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N.C. Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission Acts on 66 Hearing Cases
Commission Continues Ongoing Rules Review Process

RALEIGH – The North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission Wednesday reviewed 66 hearing cases during its regular meeting. As a part of the ongoing rules review process, the Commission also considered several rule changes requested by the Rules Review Commission.

Regarding the hearing cases, the Commission imposed penalties and fines of approximately \$79,000 on representatives of retail bars, restaurants, groceries and clubs found to be in violation of their permits. In addition to the fines, many of the violations resulted in suspensions of permits for five days or more. The fines are to be paid by Jan. 7, 2011 with suspensions beginning Jan. 14, 2011. Fines benefit the local school systems where the violations occurred.

In other action the ABC Commission accepted the recommendations of the Rules Review Commission's staff, which had requested technical changes to several proposed rules previously adopted by the NC ABC Commission. The Commission also addressed the Rules Review Commission staff's objections to two proposed rules, 04 NCAC 02S .0212 and 04 NCAC 02S .1006. The amended rules with the updated changes go before the Rules Review Commission for their consideration at their meeting Thursday.

ABOUT THE ABC COMMISSION

North Carolina is one of 19 states to regulate alcohol through a control system. Since 1937, the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission has provided regulation and control over the sale, purchase, transportation, manufacture, consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages in the state of North Carolina. The Commission oversees more than 25,000 permits allowing alcohol sales by more than 17,000 retail outlets across the state.

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