

1010-S

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Brief Description: Implementing regulatory reform.

**HB 1010-S.E - DIGEST**

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Provides that specific grants of rule-making authority are required for rules adopted by the departments of social and health services, revenue, ecology, health, licensing, employment security, agriculture, as well as the fish and wildlife commission, and the commissioner of public lands.

Restricts other agencies to rules specifically required by federal law, or specifically authorized by the legislature.

Establishes procedures for pilot rule projects for volunteers to test a rule prior to adoption.

Revises rule-making requirements to require public education and input prior to adoption of rules.

Requires agencies to periodically review their rules.

Revises procedures for appeals from rule adoption, amendment, or repeal.

Requires a small business economic impact statement to be prepared prior to adoption of a rule.

Provides for a legislative regulatory oversight committee.

Encourages employees to identify rules warranting review.

Provides for technical assistance by agencies to help businesses voluntarily comply with rules.

Revises rule review procedures for agencies and the courts.

Declares that penalties for violations of rules may be imposed only for willful violations.

Provides for the issuance of a statement of deficiency.

Provides for the award of fees and expenses where a rule is declared invalid, not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars.

Provides for uniform, consolidated business license procedures.

Repeals RCW 34.05.355 and 19.85.060.

VETO MESSAGE ON HB 1010-S

May 16, 1995

To the Honorable Speaker and Members,

The House of Representatives of the State of Washington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, without my approval as to sections 110, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 119, and 504, Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1010 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to regulatory reform;"

Over the last few years, the issue of regulatory reform has generated spirited discussion and debate. I have come to the conclusion that, like beauty, regulatory reform is really in the eye of the beholder. While there is widespread agreement about the problems, there is less clarity regarding solutions. This bill represents a path to regulatory reform that I believe will make significant changes in the regulatory climate. We all must embark upon this path in a spirit of cooperation and with the firm resolve to work together to successfully implement this legislation. Everyone who is concerned with these issues must have a place at the table: the regulated community, state agencies, local governments, the environmental community, labor, and interested citizens groups. Without this cooperative spirit, it will be impossible to implement significant, long-term change.

On August 9, 1993, I signed Executive Order 93-06. The executive order directed state agencies to initiate several efforts to coordinate among themselves and to provide better and more useful information to the public. I stated three goals for regulatory reform in the executive order. They are: