



# HOUSE BILL 620: Update ALJ Code of Conduct.

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**OVERVIEW:** *House Bill 620 would update the code of conduct for administrative law judges and make conforming changes.*

**CURRENT LAW and BILL ANALYSIS:** Currently, G.S. 7A-754 establishes qualifications and standards of conduct for administrative law judges in the Office of Administrative Hearings. It requires administrative law judges to comply with the Model Code of Judicial Conduct for State Administrative Law Judges, as adopted by the National Conference of Administrative Law Judges, Judicial Division, American Bar Association, revised August 1998.

House Bill 620 would require administrative law judges to comply with a newer version of the same model code – the American Bar Association Model Code of Judicial Conduct for State Administrative Law Judges dated August 2018.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The bill would become effective when it becomes law, and apply to conduct on or after that date.

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