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Chief
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Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau
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RE: TTB Notice Number Four

To Whom It May Concern:

I must wonder if the government is trying to bring prohibition back through the back door with the proposed regulatory changes on flavored malt beverages. Flavored malt beverages are among the most popular products we sell. The proposed changes will remove such products from my shelves, however, thus having the effect of allowing the government choose for me what products I stock and choosing for my customers what products they will buy. This is simply unacceptable.

This seems like an attempt by the government to run me right out of business. And when all outlets like mine are gone, the major tax revenues generated by businesses like mine will also be gone. We will be virtually a dry' nation!

I thought history would teach us that the kind of regulation the flavored malt beverage proposal represents is bad for the country. The costs in loss of many retail business, employment opportunities, and tax revenues would be staggering to our national economy. This is not the kind of thing we can afford right now. Please reject the rules change. It's very bad news.

Sincerely,

