

**SENATE RESOLUTION  
1994-8702**

By Senators Moore and Sheldon

WHEREAS, The legislature recognizes that clear grants of rule-making authority are necessary for efficient and effective regulatory programs and accountability in governmental decision-making; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary and appropriate for the standing committees of the Senate to review existing rule-making authority which has been granted to state agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the standing committees of the Senate shall selectively review statutory grants of rule-making authority to determine: (1) Whether the authority granted is clear and as intended; (2) whether the legislative intent is specific and includes defined objectives; and (3) whether the grant of authority is consistent with and not duplicative of grants to other agencies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That in performing such reviews, priority shall be given to grants of rule-making authority to the department of revenue, the employment security department, the department of ecology, the department of labor and industries, the department of health, the department of licensing, the department of fish and wildlife, the department of natural resources, the forest practices board, and the insurance commissioner; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committees shall selectively review cases of potentially conflicting or duplicative rules and recommend corrective action where appropriate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committees shall recommend any corrective legislation that they consider appropriate.

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate,  
do hereby certify that this is a true and  
correct copy of Senate Resolution 1994-8702,  
adopted by the Senate March 10, 1994.

MARTY BROWN  
Secretary of the Senate