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WHEREAS, the 109th Session of Wilmington City Council believes openness,

Sponsor:

transparency, and accountability are fundamental in carrying out its duty to the citizens of

Council

Wilmington; and

Member Darby

WHEREAS, Council believes the public should be afforded every opportunity to

Co-Sponsors:

give public comment regardless of whether they attend in person; and

Council Members Hackett Owens

Oliver

McCoy

WHEREAS, to be informed, the public should be aware of the matters to be

discussed in Committee meetings; and

WHEREAS, in light of the foregoing, City Council deems it necessary and appropriate to amend City Council Rule 11 to ensure the public has access to draft legislation, reports, updates, and presentations for Committee Meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that Rule 11 of the City Council Rules is hereby amended by adding the underlined language to read as follows:

RULE 11 - COMMITTEE RULES AND POWERS

Each committee shall make public announcement of the date, place, and subject matter of any meeting to be conducted by the committee on any measure or matter at least seven days before the commencement of that meeting to comply with FOIA. Further, draft legislation, presentations, reports, and updates to be considered at each Committee meeting shall be in draft form or approved as to form by the Law Department at the time of the agenda's posting. A link to draft legislation, presentations, reports, and updates, shall be included in Committee agendas.

Passed by City Council,	
ATTEST:	
City Clerk	

SYNOPSIS: This Resolution amends City Council Rule 11 to require draft legislation, presentations, reports, and updates be available for public viewing before Committee meetings.