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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Bill Avery

Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

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The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 718 requires agencies to publish semiannually their agenda for rules under development for revision over the next six month period as well as requires the posting of fiscal impact statements online on the Secretary of State's website. Additionally, it requires agencies to specifically provide the statutory authority for each new rule or regulation.

Agencies must prepare and publish a semiannual agenda for rules and regulations under development or review or planned development or review. The agenda shall be published within 30 days following the end of each regular legislative session and by October 15. An agency may not adopt, amend, or repeal a rule or regulation not included on the semiannual agenda except when the rule or regulation is:

- (1) In response to a natural disaster or declaration of emergency;
- (2) Required by federal law;
- (3) Related to the loss of or access to additional federal funds; or
- (4) As a result of a state or federal court decision.

Senator Sue Crawford