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SENATE BILL 759

Short Title: Increase Liquor Purchase Limit.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Daniel.

Referred to: A.B.C.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF LIQUOR A PERSON MAY PURCHASE AND POSSESS WITHOUT A PERMIT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 18B-303(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) Purchases Allowed. – Without a permit, a person may purchase at one time:

- (1) Not more than 80 liters of malt beverages, other than draft malt beverages in kegs;
- (2) Any amount of draft malt beverages in kegs;
- (3) Not more than 20 liters of unfortified wine;
- (4) Not more than ~~four~~ five liters of either fortified wine or spirituous liquor, or four liters of the two combined."

Sec. 2. G.S. 18B-304(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) **Prima Facie** Evidence. – Possession of the following amounts of alcoholic beverages, without a permit authorizing that possession, shall be **prima facie** evidence that the possessor is possessing those alcoholic beverages for sale:

- (1) More than 80 liters of malt beverages, other than draft malt beverages in kegs;
- (2) More than ~~four~~ five liters of spirituous liquor; or
- (3) Any amount of nontaxpaid alcoholic beverages."

Sec. 3. G.S. 18B-401(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) Taxis. – It shall be unlawful for a person operating a for-hire passenger vehicle as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(27)b, to transport fortified wine or spirituous liquor unless the vehicle is transporting a paying passenger who owns the alcoholic beverage

1 being transported. Not more than ~~four~~five liters of fortified wine or spirituous liquor, or
2 combination of the two, may be transported by each passenger. A violation of this
3 subsection shall not be grounds for suspension of the driver's license for illegal
4 transportation of intoxicating liquors under G.S. 20-16(a)(8)."

5 Sec. 4. G.S. 18B-1115(a) reads as rewritten:

6 "(a) Permit Required. – Unless a person holds a permit which otherwise allows
7 him to transport more than 80 liters of malt beverages other than draft malt beverages in
8 kegs, 20 liters of unfortified wine, or ~~four~~five liters of fortified wine or spirituous
9 liquor, or is a retailer authorized to transport alcoholic beverages under G.S. 18B-405,
10 each person transporting alcoholic beverages in excess of those quantities shall have the
11 permit described in this section."

12 Sec. 5. This act shall become effective July 1, 1989.