

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE RESOLUTION 1

Sponsors: Representative Bell.

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1 A HOUSE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PERMANENT RULES OF THE 2026 FIRST
2 EXTRA SESSION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

3 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

4 **SECTION 1.** The permanent rules of the 2025 Regular Session of the House of
5 Representatives, with the following amendments, are adopted as the permanent rules of the 2026
6 First Extra Session:

7 (1) RULE 1 shall read as follows: "RULE 1. **Convening Hour.** The House shall
8 convene each legislative day at the hour fixed by the House. In the event the
9 House adjourns on the preceding legislative day without having fixed an hour
10 for reconvening, the House shall convene on the next legislative day at 9:00
11 A.M."

12 (2) Notwithstanding RULE 24.1B, no member may call for an amendment or bill
13 to be divided into two or more amendments or propositions, respectively, to
14 be voted on separately.

15 (3) Notwithstanding RULE 26, the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and
16 Operations of the House, the Finance Committee, and the Appropriations
17 Committee (not including the Appropriations Committees for budget-specific
18 areas) shall be comprised of the members who were appointed during the
19 Regular Session and other members as the Speaker may appoint at the
20 beginning of the First Extra Session. The Chairs and Vice-Chairs of those
21 committees shall be those who were appointed by the Speaker during the
22 Regular Session.

23 (4) Notwithstanding RULE 27, the standing committees of the House are:

- 24 a. Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
25 b. Appropriations
26 c. Finance

27 All rules of the 2025 Regular Session applicable to standing committees of
28 the House other than the committees named in this subdivision are
29 inoperative. The Speaker may appoint select committees and fill vacancies of
30 standing committees under RULE 26.

31 (5) Notwithstanding RULE 31(a), any bill or resolution shall be introduced by
32 submitting the bill or resolution to the Principal Clerk's Office.

33 (6) Notwithstanding RULES 31 and 31.1:

- 34 a. The only resolutions that may be introduced or considered in the
35 House are resolutions adjourning the 2026 First Extra Session sine die.



- b. All bills shall be excluded from introduction or consideration in the House, other than bills providing North Carolina consumers with price relief by discontinuing collection of the motor fuel tax on motor vehicle fuel purchases through November 30, 2026, by exempting from the motor fuel tax through December 31, 2026, the highway use of dyed diesel by certain users, and by holding harmless the programs and fund sources that receive such tax proceeds.
- (7) RULE 31.1 shall not apply to resolutions adjourning the 2026 First Extra Session sine die and bills providing North Carolina consumers with price relief by discontinuing collection of the motor fuel tax on motor vehicle fuel purchases through November 30, 2026, by exempting from the motor fuel tax through December 31, 2026, the highway use of dyed diesel by certain users, and by holding harmless the programs and fund sources that receive such tax proceeds.
- (8) Notwithstanding RULES 32 and 41, a resolution or bill may be placed on the calendar without being referred by the Speaker to a committee and on the same legislative day of its introduction or receipt from the Senate.
- (9) Notwithstanding RULE 36(b) and (b1), a bill reported favorably by a committee or received for concurrence may be placed on the favorable calendar on the same day it is reported and a proposed committee substitute does not have to be distributed electronically to committee members prior to being considered by the committee.
- (10) RULE 36.1A. RESERVED.
- (11) RULE 38. RESERVED.
- (12) Notwithstanding RULE 41:
- a. The first reading and reference, if any, to a standing committee of a House bill shall occur on the legislative day of its introduction. The first reading and reference, if any, to a standing committee of a Senate bill shall occur on the legislative day of its receipt on messages from the Senate. The Speaker shall give notice at each subsequent reading whether it is the second or third reading.
- b. Except for a bill governed by Section 23 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution, a bill may be read more than once on the same day.
- (13) RULE 43 shall read as follows: "RULE 43. **Amendments.** – (a) No amendment to a measure before the House shall be in order unless the amendment is germane to the measure under consideration. For purposes of this rule, an amendment is germane to the measure under consideration if it pertains to providing North Carolina consumers with price relief by discontinuing collection of the motor fuel tax on motor vehicle fuel purchases through November 30, 2026, by exempting from the motor fuel tax through December 31, 2026, the highway use of dyed diesel by certain users, and by holding harmless the programs and fund sources that receive such tax proceeds.

A House amendment deleting a previously adopted House amendment shall not be in order. No amendment that is clearly unconstitutional shall be in order.

Only one principal (first degree) amendment shall be pending at any one time. If a subsequent or substitute principal amendment shall be offered, the Speaker shall rule it out of order. However, any member desiring to offer a subsequent or substitute principal amendment in opposition to the pending amendment may inform the House by way of argument against the

pending amendment that if it is defeated the member proposes to offer another principal amendment, and the member may then read and explain such proposed amendment.

Perfecting (or second degree) amendments may be offered and considered without limitation as to number, and in the event of multiple perfecting amendments, they shall be voted upon in inverse order.

(b) The following rules apply when considering amendments that are germane to the measure under consideration:

(1) Amendments cannot increase total spending within the bill.

(2) Amendments cannot increase tax expenditures within the bill.

(3) Amendments cannot affect transfers to, or appropriations within, programs and fund sources so as to result in a deficiency in the hold harmless amount.

(c) When offering an amendment, the member shall deliver the signed original amendment to the Principal Clerk and a copy to the Chair of the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House."

(14) Notwithstanding RULE 44(d), a conference report may be placed on the calendar for the legislative day on which the report is received.

(15) Notwithstanding RULE 59:

a. These rules do not limit the number of members who may be listed as primary sponsors.

b. Any member wishing to cosponsor a bill or resolution that has been introduced may do so on the day during which the bill or resolution was first read and referred but only while the bill or resolution is in the possession of the House.

SECTION 2. This resolution is effective upon adoption.