SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE RULES

- 1. The Chair shall determine the committee agenda, including scheduling and the order of business.
- 2. Cellular phones and other electronic devices must be silenced while in committee.
- 3. The Chair reserves the right to limit testimony that is cumulative in nature and may limit testimony, when necessary, to a specific number of minutes.
- 4. Committee members shall not address conferees until and unless the Chair grants permission.
- 5. The Chair reserves the right to limit questioning of conferees by committee members in the interest of time and in the interest of fairness to conferees and other committee members.
- 6. No conferee shall be interrupted during the presentation of their testimony, except with the permission of the Chair.
- 7. Questioning of a conferee shall be limited to the subject matter on the agenda for the day, except as may otherwise be allowed by the Chair.
- 8. Committee members shall not be approached during a committee hearing or deliberations by anyone other than fellow legislative members or legislative staff.
- 9. Amendments to motions are not in order except upon consent of the member making the motion and his or her second.
- 10. A motion to table or take from the table shall be in order only when such an item is on the agenda or is taken up by the Chair. The motion requires a simple majority of those present and is, unless otherwise determined by the Chair, non-debatable.
- 11. A request from any member that their vote be recorded shall be granted.
- 12. The Chair reserves the right to take such action as may be necessary to prevent disruptive behavior in the committee room during hearings and deliberation.
- 13. Adjournment is reserved to the Chair.