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RE: TTB NOTICE NUMBER FOUR

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To Whom It May Concern:

Something is fundamentally wrong when big government proposes regulations that would hurt little people who are already struggling. The proposed rules change from the TTB would do exactly that for small retailers who depend on sales of flavored malt beverages. I urge you to shine the light of common sense on this and vote against the proposed regulation.

We operate a retail establishment in Texas that depends on sales of flavored malt beverages. They are popular products and a significant portion of our revenues. The proposed new regulations would sabotage this family of products by making it impossible to produce or too costly to sell. That will hurt the industry, but more importantly, it will hurt my business at the retail level.

Please support the people who buy and sell flavored malt beverages and prevent what would be a disastrous change in policy for this industry. I appreciate your time and attention to my letter.

Sincerely Yours,

