A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL COMMISSION TO ALLOW CERTAIN SALES DURING THE CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding G.S. 18B-1001(10), G.S. 18B-1001.4, and any other provision of law to the contrary, the Chairman of the ABC Commission may allow permittees with a permit issued under G.S. 18B-1001(10) to engage in retail sales for consumption off the premises, including delivery by the permittee or the permittee's employee or independent contractor. The Chairman may also allow permittees with a permit issued under G.S. 18B-1001.4, or the permittee's employee or independent contractor, to deliver products prepared by a permittee with a permit issued under G.S. 18B-1001(10). The Chairman may prescribe the terms and conditions under which sales and deliveries shall be allowed under this section but shall at least require that products sold or delivered under this section shall be:

1. Packaged in a container with a secure lid or cap and in a manner designed to prevent consumption without removal of the lid or cap.
2. Sold only with food.
3. Limited to two servings per meal or food item ordered.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the ABC Commission the sum of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2019-2020 fiscal year to be used to cover costs incurred by the Commission in implementing the provisions of this act.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law. Section 1 of this act expires on the date that Executive Order No. 116, Declaration of a State of Emergency to Coordinate Response and Protective Actions to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19, expires or is rescinded.