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## **NC ABC COMMISSION TAKES ACTION ON 69 HEARING CASES, APPROVES FIRST ABC STORE FOR WINGATE**

RALEIGH – During its regular monthly meeting today, the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission took action on 69 hearing cases.

The Commission also heard a request from the chair of the Wingate ABC Board, and with the recommendation of Commission staff, approved the first ABC store proposed for Wingate. The store, which will be leased by the Wingate ABC Board, is to be located at 4104, Highway 74, Wingate.

In its rulings, the Commission imposed penalties and fines of approximately \$83,000 on representatives of retail bars, restaurants, groceries and clubs found to be in violation of ABC laws and rules. 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 December 30, 2011 with suspensions beginning January 6, 2012. Fines benefit the local school systems where the violations occurred.

Commissioner A.D. "Zander" Guy served as acting chair for the proceedings, which also included official action by Commissioner Daniel L. Briggs. All votes were unanimous.

In other business, the Commission adopted two rules (04 NCAC 2R .0802 and 04 NCAC 2S .1008) and directed that they be submitted to the Rules Review Commission for consideration.

### **ABOUT THE NC 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. The Commission oversees more than 25,000 permits allowing alcohol sales by more than 17,000 retail outlets across the state and applies its regulatory authority to benefit public health, public safety and fair commercial regulation of alcohol products. For more information see <http://abc.nc.gov>.

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