ~~public places-sports and entertainment venues~~ with a seating capacity of 3,000 or more during
11 ~~professional sporting events, events held at the venue,~~ provided ~~that~~ that all of the following
12 requirements are met:

13 (1) The seating areas are designated as part of the retail permittee's licensed
14 ~~premises;premises.~~

15 (2) The retail permittee has notified the Commission, in writing, of its intent to
16 sell ~~malt-alcoholic~~ beverages in the seating areas at sporting ~~events;and~~
17 ~~entertainment events.~~

18 (3) Service of food and nonalcoholic beverages is available in the seating
19 ~~areas;areas.~~

20 (4) The retail permittee has certified to the Commission that it has trained its
21 ~~employees;employees to do both of the following:~~

22 a. To identify underage persons and intoxicated ~~persons;and~~persons.

23 b. To refuse to sell ~~malt-alcoholic~~ beverages to those persons as
24 required by ~~G.S. 18B-305;and~~G.S. 18B-305.

25 (5) The employees do not verbally shout or hawk the sale of ~~malt-alcoholic~~
26 beverages.

27 (b) Suspension of Sales. – The North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control
28 Commission shall adopt rules for the suspension of alcohol sales in the latter portion of
29 professional sporting ~~and entertainment~~ events in order to protect public safety at these events.

30 (c) Definitions. – The following definitions apply in this section:

31 (1) Premises. – Includes all areas where the owner of the sports and
32 ~~entertainment venue has control of the property through a lease, deed, or~~
33 ~~other legal process.~~

34 (2) Sports and entertainment venue. – Stadiums, ballparks, and other similar
35 public places."



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