

Burgos, Alexander N

Subject: FW: [External] Re: NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners - Rules for August 2026 RRC Meeting

Attachments: 21 NCAC 03 .0101 v3.docx; 21 NCAC 03 .0102 v3.docx; 21 NCAC 03 .0201 v2.docx; 21 NCAC 03 .0202 v2.docx; 21 NCAC 03 .0301 v2.docx; 21 NCAC 03 .0302 v2.docx; 21 NCAC 03 .0303 v2.docx; 21 NCAC 03 .0304 v4.docx; 21 NCAC 03 .0310 v2.docx; 21 NCAC 03 .0401 v2.docx; 21 NCAC 03 .0501 v2.docx

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Sorry – one last change. I added the CFR info to rule 03 .0304. The attached versions will be used.
Thanks,
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Paola,

Thanks for this. I am good with the changes. The attached versions of the revised rules will be used for the RRC meeting, and I anticipate recommending approval.

Let me know if you have any questions before the meeting on the 27th.

Best,
Chris

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History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-528; 90-529; 90-530;

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9 *History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 93B-2;*

10 *Eff. July 1, 2012;*

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(c) Licensed athletic trainers who fail to document sufficient appropriate continuing education to renew their licenses shall be notified in writing of the deficiency and shall be allowed 45 days to respond. Continuing education may not be undertaken during this period to supplement the deficiency. The licenses of athletic trainers who fail to respond within the 45-day period, or who are unable to provide sufficient continuing education shall lapse and be subject to the lapsed license requirements set forth in 21 NCAC 03 .0303.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-533;

Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;

Eff. May 1, 1999;

Amended Eff. January 1, 2007;

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21 NCAC 03 .0303 LAPSED LICENSE

(a) The lapsed license may be renewed within a period of five years after expiration upon payment of the lapsed license fee pursuant to 21 NCAC 03 .0201 and the completion of 25 contact hours of continuing education for each year that the license has lapsed.

(b) A license that has lapsed for more than five years shall be renewed upon payment of the lapsed license fee pursuant to 21 NCAC 03 .0201 and the completion of 28 contact hours of continuing education for each year that the license has lapsed.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-532; 90-533;

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The Board shall approve any of the following programs or courses:

- (1) Those provided by a college or university that is accredited and legally authorized to grant academic degrees.
- (2) Those sponsored by the North Carolina Athletic Trainers' Association.
- (3) Those that the Board determines as otherwise satisfying the course and program ~~is satisfied meet~~ ~~the requirement—requirements if~~ of G.S. 90-533.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-533;

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3 **21 NCAC 03 .0310 ARMED SERVICES EXTENSION FOR CREDENTIAL**

4 Upon receipt of a written request by or on behalf of a licensed athletic trainer who is currently in good standing with
5 the Board, is serving in the armed forces of the United States, and to whom G.S. ~~105-249~~ 105-249.2 authorizes an
6 extension of time to file a tax return, the Board shall postpone renewal fees, renewal application deadlines, continuing
7 education ~~requirements~~ requirements, and any other requirements or conditions related to the maintenance of the
8 credential issued by the Board or to the renewal thereof for the same period of time as the extended period of time to
9 file a tax return that is granted pursuant to G.S. 93B-15.

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11 *History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 93B-15;*

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21 NCAC 03 .0401 DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Board disciplinary actions may include the following:

- (1) Reprimand. Reprimand is a public rebuke for misconduct as an athletic trainer.
- (2) Restriction. Restriction is a stay of suspension or revocation allowing limited practice within conditions stipulated by the Board.
- (3) Suspension. Suspension is the withdrawal of the privilege to practice for a specified time.
- (4) Revocation. Revocation is the withdrawal of the privilege to practice as a licensed athletic trainer in the State of North Carolina.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-536;
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21 NCAC 03 .0501 is readopted with changes as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

21 NCAC 03 .0501 MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

The practice protocol for each athletic trainer pursuant to G.S. 90-523(2) shall be ~~a general~~ an outline of practices for which the athletic trainer has been trained and shall be individualized to accommodate the skills of the athletic trainer.

The practice protocol shall not allow the athletic trainer to undertake medical diagnosis or to prescribe or dispense prescription drugs or prescription devices. The practice protocol shall not allow the athletic trainer to independently provide treatments for athletes with fractures, head or spinal injuries, or other serious medical conditions, except the athletic trainer may render appropriate first aid or emergency care. The protocol shall specify provisions for physician involvement in the event of serious injuries. The athletic trainer and the physician shall sign and file a statement with the North Carolina Medical Board agreeing to abide by the protocol. The format of the protocol shall be typewritten on letter size paper.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-523; 90-525;

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From: NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners <executivedirector@ncbate.org>
Sent: Monday, August 10, 2026 2:45 PM
To: Miller, Christopher S
Cc: Burgos, Alexander N
Subject: Re: [External] Re: NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners - Rules for August 2026 RRC Meeting
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Thank you,

Attached are the new documents for your review and comments below in red.

