## North Carolina House of Representatives Appropriations Committee

## RULES FOR AREA COMMITTEE PROCEDURES

April 26, 2019

The following rules govern the eligibility of amendments to proposed committee reports:

- 1. Amendments must be offered by formal amendments.
- 2. Amendments cannot increase total spending within the proposed committee report.
- 3. Amendments can only affect appropriations within the departments, agencies, or programs within the jurisdiction of the committee and may not cause a change in another committee's appropriations.
- 4. Amendments cannot adjust salary and benefit appropriations for the departments, agencies, or programs within the committee report.
- 5. Amendments cannot spend reversions or include "shall not revert" or "carry forward" language.
- 6. Amendments cannot use nonrecurring reductions to fund recurring items.
- 7. Amendments cannot change the recurring and nonrecurring designation of funds.
- 8. Amendments cannot reduce or eliminate vacant positions (or the associated savings in the salary and benefits) in agency budgets beyond those included in the committee report.
- 9. Amendments cannot change substantive policy or law.
- 10. Amendments may not create or increase "management flexibility reductions."
- 11. Amendments may not affect agency or program transfers to other committees.
- 12. Amendments may not include fees or other Finance-related matters.