

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2011
RATIFIED BILL**

**RESOLUTION 2011-2
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 17**

**A JOINT RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE JOINT REGULATORY REFORM
COMMITTEE.**

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

SECTION 1. Purpose. – There is hereby established the Joint Regulatory Reform Committee, hereinafter called the Committee, which shall work to create a strong environment for private sector job creation by lifting the undue burden imposed by outdated, unnecessary, and vague rules.

SECTION 2. Membership. – (a) The Committee consists of 18 members appointed as follows:

- (1) Nine members of the Senate appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, three of whom are members of the Senate Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources Committee and three of whom are members of the Senate Commerce Committee.
- (2) Nine members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, three of whom are members of the House Environment Committee and three of whom are members of the House Commerce and Job Development Committee.

SECTION 2.(b) Members serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority.

SECTION 3. Powers. – The Joint Regulatory Reform Committee has the following powers and duties:

- (1) Hold meetings and receive input from the public, regulated community, and agencies regarding outdated, unnecessary, unduly burdensome, or vague rules and rule-making procedures that are an impediment to private sector job creation.
- (2) Evaluate the reform suggestions presented during the public comment process and determine which warrant introduction and consideration during the 2011 Session of the General Assembly in 2011 or 2012.
- (3) Review the rule-making process to determine if the procedures for adopting rules give adequate consideration to the potential impact on job creation.
- (4) Report to the General Assembly concerning any recommendations for statutory changes.

SECTION 4. Consideration of recommendations. – Notwithstanding any rule or joint resolution to the contrary, proposed legislation to implement any recommendation of the Committee may be introduced and considered during the 2011 Regular Session of the General Assembly through sine die adjournment.

SECTION 5. Organization. – (a) The President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each designate cochairs of the Committee. The Committee shall meet upon the joint call of the cochairs.

SECTION 5.(b) A quorum of the Committee is eight members. No action may be taken except by a majority vote at a meeting at which a quorum is present.

SECTION 5.(c) While in the discharge of its official duties, the Committee has the powers of a joint committee under G.S. 120-19 and G.S. 120-19.1 through G.S. 120-19.4.

SECTION 5.(d) The Committee shall submit its final report by May 1, 2012.

SECTION 6. Expenses of members. – Members of the Committee receive subsistence and travel expenses as provided in G.S. 120-3.1. The Committee may meet in the



Legislative Building or the Legislative Office Building upon the approval of the Legislative Services Commission. The Committee may also meet at other locations.

SECTION 7. Staffing. – The Legislative Services Commission, through the Legislative Services Office, shall assign professional staff to assist the Committee in its work. Upon the direction of the Legislative Services Commission, the Directors of Legislative Assistants of the Senate and of the House of Representatives shall assign clerical staff to the Committee.

SECTION 8. This resolution is effective upon ratification and expires December 31, 2012.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 22nd day of February, 2011.

Walter H. Dalton
President of the Senate

Thom Tillis
Speaker of the House of Representatives