

North Carolina House of Representatives Appropriations Committee

RULES FOR CONSIDERING AMENDMENTS

August 10, 2021

If amendments are offered, then the following rules must be met in order to make the amendment eligible for consideration:

1. Amendments may not cause a change in more than one area committee's appropriations.
2. Amendments where money is being transferred among items within an area committee must clearly identify the items/programs that are being increased and decreased.
3. Nonrecurring reductions cannot be made to fund recurring additions.
4. Amendments that spend reversions or include "shall not revert" language are not allowed.
5. Amendments that increase or create new management flexibility reserves are not allowed.
6. Amendments that increase overall spending in the area committee budgets are not allowed.
7. Amendments are not allowed where funding for an item comes from Statewide Reserves.
8. Amendments may not include fees or other Finance-related matters.
9. Amendments cannot reduce or eliminate vacant positions (or the associated savings in the salary and benefits) in agency budgets beyond those included in the area committee report.
10. Amendments cannot change substantive policy or law.
11. Amendments that spend or otherwise adjust funds from the unappropriated General Fund balance, State Capital and Infrastructure Fund, State Emergency Response and Disaster Relief Fund, Lottery, or federal American Recovery Plan Act funding (including State Fiscal Recovery Fund) and other federal pandemic recovery legislation, are not allowed.
12. Amendment requests must be received by Bill Drafting by 11:00 a.m.
13. Each amendment must be printed on gray paper, signed by the member offering the amendment, and submitted to the Committee Clerk by 1:00 p.m. (The Committee Clerk will be located in LOB 613B and available to receive amendments starting at 11:00 a.m.)