



This Bill Analysis reflects the contents of the bill as it was presented in committee.

SENATE BILL 226: Delay Certain ABC Permit Renewal Payments.

2019-2020 General Assembly

Committee:	House Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	Date:	July 6, 2020
Introduced by:	Sen. Sanderson	Prepared by:	Chris Saunders
Analysis of:	PCS to First Edition S226-CSTQ-49		Staff Attorney

OVERVIEW: *The Proposed Committee Substitute (PCS) to Senate Bill 226 would, for ABC permittees that have been prohibited from operating due to Executive Order prohibiting on-premises service at certain types of establishments, delay the deadline for payment of a renewal fee for an ABC permit until 90 days after the Governor rescinds the Executive Order prohibiting those ABC permittees from operating, if the permittee requests the delay. The PCS would also allow those ABC permittees that have already paid a permit renewal fee to request a refund of the fee that must be repaid by the extended payment deadline.*

CURRENT LAW AND BACKGROUND: G.S. 18B-903 provides that most ABC permits that are subject to renewal are valid from May 1 to April 30. Due to the coronavirus emergency, the ABC Commission established a grace period for the registration and renewal process until June 30, 2020.

BILL ANALYSIS:

Section 1 of the PCS would provide that payment of the renewal or registration fee for an ABC permit held by an ABC permittee that is prohibited from operating pursuant to Executive Order No. 141, is not required until 90 days after the Governor signs an executive order rescinding the prohibition on those permittees' operation, provided that the ABC permittee notifies the ABC Commission of its intent to delay payment.

Section 2 would provide that an ABC permittee that is prohibited from operating pursuant to Executive Order No. 141, that has already paid a renewal or registration fee prior to the effective date of this act may request a refund from the ABC Commission. A permittee that receives a refund from the Commission must repay the fee before the expiration of the extended payment deadline established in Section 1.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act is retroactively effective June 30, 2020.

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