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Sponsor(s): Representatives McMorris, Anderson, Holmquist, Mielke, Boldt, Nixon, Pearson and Dunn

Brief Description: Enacting regulatory reform for small business.

HB 2855 - DIGEST

Directs state agencies to make a good faith attempt to notify businesses affected by rule changes that may subject noncomplying businesses to penalties.

Finds that requiring the governor's signatures on new agency rules will promote accountability and reduce future regulatory burdens on small businesses.

Finds that small businesses lack the resources that state agencies routinely use in defending administrative rules that may have been adopted unlawfully, without regard to proper administrative procedures, or which exceed an agency's statutory authority.

Finds that it is necessary to place the burden of demonstrating that new administrative rules are adopted in a lawful manner upon the adopting agency.