



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

HOUSE BILL 669: Distribute Alcohol Without Discrimination.

2021-2022 General Assembly

Committee:	House Alcoholic Beverage Control. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	Date:	May 10, 2021
Introduced by:	Reps. Moffitt, Szoka, Johnson, Moss	Prepared by:	Susan Sitze
Analysis of:	PCS to First Edition H669-CSSAa-24		Staff Attorney

OVERVIEW: *The Proposed Committee Substitute (PCS) for House Bill 669 would prohibit discrimination and advantage in the distribution of spirituous liquor to local alcoholic beverage control (ABC) boards and would appropriate funds to track the distribution.*

BILL ANALYSIS:

Section 1 of the PCS for House Bill 669 would amend G.S. 18B-204 to add additional requirements and prohibitions in the operation of the State warehouse for distribution of spirituous liquor to local ABC boards as follows:

- Require the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission (Commission) to make a good-faith effort, without discrimination, to make all spirituous liquor available to all local boards.
- Prohibit the warehouse management contractor from directly or indirectly providing information to a local board that gives them an advantage over another board in product selection or availability. Violation of this provision would be grounds to terminate the contract.
- Require the Commission to maintain a record of how, to which board, and in what quantity all limited distribution or allocated distribution products are distributed.

Section 2 of the PCS would appropriate \$250,000 in non-reverting funds to the Commission to design and develop a system to create, maintain, and disseminate the record of distribution required by Section 1 of this act.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Section 1 of this act would become effective January 1, 2022, and apply to all spirituous liquor received or distributed on or after that date. The remainder of this act would become effective when it becomes law.

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