

**§ 120-36.13. Biennial work plan for evaluations and measurability assessments.**

(a) Plan. – Every odd-numbered year, the Committee, in consultation with the Director, shall adopt a biennial work plan for the Division. The Committee shall consider which programs or activities of a State agency, or programs and activities of a non-State entity conducted or provided using State funds, should be evaluated by the Division and included in the biennial work plan. The Committee shall also consider which proposed or existing State programs should be subject to measurability assessments and included in the biennial work plan. The Committee shall then review and adopt the biennial work plan. The Committee may amend the biennial work plan to add a new evaluation or measurability assessment or remove a planned evaluation or measurability assessment at any time during the biennium. The Division shall adhere to the biennial work plan, unless the Committee changes the biennial work plan to add a new evaluation or measurability assessment or remove a planned evaluation or measurability assessment.

The biennial work plan constitutes an information request and a drafting request made by the Committee cochair to legislative employees under Article 17 of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes. Any document prepared by a legislative employee pursuant to the biennial work plan becomes available to the public only as provided in G.S. 120-131. Any document prepared by an agency employee pursuant to a request under G.S. 120-131.1(a1) becomes available to the public only as provided in G.S. 120-131.

(b) Request. – A request to the Program Evaluation Division for an evaluation of a program or an activity of a State agency must be submitted by a member of the General Assembly. The Director shall assist the Committee cochair in developing a proposed biennial work plan based on suggestions for evaluations and measurability assessments submitted by members of the General Assembly to the cochair. (2007-78, s. 3; 2008-196, s. 1(a); 2012-80, s. 2; 2015-264, s. 68.5(a); 2018-101, s. 1.)