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Comments=I support the proposed rule issued in March 2003 by the Tax and Trade Bureau(TTB) that outlines the guidelines on alcohol content requirements in order for flavored malt beverages(FMB)to be classified as beer. Adoption of the TTB 0.5 by volume standard would ensure the integrity of beer and the brewing process.

Moreover, equating beer and beverages that derive a majority of the alcohol content from distilled spirits could weaken the important distinctions between beer and product with higher alcohol contents. Beer

is not spirits. Beer is not fortified wine. Beer consumers need to know what they are consuming.