# GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT & RELATED BILLS SPECIAL AMENDMENT DEADLINES & PROCEDURES PROPOSED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

January 18, 2024

The following report is submitted pursuant to Rules 7.11(b) and 12.2(c) for the purpose of establishing the procedures for filing committee and floor amendments to the General Appropriations bill and any related implementing and conforming legislation.

Amendment deadlines for both committee and floor amendments apply to all Members, including Members of the Appropriations Committee. As a reminder, the provisions of Rule 12.5 apply to bills and proposed committee bills considered in the Appropriations Committee and on the floor.

#### AMENDMENTS IN THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

No later than Friday, January 26, 2024, the Appropriations Committee will publish electronically the proposed General Appropriations bill, implementing bill, and conforming legislation to be considered at its meeting the following week.

All amendments to the proposed General Appropriations bill, implementing bill, and conforming legislation must be filed with the Appropriations Committee (Room 221, The Capitol) *no later than 4:30 p.m. on the business day before the Appropriations Committee meeting*, on the attached General Appropriations Amendment Input Form.

Member requests will be treated as timely filed if received before the relevant deadline.

The Appropriations Committee will file and publish the General Appropriations bill, the implementing bill, and conforming legislation, as amended, on Thursday, February 1, 2024, to be considered on the floor the following week. Members and staff will be notified via email when the bills are filed and published.

#### **FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

All floor amendments to the General Appropriations bill, implementing bill, and conforming legislation must be filed as described below.

#### Floor Amendments to the GAA

Because floor amendments to the General Appropriations bill cannot be filed through the Members' LEAGIS dashboard, the following special procedures apply to all floor amendments to the General Appropriations bill:

Main amendments to the General Appropriations bill must be filed with the Appropriations Committee (Room 221, The Capitol) by 9 a.m. on the business day before the bill is scheduled to be considered on Special Order on the attached General Appropriations Amendment Input Form. Packages of amendments for the General Appropriations bill will be available from the Appropriations Committee no later than 1 p.m. on that same day. Members and staff will be notified via email once the amendment package has been published.

Amendments to main amendments or substitute amendments for main floor amendments to the General Appropriations bill must be requested in the same manner as main amendments by 3 p.m. on that same day.

Member requests will be treated as timely filed if received before the relevant deadline.

Both committee amendments and floor amendments filed with the Appropriations Committee will be accepted only from the House Member who wishes to file the amendment or from an employee of the House. With the exception of amendments offered by the Chair of the Appropriations Committee, any such amendment request must be delivered by the Member or from an employee of the House, and accompanied by the written authorization of the sponsoring Member on the Member's letterhead. Email requests for amendments will not be accepted.

## Floor Amendments to the Implementing Bill and Conforming Legislation

Floor amendments to the implementing bill and conforming legislation must be filed with the House Bill Drafting office through the LEAGIS member dashboard and must be "approved for filing" by the usual deadlines required by House Rule 12.2.

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# **Appropriations Amendment Input Form**

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