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On page 5, after line 8, insert:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. (1) The Legislature's delegation of authority to an agency under this act is strictly limited to:

- (a) The minimum delegation necessary to administer the act's clear and unambiguous directives; and
- (b) The administration of circumstances and behaviors foreseeable at the time of enactment.
- (2) Agency actions or rules authorized by this act are subject to the following additional standards of judicial review, which supercede RCW 34.05.570(1) and (2) to the extent of any conflict:
- (a) Agencies bear the burden of demonstrating that the agency action:
 - (i) Was authorized by law; and
- (ii) Was valid, when the interest of a party asserting invalidity arises from agency actions imposing a penalty on the asserting party;
- (b) The validity of a rule may be determined upon petition for declaratory judgment addressed to any superior court in this state; and
- (c) In determining whether, under RCW 34.05.570(2)(c), a rule exceeds the agency's statutory authority, the court must also consider whether the rule exceeds the limited delegation under subsection (1) of this section."
- 24 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Provides that the rule-making authority granted under the act is subject to certain standards of judicial review that are in addition to, or supercede, those in the Administrative Procedure Act.

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