

Club Liquors
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Chief
Regulations and Procedures Division
Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau
Washington, D.C. 20091-0221
RE: TTB Notice No.4

Dear Sir/Madam:

America is living in a precarious time. Our unemployment rates are the rise, our deficit is on the rise, and our overall economic success is falling.. At a time like this, our government needs to be finding ways to reduce our economic burdens so that we may thrive as a nation. Passing new regulations like the ones proposed for flavored malt beverages will not make this happen.

The new rules would shut down the flavored malt beverage product line of most manufacturers. The producers that were still able to get their drinks onto the shelves of retail establishments would certainly not see those drinks pass back out of the convenience store doors. The taxes would be too high for anyone to afford them.

As a government official, it is your duty to make sure that your taxpayers are treated fairly and not victimized. Because of that, it is imperative that you oppose this rules change. It. is nothing less than victimization of an entire industry.

Sincerely,

Mike Hanoun

