

**21 NCAC 56 .1203            HEARINGS**

- (a) Unless otherwise stated in a particular rulemaking notice, hearings before the Board shall be held in the Board office.
- (b) Presentations may not exceed 10 minutes unless, upon request, either before or at the hearing, the Board grants an extension of time, for a fuller explanation.
- (c) Upon receipt of a request to make an oral presentation the executive director shall acknowledge receipt of the request, and inform the person making the request of the imposition of any limitations deemed necessary to the end of a full and effective public hearing on the proposed rule.
- (d) Any person may file a written submission containing data, comments or arguments after publication of a rulemaking notice as allowed by G.S. 150B-21.2(f). Written submissions, except when otherwise stated in the particular rulemaking notice, shall be sent to the Board. Such submissions shall clearly state the proposed rule(s) to which the comments are addressed.
- (e) Upon receipt of such written comments, prompt acknowledgment shall be made by the Board.
- (f) The presiding officer at the hearing shall have complete control of the proceedings, including extensions of any time requirements, recognition of speakers, time allotments for presentations, direction of the flow of the discussion and the management of the hearing. The presiding officer, at all times, shall take care that each person participating in the hearing is given a fair opportunity to present views, data and comments.
- (g) A record of all rulemaking proceedings shall be maintained at the Board's office.

*History Note:    Authority G.S. 89C-10; 150B-21.2;  
                         Eff. February 1, 1976;  
                         Readopted Eff. September 29, 1977;  
                         Amended Eff. August 1, 2000; August 1, 1998; April 1, 1989; January 1, 1982;  
                         Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. April 27,  
                         2019.*