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Comments=I support Option #2: Requiring that products labeled and taxed as Malt Beverages should derive at least 51% of their alcohol content from a Malt base.

This would result in a much lessor burden on the breweries making these products than option #1. At the same time, it would prevent the misuse of this category to avoid taxation under the higher Spirits tax rates.