

## How to submit a comment during the public comment period

1. All public comments must be submitted in writing.
2. Public comments must be submitted before 5 p.m. on Monday, January 23, 2017.
3. Public comments may be submitted:

By U.S. Postal Service addressed to: Ann B. Wall, General Counsel  
N.C. Department of the Secretary of State  
P.O. Box 29622  
Raleigh, NC 27626-0622

By hand or express delivery **only**, addressed to: Ann B. Wall, General Counsel  
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2 S. Salisbury St., Raleigh, NC 27601

By E-Mail to: [rules@sosnc.gov](mailto:rules@sosnc.gov) with the subject line "Lobbying Rules"

### What counts as a "public comment" for purposes of the Existing Rules Review?

A "public comment" is defined by G.S. § 150B-21.3A(a)(5) as a written objection to all or part of a rule. Additionally, G.S. § 150B-21.3A(c)(2) says that in order for the Rules Review Commission to determine whether the public comment has merit:

1. The public comment must address the specific substance of the rule, and
2. The public comment must address any of the standards of Commission review, as set forth in G.S. § 150B-21.9(a).

The General Statutes can be viewed at: [www.ncleg.net](http://www.ncleg.net).