Please let me know if you need any further clarification or edits.

Paola Learoyd Gibbs

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On Fri, Aug 7, 2026 at 12:26 PM Miller, Christopher S <christopher.miller@oah.nc.gov> wrote:

Paola,

I have a few additional questions and comments for you. Please see below. When making any further rule changes, please use the attached versions (I made some small formatting changes for you).

General Rule Formatting

Each individual rule for review should be submitted as its own document. I have divided up the rules for you.

Form 0400; Field 9B

So just to confirm, NCBATE initially readopted these rules in February 2026 but missed the 30-day deadline to submit them to OAH for RRC review. NCBATE then re-approved the readoptions on June 10, 2026, and is now submitting them to the RRC for review. Is my understanding correct? **Yes, this is correct.**

21 NCAC 03 .0101

- **(a)(2), line 9:** Please change “N.C. Gen. Stat. §93B-8.1(b)” to “G.S. 93B-8.1(b)”. Otherwise, this looks good to me.
- **(a)(3), line 11:** What does “substantially similar” mean in this context? Consider using other words that explain how to know what is substantial. **Is striking out substantially ok here? I believe it's more clear without it.**

21 NCAC 03 .0102

Lines 6-7: Please change “N.C. Gen. Stat. §93B-8.1(b)” to “G.S. 93B-8.1(b)”. Otherwise, this looks good to me.

21 NCAC 03 .0103

Is there a reason why you’ve now added this rule to the submission? That rule appears to have expired in 2019. It cannot be readopted. - **It was submitted erroneously**

21 NCAC 03 .0301

- I removed the added “(a)” on line 6. You do not need it. There is no (b) paragraph that follows.

- **(1)-(5):** I added semi-colons to the end, where applicable.

21 NCAC 03 .0304

Apologies for not being clear in my last comment. As discussed, it sounds like this rule may not be necessary given that the Board doesn't use it in practice. However, since you originally published this rule as a re-adoption without substantial change, you cannot now repeal it at this point in the rulemaking process. This would be inconsistent with the notice and comment requirements of the APA and would likely fall into G.S. 150B-21.2(g)(3).

In my opinion, the best option for moving forward would be to continue with the readoption and to make a few clarifying edits to the rule per my original requests. This would include:

- **For (1):** This could be clarified by edits such as: "Those provided by a college or university that is accredited and legally authorized to grant academic degrees."
- **For (3):** Change "requirement" to "requirements" and "if" to "of".
- **For (3):** Clarify what you mean by "... meet the requirements of G.S. 90-533." This could be done by instead saying something like, "Those that the Board determines as otherwise satisfying the course and program requirements of G.S. 90-533(b) or G.S. 90-533(c)." Feel free to revise based on your intent behind the rule. **I am more clear now to your point on this rule and it referencing it back to 90-533 makes the most sense in the Board's work.**

Afterwards, assuming the rule is approved by the RRC, you could then later publish the rule as a proposed repeal if you still believe that the rule is not needed.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

Chris

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On Wed, Aug 5, 2026 at 11:06 AM Miller, Christopher S <christopher.miller@oah.nc.gov> wrote:

Good morning, Paola. Please see my responses inserted into your email below in **red** text.

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Thank you for guidance and recommendations.

I have a couple of questions and comments which I will list below for ease:

1. In my intro statement what is the NCR information I must include?

You need to include the volume, issue, and page number of the Register where the rule was originally published. So, for example, your intro statement for rule 21 NCAC 03 .0202 would read as: "21 NCAC 03 .0202 is readopted as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:". Please also see another example at <https://www.oah.nc.gov/documents/rules/permanent-readoption-changes-publication-published-necessary-without-substantive-changes-0/download?attachment>.

2. Regarding 21 NCAC 03. 0304 - The Board does actively approve programs or courses for universities or the Association. I am not sure how to clarify this further as it's not a practice they are engaged in. Please advise.

Has the Board done this in the past and will it do this in the future? If the Board does not use this rule, you should consider repealing it. It sounds like the rule may not be necessary. If you plan to keep the rule, you should clarify the process with the Board.

Thank you again, and I look forward to hearing from you.

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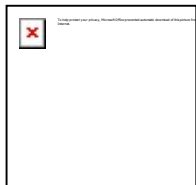
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Hello,

I'm the staff attorney who reviewed the rules submitted by the NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners for the August 2026 RRC meeting. The RRC will formally review these rules at its meeting on Thursday, August 27, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be a hybrid of in-person and WebEx attendance, and an evite should be sent to you as we get close to the meeting. If there are any other representatives from your agency who want to attend virtually, please let me know prior to the meeting, and we will get evites out to them as well.

