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William H. Foster, Chief
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Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau
Attn: Notice No. 41
PO Box 14412
Washington, DC 20044-4412

Dear Sir:

I write in regard to Notice No. 41 where the TTB is seeking public comment on whether additional labeling requirements should be allowed to current alcohol product labels.

It is my understanding that current regulations provide for different labeling standards between, beer, wine, and distilled spirits. I believe providing basic consumer information is necessary so that consumers may make informed choices about what they are imbibing.

On beverages containing alcohol, I support standard labeling between the different types of beverages, including the disclosure of other information such as calories, fat and protein content, allergens and other ingredients on a by volume basis.

I encourage the TTB to adopt regulations that permit uniform labeling for beer, wine, and distilled spirits. In the meantime, I am amenable to the TTB allowing distilled spirit manufacturers to voluntarily provide the above mentioned nutritional information in a clear and non-misleading manner as prescribed by the TTB as the rulemaking process proceeds.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best wishes,



Jason Allen
State Senator

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