GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA **SESSION 2007**

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HOUSE DRH80306-MA-304 (4/6)

Short Title: Increase Small Brewery Limits. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Harrison.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE SMALL BREWERY BREWING LIMIT FROM TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND GALLONS TO SIXTY THOUSAND GALLONS BEFORE THE BREWERY MUST USE A WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTOR TO DISTRIBUTE ITS PRODUCTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 18B-1104(7) reads as rewritten:

8 "(7)In areas where the sale is legal, sell the brewery's malt beverages at the brewery upon receiving a permit under G.S. 18B-1001(1). The 9 brewery also may obtain a malt beverage wholesaler permit to sell, 10 deliver, and ship at wholesale only malt beverages manufactured by 11 the brewery. The authorization of this subdivision applies to a brewery 12 that sells, to consumers at the brewery, to wholesalers, to retailers, and 13 14 to exporters, fewer than 25,00060,000 barrels, as defined in G.S. 81A-9, of malt beverages produced by it per year. A brewery not 15 exceeding the sales quantity limitations in this subdivision may also 16 17 sell the malt beverages manufactured by the brewery at not more than three other locations in the State upon obtaining the appropriate 18 19 permits under G.S. 18B-1001. A brewery operating any additional 20 retail location pursuant to this subdivision shall also offer for sale at 21 that location a reasonable selection of competitive malt beverage 22 products." 23

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