Attached is my Request for Changes pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.10. Please submit the responses, forms, and revised rules to me via email, no later than **5 p.m. on August 14, 2026.**

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(c) Licensed athletic trainers who fail to document sufficient appropriate continuing education to renew their licenses shall be notified in writing of the deficiency and shall be allowed 45 days to respond. Continuing education may not be undertaken during this period to supplement the deficiency. The licenses of athletic trainers who fail to respond within the 45-day period, or who are unable to provide sufficient continuing education shall lapse and be subject to the lapsed license requirements set forth in 21 NCAC 03 .0303.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-533;

Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;

Eff. May 1, 1999;

Amended Eff. January 1, 2007;

Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. April 27, 2019.

Readopted Eff. September 1, 2026.

21 NCAC 03 .0303 is readopted with changes as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

21 NCAC 03 .0303 LAPSED LICENSE

(a) The lapsed license may be renewed within a period of five years after expiration upon payment of the lapsed license fee pursuant to 21 NCAC 03 .0201 and the completion of 25 contact hours of continuing education for each year that the license has lapsed.

(b) A license that has lapsed for more than five years shall be renewed upon payment of the lapsed license fee pursuant to 21 NCAC 03 .0201 and the completion of 28 contact hours of continuing education for each year that the license has lapsed.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-532; 90-533;

Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;

Eff. May 1, 1999;

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Readopted Eff. September 1, 2026.

21 NCAC 03 .0304 is readopted with changes as published in #:# NCR # as follows:

21 NCAC 03 .0304 BOARD APPROVAL OF COURSES

The Board shall approve any of the following programs or courses:

- (1) Those provided by a college or university that is accredited and legally authorized to grant academic degrees.
- (2) Those sponsored by the North Carolina Athletic Trainers' Association.
- (3) Those that the Board determines as otherwise satisfying the course and program ~~is satisfied meet~~ ~~the requirement—requirements if~~ of G.S. 90-533.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-533;

Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;

Eff. May 1, 1999;

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Readopted Eff. September 1, 2026.

1 21 NCAC 03 .0310 is readopted with changes as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

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3 **21 NCAC 03 .0310 ARMED SERVICES EXTENSION FOR CREDENTIAL**

4 Upon receipt of a written request by or on behalf of a licensed athletic trainer who is currently in good standing with
5 the Board, is serving in the armed forces of the United States, and to whom G.S. ~~105-249~~ 105-249.2 authorizes an
6 extension of time to file a tax return, the Board shall postpone renewal fees, renewal application deadlines, continuing
7 education ~~requirements~~ requirements, and any other requirements or conditions related to the maintenance of the
8 credential issued by the Board or to the renewal thereof for the same period of time as the extended period of time to
9 file a tax return that is granted pursuant to G.S. 93B-15.

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11 *History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 93B-15;*

12 *Eff. July 1, 2012;*

13 *Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. April 27,*
14 *2019.*

15 *Readopted Eff. September 1, 2026.*
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Burgos, Alexander N

Subject: FW: [External] Re: NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners - Rules for August 2026 RRC Meeting

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Paola,

I have a few additional questions and comments for you. Please see below. When making any further rule changes, please use the attached versions (I made some small formatting changes for you).

General Rule Formatting

Each individual rule for review should be submitted as its own document. I have divided up the rules for you.

Form 0400; Field 9B

So just to confirm, NCbate initially readopted these rules in February 2026 but missed the 30-day deadline to submit them to OAH for RRC review. NCbate then re-approved the readoptions on June 10, 2026, and is now submitting them to the RRC for review. Is my understanding correct?

21 NCAC 03 .0101

- **(a)(2), line 9:** Please change “N.C. Gen. Stat. §93B-8.1(b)” to “G.S. 93B-8.1(b)”. Otherwise, this looks good to me.
- **(a)(3), line 11:** What does “substantially similar” mean in this context? Consider using other words that explain how to know what is substantial.

21 NCAC 03 .0102

Lines 6-7: Please change “N.C. Gen. Stat. §93B-8.1(b)” to “G.S. 93B-8.1(b)”. Otherwise, this looks good to me.

21 NCAC 03 .0103

Is there a reason why you’ve now added this rule to the submission? That rule appears to have expired in 2019. It cannot be readopted.

21 NCAC 03 .0301

- I removed the added “(a)” on line 6. You do not need it. There is no (b) paragraph that follows.

- **(1)-(5):** I added semi-colons to the end, where applicable.

21 NCAC 03 .0304

Apologies for not being clear in my last comment. As discussed, it sounds like this rule may not be necessary given that the Board doesn't use it in practice. However, since you originally published this rule as a re-adoption without substantial change, you cannot now repeal it at this point in the rulemaking process. This would be inconsistent with the notice and comment requirements of the APA and would likely fall into G.S. 150B-21.2(g)(3).

In my opinion, the best option for moving forward would be to continue with the readoption and to make a few clarifying edits to the rule per my original requests. This would include:

- **For (1):** This could be clarified by edits such as: "Those provided by a college or university that is accredited and legally authorized to grant academic degrees."
- **For (3):** Change "requirement" to "requirements" and "if" to "of".
- **For (3):** Clarify what you mean by "... meet the requirements of G.S. 90-533." This could be done by instead saying something like, "Those that the Board determines as otherwise satisfying the course and program requirements of G.S. 90-533(b) or G.S. 90-533(c)." Feel free to revise based on your intent behind the rule.

