

## Cooper Appoints ABC Chair

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Governor Roy Cooper appointed Hank Bauer to be the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission (NC ABC Commission) Chairman . “Hank Bauer has over thirty years of valuable experience in the industry,” said Governor Cooper. “He will be an asset to the ABC Commission and I am grateful for his willingness to serve.”

Hank Bauer is a former General Manager at Empire Distributors, where he also served as the Director of Sales and On-Premise Director. He was previously the North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia District Manager for Boston Beer Company and a District Manager and Sales Representative for Blue Ridge Beverage. Bauer earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Western Carolina University.

The NC ABC Commission controls the sale, purchase, transportation, manufacture, consumption and possession of all alcoholic beverages in the state.