April 1, 2009

H 990. PERMANENT HOUSE RULES. Filed 4/1/09. ADOPTING THE PERMANENT RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE 2009 REGULAR SESSION.

Differs from the temporary House rules, as amended by House Resolution 110, as follows: In Rule 1, provides that during January and February of 2009 (was, 2007), no sessions may be held on Friday.

Enacts a new Rule 1.1, Emergencies, to provide that in the event of a disaster, natural or otherwise, that precludes the General Assembly from meeting in the Legislative Building, the members will be notified by the Speaker where and when the House will convene.

In Rule 20, deletes that the electronic voting system is set to close automatically after the time to vote has expired. Provides that a "motion to recess" is coded as number (2) [was, (4)] on the motion code list used to identify the motions on which the vote is taken on the electronic voting system and renumbers motions (2)-(4) accordingly. Makes a technical change.

In Rule 26, prohibits the Speaker from appointing new members to committees or permanent subcommittees after April 15 (was, March 30) of an odd-numbered year, except to fill vacancies caused by the resignation, death, removal, or inability to serve of a member. Provides that a maximum of two chairs of a standing committee are entitled to vote (was, the chair must be a voting member) in a permanent subcommittee of the standing committee.

In Rule 27, adds the Pender/New Hanover Redistricting Committee to the list of standing committees and permanent subcommittees.

In Rule 34, provides that, whenever any resolution or bill is filed for introduction, it must be in a House bill jacket containing the number of copies designated by the Principal Clerk (was, 30 copies) and in the form designated by the Speaker.

In Rule 36, corrects the reference to subsection (b) [was, (c)] in the rule to indicate the procedure for placing a bill on the favorable calendar when a standing committee reports a bill without prejudice.

In Rule 50, changes the reference to Article 9 of GS Chapter 120 to Article 2 of GS Chapter 120C. Clarifies that designated employees of the General Assembly who have been issued identification tags as provided by this rule are allowed on the floor of the House during its session.

Also makes technical changes to Rule 5, Rule 19, Rule 41, Rule 42, and Rule 43.3. Intro. by Owens. **HOUSE RES**

April 7, 2009

H 990. PERMANENT HOUSE RULES. Filed 4/1/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Amends Rule 31.1(b) to extend the deadline for introducing bills that need not be re-referred to the Appropriations or Finance Committees under Rule 38 from 3:00 p.m. on April 8, to 1:00 p.m. on April 9, 2009.