Afterwards, assuming the rule is approved by the RRC, you could then later publish the rule as a proposed repeal if you still believe that the rule is not needed.

Let me know if you have any questions.

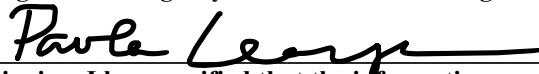
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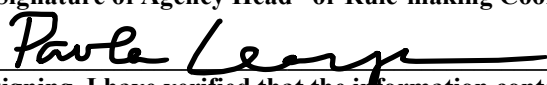
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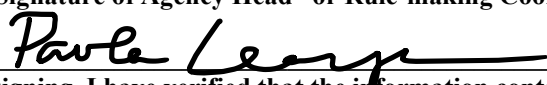
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2. Rule citation & name (name not required for repeal): 21 NCAC 03.0101 Application For Licensure	
3. Action: ☐ ADOPTION ☐ AMENDMENT ☐ REPEAL ☒ READOPTION ☐ REPEAL through READOPTION	
4. Rule exempt from RRC review? ☐ Yes. Cite authority: ☒ No	5. Rule automatically subject to legislative review? ☐ Yes. Cite authority: ☒ No
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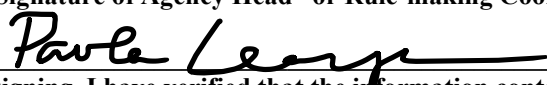
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2. Rule citation & name (name not required for repeal): 21 NCAC 03.0102 Good Moral Character	
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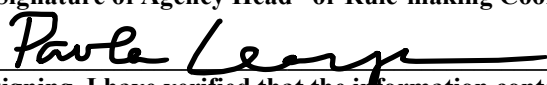
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2. Rule citation & name (name not required for repeal): 21 NCAC 03.0201 Fees	
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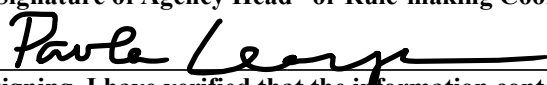
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2. Rule citation & name (name not required for repeal): 21 NCAC 03. 0202 Suspension of Authority and Escrow of Funds	
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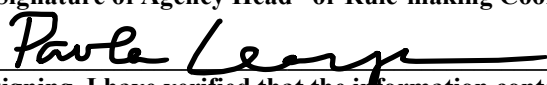
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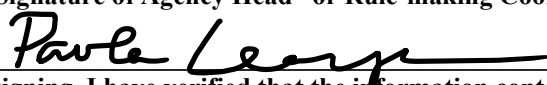
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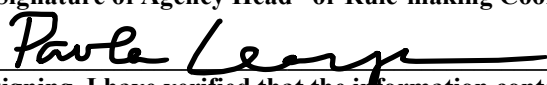
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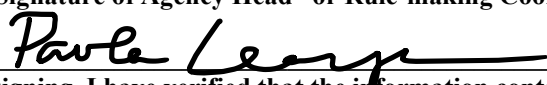
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2. Rule citation & name (name not required for repeal): 21 NCAC 03. 0310 Armed Services Extension for Credential	
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21 NCAC 03 .0101 APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE

(a) An application for licensure shall be completed on the forms provided by the Board and shall include:

- (1) Proof of having passed the examination administered by the Board of Certification, Inc., by enclosing a copy of the certification card.
- (2) Evidence of good moral character. "Good moral character" means a personal history of honesty, trustworthiness, fairness, a good reputation for fair dealings, and respect for the rights of others and for state and federal laws, subject to the requirements of N.C. Gen. Stat. §93B-8.1(b).
- (3) A copy of the diploma from a college or university in Sports Medicine or Athletic Training or a transcript showing the following courses of study or substantially similar courses of study: Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, Kinesiology/Biomechanics, Psychology, Exercise Physiology, Prevention of Athletic Injuries, Evaluation of Athletic Injuries, First Aid and Emergency Care, Therapeutic Modalities, Therapeutic Exercise, Personal Community Health, Nutrition and Administration of Athletic Training Programs.
- (4) The applicant's full name.
- (5) The applicant's address.
- (6) The applicant's employment history.
- (7) The applicant's current employment, address, and job title.
- (8) A current form of identification with photograph.
- (9) Official verification from the respective state boards of any other U.S. athletic training licenses held, both current and lapsed.

(b) The license issuance fee pursuant to 21 NCAC 03 .0201 shall accompany the application.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-528; 90-529; 90-530;

Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;

Eff. May 1, 1999;

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Amended Eff. April 1, 2023.

Readopted Eff. September 1, 2026.

