

**§ 143-318.14A. Legislative commissions, committees, and standing subcommittees.**

(a) Except as provided in subsection (e) below, all official meetings of commissions, committees, and standing subcommittees of the General Assembly (including, without limitation, joint committees and study committees), shall be held in open session. For the purpose of this section, the following also shall be considered to be "commissions, committees, and standing subcommittees of the General Assembly":

- (1) The Legislative Research Commission;
- (2) The Legislative Services Commission;
- (3) Repealed by Session Laws 2006-203, s. 93, effective July 1, 2007, and applicable to the budget for the 2007-2009 biennium and each subsequent biennium thereafter.
- (4) Repealed by Session Laws 2011-291, s. 2.50, effective June 24, 2011;
- (5) The Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations;
- (6) The Joint Legislative Commission [Committee] on Local Government;
- (7) Repealed by Session Laws 1997, c. 443, s. 12.30, effective August 28, 1997.
- (8) Repealed by Session Laws 2011-291, s. 2.50, effective June 24, 2011;
- (9) The Environmental Review Commission;
- (10) The Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee;
- (11) The Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee;
- (12) Repealed by Session Laws 2011-266, s.1.28(b), effective July 1, 2011 and Session Laws 2011-291, s. 2.50, effective June 24, 2011;
- (13) The Commission on Children with Special Needs;
- (14) Repealed by Session Laws 2011-291, s. 2.50, effective June 24, 2011;
- (15) The Agriculture and Forestry Awareness Study Commission; and
- (16) Repealed by Session Laws 2011-291, s. 2.50, effective June 24, 2011;
- (17) The standing Committees on Pensions and Retirement.

(b) Reasonable public notice of all meetings of commissions, committees, and standing subcommittees of the General Assembly shall be given. For purposes of this subsection, "reasonable public notice" includes, but is not limited to:

- (1) Notice given openly at a session of the Senate or of the House; or
- (2) Notice mailed or sent by electronic mail to those who have requested notice, and to the Legislative Services Office, which shall post the notice on the General Assembly web site.

G.S. 143-318.12 shall not apply to meetings of commissions, committees, and standing subcommittees of the General Assembly.

(c) A commission, committee, or standing subcommittee of the General Assembly may take final action only in an open meeting.

(d) A violation of this section by members of the General Assembly shall be punishable as prescribed by the rules of the House or the Senate.

(e) The following sections shall apply to meetings of commissions, committees, and standing subcommittees of the General Assembly: G.S. 143-318.10(e) and G.S. 143-318.11, G.S. 143-318.13 and G.S. 143-318.14, G.S. 143-318.16 through G.S. 143-318.17, and G.S. 166A-19.24. (1991, c. 694, s. 7; 1991 (Reg. Sess., 1992), c. 785, s. 4; c. 1030, s. 42; 1993, c. 321, s. 169.2(f); 1997-443, s. 12.30; 2003-374, s. 1; 2006-203, s. 93; 2011-266, s. 1.28(b); 2011-291, s. 2.50; 2020-3, s. 4.31(d).)