

**HB1213/483422/1**

BY: Delegate Hough

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1213, AS AMENDED  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1 of the Committee on Ways and Means Amendments (HB1213/385160/1), in line 2 of Amendment No. 1, strike “Supplementary Appropriation” and substitute “Rate and Study”; strike beginning with “making” in line 4 down through “improvements;” in line 6 and substitute “requiring the Department of Business and Economic Development to conduct a certain study on the effect of the increase of the sales and use tax rate on alcoholic beverages on employment and small businesses in the State; requiring the Department to submit a certain report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the effective dates of this Act; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act;”; and in line 7, strike “and a supplementary appropriation”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

In the Committee on Ways and Means Amendments, strike Amendment No. 3 in its entirety.

On page 2 of the bill, after line 5, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) The Department of Business and Economic Development shall conduct a study on the effect of the increase of the sales and use tax rate on alcoholic beverages on employment and small businesses in the State.

(b) On or before December 1, 2011, the Department of Business and Economic Development shall report, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State

(Over)

Government Article, to the General Assembly on the findings of the study conducted under subsection (a) of this section.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall take effect July 1, 2012.”;

in line 6, strike “2.” and substitute “4.”; after “That” insert “, except as provided in Section 3 of this Act,”; and in line 7, after “2011.” insert “Section 2 of this Act shall remain effective for a period of 6 months and, at the end of December 31, 2011, with no further action required by the General Assembly, Section 2 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.”.