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21 NCAC 03 .0102 GOOD MORAL CHARACTER

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SECTION .0200 - FEES

21 NCAC 03 .0201 FEES

(a) The following fees are payable to the Board by cash, check, or money order:

(1)	License issuance fee	\$200.00
(2)	License renewal fee	\$75.00
(3)	Reinstatement of lapsed license fee	\$100.00

(b) Copies of any public documents filed in the Board Office are available at the "actual cost" as defined in G.S. 132-6.2(b) for making the copy and the mailing cost if applicable. The Board shall provide its "actual cost" on the Board website.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-534;

Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;

Eff. May 1, 1999;

Amended Eff. August 1, 2012;

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Readopted Eff. September 1, 2026.

1 21 NCAC 03 .0202 is readopted as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

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3 **21 NCAC 03 .0202 SUSPENSION OF AUTHORITY AND ESCROW OF FUNDS**

4 The Board shall file the annual reports set forth in G.S. 93B-2 no later than October 31 of each year. In the event the
5 Board fails to file the reports as required by G.S. 93B-2 and the Board's authority to expend any funds is suspended
6 until such time as the Board files the required reports, the Board shall deposit any fees or funds received during the
7 period of suspension into an escrow account established by the Board solely for this purpose.

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9 *History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 93B-2;*

10 *Eff. July 1, 2012;*

11 *Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. April 27,*
12 *2019.*

13 *Readopted Eff. September 1, 2026.*
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21 NCAC 03 .0301 is readopted with changes as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

SECTION .0300 - RENEWAL OF LICENSE

21 NCAC 03 .0301 RENEWAL REQUEST FORM

Requests for license renewal shall be submitted on the form provided by the Board. The renewal form shall contain the following:

(1) The licensee's full name;

(2) The licensee's address;

(3) The licensee's job concentration area, address, and job title;

(4) Verification of a current Board of Certification, Inc. certification via current card; and

(5) Affirmation the licensee has not been convicted of any violations of law in the last 12 months.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-532;

Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;

Eff. May 1, 1999;

Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. April 27, 2019.

Readopted Eff. September 1, 2026.

21 NCAC 03 .0302 is readopted with changes as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

21 NCAC 03 .0302 CONTINUING EDUCATION

(a) Continuing education courses ~~appropriate~~ for license renewal ~~are those~~ shall be in one ~~or more~~ of the following content areas: Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, Kinesiology/Biomechanics, Psychology, Exercise Physiology, Prevention of Athletic Injuries, Evaluation of Athletic Injuries, First Aid and Emergency Care, Therapeutic Modalities, Therapeutic Exercise, Personal Community Health, Nutrition, and Administration of Athletic Training Programs.

(b) A licensee shall complete 75 contact hours of continuing education during a three-year license renewal period. Contact hours are defined as the number of actual clock hours spent in a course of study. One semester hour of credit is equivalent to 10 contact hours.

(c) Licensed athletic trainers who fail to document sufficient appropriate continuing education to renew their licenses shall be notified in writing of the deficiency and shall be allowed 45 days to respond. Continuing education may not be undertaken during this period to supplement the deficiency. The licenses of athletic trainers who fail to respond within the 45-day period, or who are unable to provide sufficient continuing education shall lapse and be subject to the lapsed license requirements set forth in 21 NCAC 03 .0303.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-533;

Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;

Eff. May 1, 1999;

Amended Eff. January 1, 2007;

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21 NCAC 03 .0303 is readopted with changes as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

21 NCAC 03 .0303 LAPSED LICENSE

(a) The lapsed license may be renewed within a period of five years after expiration upon payment of the lapsed license fee pursuant to 21 NCAC 03 .0201 and the completion of 25 contact hours of continuing education for each year that the license has lapsed.

(b) A license that has lapsed for more than five years shall be renewed upon payment of the lapsed license fee pursuant to 21 NCAC 03 .0201 and the completion of 28 contact hours of continuing education for each year that the license has lapsed.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-532; 90-533;

Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;

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21 NCAC 03 .0304 is readopted as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

21 NCAC 03 .0304 BOARD APPROVAL OF COURSES

The Board shall approve any of the following programs or courses:

- (1) Those provided by a college or university authorized to grant degrees.
- (2) Those sponsored by the North Carolina Athletic Trainers' Association.
- (3) Those that the Board is satisfied meet the requirement if G.S. 90-533.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-533;

Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;

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21 NCAC 03 .0310 is readopted with changes as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

21 NCAC 03 .0310 ARMED SERVICES EXTENSION FOR CREDENTIAL

Upon receipt of a written request by or on behalf of a licensed athletic trainer who is currently in good standing with the Board, is serving in the armed forces of the United States, and to whom G.S. ~~105-249~~ 105-249.2 authorizes an extension of time to file a tax return, the Board shall postpone renewal fees, renewal application deadlines, continuing education ~~requirements~~ requirements, and any other requirements or conditions related to the maintenance of the credential issued by the Board or to the renewal thereof for the same period of time as the extended period of time to file a tax return that is granted pursuant to G.S. 93B-15.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 93B-15;

