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**OHIO CONSTITUTIONAL MODERNIZATION COMMISSION
ADOPTS RULES OF PROCEDURE AND CONDUCT**

The Ohio Constitutional Modernization Commission (OCMC) has adopted Rules of Procedure and Conduct to guide its work and activities in the years ahead.

At its meeting on September 11, 2014, the 32 member commission adopted the rules upon the recommendation of its Organization and Administration Committee after several months of review. In making the recommendation, former state senator Mark Wagner of Toledo, chair of the committee, noted that, “Some of the highlights [of the rules] are that we have established formal process for how proposals are presented to the commission. These have been highly negotiated over the last six months.” Wagner then went on to thank the Organization and Administration Committee members for, “their hard work, their recommendations, and their careful scrutiny of the rules.”

The rules set forth procedures for commission meetings creating committees and subcommittees, reviewing existing provisions and proposed amendments to the constitution, and making recommendations to the Ohio General Assembly. The rules also set out four aspirations for OCMC members as they engage in the work of the body.

The rules are available [here](#).

The OCMC was created in 2011 by the Ohio General Assembly in House Bill 188 of the 129th General Assembly. It is modeled after the Ohio Constitutional Revision Commission which completed its work in the 1970’s.

For more information regarding the work of OCMC, please visit <http://www.ocmc.ohio.gov>.