

**January 24, 2001**

**S 1. 2001 SENATE RULES. ADOPTING THE PERMANENT RULES OF THE SENATE FOR THE REGULAR SESSIONS OF THE 2001 GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA.**

Substantially similar to the rules of the 1999 Session, with the following differences. Deletes former Rule 9 (permitted the Presiding Officer, while in the Senate Chamber, to call on any member of the Senate to perform the duties of the Chair). Changes standing/select committee list in Rule 32 as follows: (1) adds new Appropriations on Information Technology subcommittee and Redistricting committee; (2) changes name of "Insurance" committee to "Insurance and Consumer Protection" and changes "Appropriations on Human Services" to "Appropriations on Health and Human Services"; and (3) deletes select committee on Tobacco Settlement Issues. Modifications of Rules 40.1 and 41

provide the following deadlines for introduction and crossover: (1) local bills must be filed for introduction not later than 3/14/2001 (bills filed by 4pm on that date with Bill Drafting must be filed for introduction before 3pm on 3/21/2001); (2) public bills and resolutions must be filed for introduction not later than 3/28/2001 (bills filed by 4pm on that date with Bill Drafting must be filed for introduction before 3pm on 4/4/2001); and (3) to be considered in 2001 or 2002, bills must crossover from the House no later than 4/26/2001. Modifies Rule 53 (effect of defeated measure) to provide that if a substitute amendment is adopted on the floor, the contents of the previously pending amendment not contained in the substitute shall be considered to have been defeated. Provides that Rule 29, subsection (h) (Senators who wish to change their vote must make a motion on the same day of the vote) may not be suspended. Modifies subsection (i) of Rule 17 (general decorum) to prohibit Senators from operating wireless phones, pagers, or laptop computers on the floor during session, and to prohibit any other person from operating wireless communication devices that may be disruptive on the floor or in the gallery during session (rule formerly applied only to wireless phones). Makes gender-neutral language changes throughout, as well as other technical and conforming changes. Effective upon adoption.

**Intro. by Rand.**

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