## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1991 SESSION

## CHAPTER 565 HOUSE BILL 989

AN ACT TO PROVIDE A SEPARATE ABC PERMIT FOR HOTELS CHOOSING TO OFFER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE SALES FROM LOCKED CABINETS IN GUEST ROOMS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 18B-1001 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

- "(12) Guest Room Cabinet Permit. A guest room cabinet permit authorizes a hotel having a mixed beverages permit to sell to its room guests, from securely locked cabinets, malt beverages, unfortified wine, fortified wine, and spirituous liquor. A permittee shall designate and maintain at least ten percent (10%) of the permittee's guest rooms as rooms that do not have a guest room cabinet. A permittee may dispense alcoholic beverages from a guest room cabinet only in accordance with written policies and procedures filed with and approved by the Commission. A permitee shall provide a reasonable number of vending machines, coolers or similar machines on premises for the sale of soft drinks to hotel guests."
- Sec. 2. G.S. 18B-902(d) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:
- "(29) Guest room cabinet permit. \$750.00."
- Sec. 3. G.S. 18B-903(b) reads as rewritten:
- "(b) Renewal. Application for renewal of an ABC permit shall be on a form provided by the Commission. An application for renewal shall be accompanied by an application fee of twenty-five percent (25%) of the original application fee set in G.S. 18B-902, except that the renewal application fee for a-each mixed beverages permit and each guest room cabinet permit shall be five hundred dollars (\$500.00). A renewal fee shall not be refundable."
  - Sec. 4. G.S. 18B-804(b) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:
  - "(9) If the spirituous liquor is sold to a guest room cabinet permittee for resale, a charge of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) on each four liters and a proportional sum on lesser quantities."
  - Sec. 5. G.S. 18B-404(d) reads as rewritten:
- "(d) Size of Bottles. A purchase-transportation permit for a mixed beverages permittee shall authorize the purchase and transportation only of 750 milliliter or larger containers. A purchase-transportation permit for a mixed beverages permittee who is also a guest room cabinet permittee may authorize the purchase and transportation of containers in sizes approved by the Commission."

Sec. 6. G.S. 18B-1007(b)(1) reads as rewritten:

- "(1) Store any other spirituous liquor with liquor possessed for resale in mixed beverages; beverages or from a guest room cabinet;"
- Sec. 7. This act applies to those counties subject to G.S. 18B-600(f). This act also applies to those counties which have a population in excess of 150,000 by the last federal census.
  - Sec. 8. This act becomes effective October 1, 1991.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 4th day of July, 1991.

James C. Gardner President of the Senate

Daniel Blue, Jr. Speaker of the House of Representatives