

**North Carolina House of Representatives  
Appropriations Committee**

**2011 RULES FOR COMMITTEE PROCEDURES**

**APRIL 27, 2011**

The following rules govern the eligibility of amendments to Proposed Committee Substitute for House Bill 200:

1. Amendments cannot increase total spending within a subcommittee report beyond what the subcommittee adopted (House Rule 43(b)(1)).
2. Amendments can only affect appropriations within the departments, agencies, or programs within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee (House Rule 43(b)(2)).
3. Amendments cannot increase total spending beyond the total amount shown in the proposed committee report (House Rule 43(b)(3)).
4. Amendments that cause the budget to be unbalanced are not in order (House Rule 43(b)(4)).
5. Amendments cannot spend reversions (House Rule 43(b)(5)).
6. Amendments cannot make nonrecurring reductions to fund recurring items (House Rule 43(b)(6)).
7. Amendments cannot change substantive policy or law (House Rule 36.4).
8. Amendments cannot propose to include material not directly related to the budget. (House Rule 43(a))
9. Amendments cannot change the recurring or non-recurring designation of money items.
10. Amendments must be in writing, the original signed, with 150 copies available for distribution. The Sergeant-at-Arms will distribute copies only at the direction of the Chairs.
11. No documents may be distributed to members except by prior arrangement with the Chairs.
12. The House Budget Team will review amendments to make sure they are eligible for consideration. Eligible amendments will be heard after all of the subcommittee presentations have been made.
13. **To be considered, a proposed amendment (a) must have been requested from drafting staff by 12 noon or (b) if handwritten by a member, must have been logged in at the podium by 12 noon.**