GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 424

Short Title:	Increase Small Brewery Limits.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Senator Robinson.	
Referred to:	Rules and Operations of the Senate.	

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE SMALL BREWERY BREWING LIMIT FROM TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND BARRELS TO ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND BARRELS 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:

"(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 brewery also may obtain a malt beverage wholesaler permit to sell, deliver, and ship at wholesale only malt beverages manufactured by the brewery. The authorization of this subdivision applies to a brewery that sells, to consumers at the brewery, to wholesalers, to retailers, and to exporters, fewer than ~~25,000~~100,000 barrels, as defined in G.S. 81A-9, of malt beverages produced by it per year. A brewery not exceeding the sales quantity limitations in this subdivision may also sell the malt beverages manufactured by the brewery at not more than three other locations in the State upon obtaining the appropriate permits under G.S. 18B-1001. A brewery operating any additional retail location pursuant to this subdivision shall also offer for sale at that location a reasonable selection of competitive malt beverage products."

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