

April 8, 2003

**H 920. ABC AVAILABILITY IN NORTH CAROLINA.** *TO PROVIDE THAT THE AVAILABILITY OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES SHOULD BE UNIFORM THROUGHOUT NORTH CAROLINA.* Provides that Alcoholic Beverage Comm'n may issue permits to qualified applicants throughout the state, effective Jan. 1, 2005. Local governments may opt out of this provision by passing a prohibition resolution by Oct. 1, 2004. Once a local governing body has voted to prohibit the issuance of permits within its jurisdiction, the Comm'n shall not be authorized to issue permits within the jurisdiction unless the residents vote to allow it to do so. Permits issued by the Comm'n before June 30, 2004, shall remain in effect even if the local governing body passes a prohibition resolution.

**Intro. by Sutton.**

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