GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA **SESSION 2007**

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HOUSE BILL 2036

Short Title: Adjust Excise Taxes on Spirituous Liquor. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Luebke.

Referred to: Finance.

May 10, 2007

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 2 AN ACT TO ADJUST THE EXCISE TAX ON SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR BASED ON 3

THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTENT OF THE SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR

BEING TAXED.

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The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 105-113.80(c) reads as rewritten:

- Liquor. An excise tax of twenty five percent (25%) is levied on liquor sold in ABC stores. An excise tax of twenty-five percent (25%) is levied on liquor with an alcoholic beverage content of forty percent (40%) or less alcohol by volume. An excise tax of thirty-five percent (35%) is levied on liquor with an alcoholic beverage content of forty-one percent (41%) alcohol by volume to seventy-nine percent (79%) alcohol by volume. An excise tax of fifty percent (50%) is levied on liquor with an alcoholic beverage content of eighty percent (80%) or more alcohol by volume. Pursuant to G.S. 18B-804(b), the price of liquor on which this tax is computed is the distiller's price
- 15 plus (i) the State ABC warehouse freight and bailment charges, and (ii) a markup for

local ABC boards." 16

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.