Eff. July 1, 2012;

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21 NCAC 03 .0401 is readopted as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

21 NCAC 03 .0401 DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Board disciplinary actions may include the following:

- (1) Reprimand. Reprimand is a public rebuke for misconduct as an athletic trainer.
- (2) Restriction. Restriction is a stay of suspension or revocation allowing limited practice within conditions stipulated by the Board.
- (3) Suspension. Suspension is the withdrawal of the privilege to practice for a specified time.
- (4) Revocation. Revocation is the withdrawal of the privilege to practice as a licensed athletic trainer in the State of North Carolina.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-536;
Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;
Eff. May 1, 1999;
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21 NCAC 03 .0501 is readopted with changes as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

21 NCAC 03 .0501 MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

The practice protocol for each athletic trainer pursuant to G.S. 90-523(2) shall be ~~a general~~ an outline of practices for which the athletic trainer has been trained and shall be individualized to accommodate the skills of the athletic trainer.

The practice protocol shall not allow the athletic trainer to undertake medical diagnosis or to prescribe or dispense prescription drugs or prescription devices. The practice protocol shall not allow the athletic trainer to independently provide treatments for athletes with fractures, head or spinal injuries, or other serious medical conditions, except the athletic trainer may render appropriate first aid or emergency care. The protocol shall specify provisions for physician involvement in the event of serious injuries. The athletic trainer and the physician shall sign and file a statement with the North Carolina Medical Board agreeing to abide by the protocol. The format of the protocol shall be typewritten on letter size paper.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-523; 90-525;

Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;

Eff. May 1, 1999;

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Burgos, Alexander N

Subject: FW: [External] Re: NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners - Rules for August 2026 RRC Meeting

Attachments: 21 NCAC 03.docx; Form 0400 Submission for 21 NCAC 03.docx

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Chris,

Thank you for your help. Attached please find the revised 21 NCAC 03 Rules and respective Forms 0400.

Please let me know if you have any questions,

Paola Learoyd Gibbs

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1 **21 NCAC 03 .0103 ATHLETIC TRAINERS NOT CERTIFIED**

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3 *History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-530;*
4 *Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;*
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SECTION .0300 - RENEWAL OF LICENSE

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21 NCAC 03 .0302 is readopted with changes as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

21 NCAC 03 .0302 CONTINUING EDUCATION

(a) Continuing education courses ~~appropriate~~ for license renewal ~~are those~~ shall be in one ~~or more~~ of the following content areas: Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, Kinesiology/Biomechanics, Psychology, Exercise Physiology, Prevention of Athletic Injuries, Evaluation of Athletic Injuries, First Aid and Emergency Care, Therapeutic Modalities, Therapeutic Exercise, Personal Community Health, Nutrition, and Administration of Athletic Training Programs.

(b) A licensee shall complete 75 contact hours of continuing education during a three-year license renewal period. Contact hours are defined as the number of actual clock hours spent in a course of study. One semester hour of credit is equivalent to 10 contact hours.

(c) Licensed athletic trainers who fail to document sufficient appropriate continuing education to renew their licenses shall be notified in writing of the deficiency and shall be allowed 45 days to respond. Continuing education may not be undertaken during this period to supplement the deficiency. The licenses of athletic trainers who fail to respond within the 45-day period, or who are unable to provide sufficient continuing education shall lapse and be subject to the lapsed license requirements set forth in 21 NCAC 03 .0303.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-533;

Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;

Eff. May 1, 1999;

Amended Eff. January 1, 2007;

Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. April 27, 2019.

Readopted Eff. September 1, 2026

21 NCAC 03 .0303 is readopted with changes as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

21 NCAC 03 .0303 LAPSED LICENSE

(a) The lapsed license may be renewed within a period of five years after expiration upon payment of the lapsed license fee pursuant to 21 NCAC 03. 0201 and the completion of 25 contact hours of continuing education for each year that the license has lapsed.

(b) A license that has lapsed for more than five years shall be renewed upon payment of the lapsed license fee pursuant to 21 NCAC 03. 0201 and the completion of 28 contact hours of continuing education for each year that the license has lapsed.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-532; 90-533

Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;

Eff. May 1, 1999;

Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. April 27, 2019.

Readopted Eff. September 1, 2026

21 NCAC 03 .0304 is repealed as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

21 NCAC 03 .0304 BOARD APPROVAL OF COURSES

The Board shall approve any of the following programs or courses:

- (1) Those provided by a college or university authorized to grant degrees.
- (2) Those sponsored by the North Carolina Athletic Trainers' Association.
- (3) Those that the Board is satisfied meet the requirement if G.S. 90-533.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-533;

Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;

Eff. May 1, 1999;

Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. April 27, 2019.

