

# **House Appropriations Committee**

## **Committee Rules**

**April 29, 2020**

1. Amendments may not spend net General Fund appropriations.
2. Amendments may not increase the overall amount of funds transferred to or from Coronavirus Relief Reserve.
3. A new spending item must identify a corresponding reduction in an existing item funded from the Coronavirus Relief Fund (Fund). Amendments cannot increase the overall appropriation to the Fund.
4. All proposed amendments that spend funds must:
  - a. Be for expenditures allowable under the CARES Act and the formal guidance issued by the US Department of Treasury outlining permissible uses of the federal Coronavirus Relief Fund payment; and
  - b. Be for nonrecurring purposes only.
5. Allowable uses of the federal Coronavirus Relief Fund established in the CARES Act include:
  - Necessary expenditures incurred due to public health emergency;
  - Costs not accounted for in the most recent State budget;
  - Costs incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020 and ends on December 30, 2020.
6. Members requesting amendments agree to waive confidentiality so they can be shared with the Cochairs and staff.
7. A signature will not be required on amendments, instead the requesting email to staff will be considered verification.