

HOUSE BILL 754:Optional Meals for Bed & Breakfast Guests.

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OVERVIEW: House Bill 754 would make the requirements to be a "bed and breakfast home" or "bed and breakfast inn" the same except the number of rooms, allow lunch and dinner to be served, and allow lunch and dinner to be charged separately from the room rate.

CURRENT LAW: G.S. 130A-247(5a) defines a "bed and breakfast home" as accommodations for a maximum 8 guest rooms in a private home for a period of less than 1 week.

G.S. 130A-247(6) defines a "bed and breakfast inn" as accommodations for a maximum 12 guest rooms for 9-23 people for a period of less than 1 week.

Both "bed and breakfast home" and "bed and breakfast inn" are limited as follows:

- Serve food or drink only to overnight guests (Bed and breakfast inn may only serve breakfast)
- Include the price of any meals served in the room rate
- Permanent residence of the owner or the manager

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 754 would allow a "bed and breakfast home" to charge separately for lunch and dinner. Currently, any meal served by a "bed and breakfast home" must be in the room rate.

House Bill 754 would set 9 as the minimum number of rooms for a "bed and breakfast inn" to differentiate an "inn" from a "home" which is allowed a maximum of 8 rooms. "Bed and breakfast inn" would also be allowed to serve all meals and charge separately for lunch and dinner. Currently, a "bed and breakfast inn" can only serve breakfast, and the charge must be included in the room rate.

EFFECTIVE DATE: House Bill 754 would be effective October 1, 2017.

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