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21 NCAC 03 .0305 RESERVED FOR FUTURE CODIFICATION

21 NCAC 03 .0306 RESERVED FOR FUTURE CODIFICATION

21 NCAC 03 .0307 RESERVED FOR FUTURE CODIFICATION

21 NCAC 03 .0308 RESERVED FOR FUTURE CODIFICATION

21 NCAC 03 .0309 RESERVED FOR FUTURE CODIFICATION

21 NCAC 03 .0310 is readopted with changes as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

21 NCAC 03 .0310 ARMED SERVICES EXTENSION FOR CREDENTIAL

Upon receipt of a written request by or on behalf of a licensed athletic trainer who is currently in good standing with the Board, is serving in the armed forces of the United States, and to whom G.S. 105-249.2 authorizes an extension of time to file a tax return, the Board shall postpone renewal fees, renewal application deadlines, continuing education requirements, and any other requirements or conditions related to the maintenance of the credential issued by the Board or to the renewal thereof for the same period of time as the extended period of time to file a tax return that is granted pursuant to G.S. 93B-15.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 93B-15;

Eff. July 1, 2012;

Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. April 27, 2019.

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21 NCAC 03 .0401 is readopted as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

21 NCAC 03 .0401 DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Board disciplinary actions may include the following:

- (1) Reprimand. Reprimand is a public rebuke for misconduct as an athletic trainer.
- (2) Restriction. Restriction is a stay of suspension or revocation allowing limited practice within conditions stipulated by the Board.
- (3) Suspension. Suspension is the withdrawal of the privilege to practice for a specified time.
- (4) Revocation. Revocation is the withdrawal of the privilege to practice as a licensed athletic trainer in the State of North Carolina.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-525; 90-536;
Temporary Adoption Eff. March 16, 1998;
Eff. May 1, 1999;
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. April 27,
2019.
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21 NCAC 03 .0501 is readopted with changes as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:

21 NCAC 03 .0501 MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

The practice protocol for each athletic trainer pursuant to G.S. 90-523(2) shall be ~~a general~~ an outline of practices for which the athletic trainer has been trained and shall be individualized to accommodate the skills of the athletic trainer.

The practice protocol shall not allow the athletic trainer to undertake medical diagnosis or to prescribe or dispense prescription drugs or prescription devices. The practice protocol shall not allow the athletic trainer to independently provide treatments for athletes with fractures, head or spinal injuries, or other serious medical conditions, except the athletic trainer may render appropriate first aid or emergency care. The protocol shall specify provisions for physician involvement in the event of serious injuries. The athletic trainer and the physician shall sign and file a statement with the North Carolina Medical Board agreeing to abide by the protocol. The format of the protocol shall be typewritten on letter size paper.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-523; 90-525;

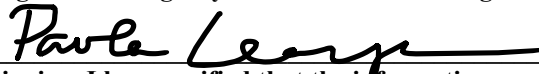
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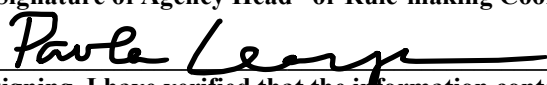
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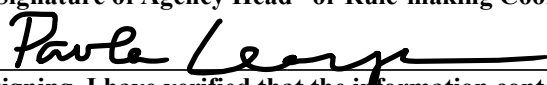
SUBMISSION FOR PERMANENT RULE

1. Rule-Making Agency: NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners	
2. Rule citation & name (name not required for repeal): 21 NCAC 03.0101 Application For Licensure	
3. Action: ☐ ADOPTION ☐ AMENDMENT ☐ REPEAL ☒ READOPTION ☐ REPEAL through READOPTION	
4. Rule exempt from RRC review? ☐ Yes. Cite authority: ☒ No	5. Rule automatically subject to legislative review? ☐ Yes. Cite authority: ☒ No
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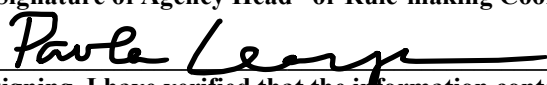
SUBMISSION FOR PERMANENT RULE

