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Comments=I support the proposed rule issued in March 2003 by the Tax and Trade Bureau that outlines the alcohol content that requirements in order for flavored malt beverages to be classified as beer. The adoption of the TTB 0.5 by volume standard would ensure the integrity of beer and the entire brewing industry. Also, equating beer and beverages that derive a majority of their alcohol contents from distilled spirits could weaken the important distinctions between beer and products with higher alcohol content. Beer is not a Spirit, and beer is not a Fortified Wine. It is important that consumer continue to know what they are drinking. Thank You. Jay Calhoun Sales Manager Illinois Dist.