

Hospital Facilities Repeal Rules Public Comments
10A NCAC 13B .6001-.6002, .6104, .6201-6206 and .6208-.6227
Comment Period 9/01/17 – 10/31/17

Exhibit E/12

Introduction:

There was one comment received during the public comment period on the repeal of Rules 10A NCAC 13B .6001-.6002, .6104, .6201-6206 and .6208-.6227. This comment was submitted by a representative from Leach Wallace Associates, Inc. The comment received on these rules is summarized below:

1) Listing of Comments Received and Agency’s Consideration of Comments for Repeal the rules:

Commenter	Comment Summary
1) Leach Wallace Associates, Inc.	Requests these hospital rules changes also be enacted to the Licensing of Ambulatory Surgical Facilities rules because the regulations are similar in many respects and the proposed temporary rules for the FGI guidelines should include applicable guidelines for facilities regulated under the Licensing of Ambulatory Surgical Facilities rules. This would greatly simplify the design and construction of healthcare facilities in the state and provide suitable, high quality, effective and safe facilities while referencing a common standard for both hospitals and ambulatory surgical facilities.

Agency Response to Comments Above:

Session Law 2017-174 (SB 42) mandated: the repeal of hospital physical plant Rules 10A NCAC 13B .6001-.6002, .6104, .6201-6206 and .6208-.6227; and the adoption of temporary and permanent rules that incorporate by reference applicable chapters of the FGI guidelines. Session Law 2017-174 (SB 42) did not mandate the repeal of any physical plant rules set forth in the Licensing of Ambulatory Surgical Facilities rules. As a result, the repeal of any physical plant rules for the Licensing of Ambulatory Surgical Facilities were not included in these rule repeal actions.