1. Rule-Making Agency: NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners	
2. Rule citation & name (name not required for repeal): 21 NCAC 03.0102 Good Moral Character	
3. Action: ☐ ADOPTION ☐ AMENDMENT ☐ REPEAL ☒ READOPTIO N ☐ REPEAL through READOPTIO N	
4. Rule exempt from RRC review? ☐ Yes. Cite authority: ☒ No	5. Rule automatically subject to legislative review? ☐ Yes. Cite authority: ☒ No
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1. Rule-Making Agency: NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners	
2. Rule citation & name (name not required for repeal): 21 NCAC 03.0201 Fees	
3. Action: ☐ ADOPTION ☐ AMENDMENT ☐ REPEAL ☒ READOPTIO N ☐ REPEAL through READOPTIO N	
4. Rule exempt from RRC review? ☐ Yes. Cite authority: ☒ No	5. Rule automatically subject to legislative review? ☐ Yes. Cite authority: ☒ No
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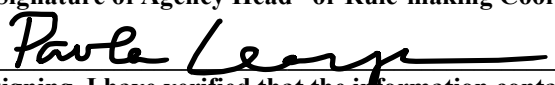
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1. Rule-Making Agency: NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners	
2. Rule citation & name (name not required for repeal): 21 NCAC 03. 0202 Suspension of Authority and Escrow of Funds	
3. Action: ☐ ADOPTION ☐ AMENDMENT ☐ REPEAL ☒ READOPTION ☐ REPEAL through READOPTION	
4. Rule exempt from RRC review? ☐ Yes. Cite authority: ☒ No	5. Rule automatically subject to legislative review? ☐ Yes. Cite authority: ☒ No
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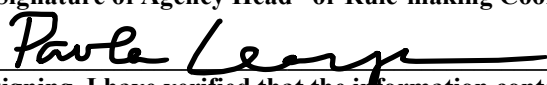
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2. Rule citation & name (name not required for repeal): 21 NCAC 03. 0301 Renewal Request Form	
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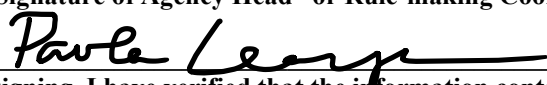
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2. Rule citation & name (name not required for repeal): 21 NCAC 03. 0302 Continuing Education	
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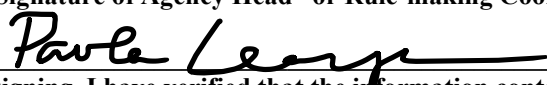
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2. Rule citation & name (name not required for repeal): 21 NCAC 03. 0303 Lapsed License	
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2. Rule citation & name (name not required for repeal): 21 NCAC 03. 0304 Board Approval of Courses	
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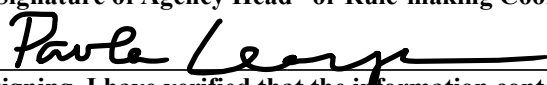
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2. Rule citation & name (name not required for repeal): 21 NCAC 03. 0310 Armed Services Extension for Credential	
3. Action: ☐ ADOPTION ☐ AMENDMENT ☐ REPEAL ☒ READOPTIO N ☐ REPEAL through READOPTIO N	
4. Rule exempt from RRC review? ☐ Yes. Cite authority: ☒ No	5. Rule automatically subject to legislative review? ☐ Yes. Cite authority: ☒ No
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1. Rule-Making Agency: NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners	
2. Rule citation & name (name not required for repeal): 21 NCAC 03. 0401 Disciplinary Actions	
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Burgos, Alexander N

Subject: FW: [External] Re: NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners - Rules for August 2026 RRC Meeting

From: Miller, Christopher S <christopher.miller@oah.nc.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 5, 2026 11:07 AM
To: executivedirector@ncbate.org
Cc: Burgos, Alexander N <alexander.burgos@oah.nc.gov>; Miller, Christopher S <christopher.miller@oah.nc.gov>
Subject: RE: [External] Re: NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners - Rules for August 2026 RRC Meeting

Good morning, Paola. Please see my responses inserted into your email below in **red** text.
Let me know if you have any other questions.
Best,
Chris

From: NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners <executivedirector@ncbate.org>
Sent: Tuesday, August 4, 2026 12:07 PM
To: Miller, Christopher S <christopher.miller@oah.nc.gov>
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Chris,

Thank you for guidance and recommendations.

I have a couple of questions and comments which I will list below for ease:

1. In my intro statement what is the NCR information I must include?

You need to include the volume, issue, and page number of the Register where the rule was originally published. So, for example, your intro statement for rule 21 NCAC 03 .0202 would read as: "21 NCAC 03 .0202 is readopted as published in 40:10 NCR 835 as follows:". Please also see another example at <https://www.oah.nc.gov/documents/rules/permanent-readoption-changes-publication-published-necessary-without-substantive-changes-0/download?attachment>.

2. Regarding 21 NCAC 03. 0304 - The Board does actively apprpve programs or courses for universities or the Association. I am not sure how to claify this further as it's not a practice they are engaged in. Please advise.

Has the Board done this in the past and will it do this in the future? If the Board does not use this rule, you should consider repealing it. It sounds like the rule may not be necessary. If you plan to keep the rule, you should clarify the process with the Board.

Thank you again, and I look forward to hearing from you.

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On Fri, Jul 31, 2026 at 11:44 AM Miller, Christopher S <christopher.miller@oah.nc.gov> wrote:

Hello,

I'm the staff attorney who reviewed the rules submitted by the NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners for the August 2026 RRC meeting. The RRC will formally review these rules at its meeting on Thursday, August 27, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be a hybrid of in-person and WebEx attendance, and an evite should be sent to you as we get close to the meeting. If there are any other representatives from your agency who want to attend virtually, please let me know prior to the meeting, and we will get evites out to them as well.

Attached is my Request for Changes pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.10. Please submit the responses, forms, and revised rules to me via email, no later than **5 p.m. on August 14, 2026.**

Let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

Chris

Chris Miller

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