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5 On page 2, after line 6, insert the following:

6 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 44.04 RCW
7 to read as follows:

8 Appropriate standing committees of the senate and house of
9 representatives shall prepare a regulatory note as part of the bill
10 report on each bill before the committee that grants rule-making
11 authority to a state agency. The regulatory note shall identify if
12 rule making is required or authorized by the bill, describe the nature
13 of the rule making, identify agencies to which rule making is
14 delegated, and identify any other agencies that have rule-making
15 authority over the same activity or subject matter. In addition, the
16 regulatory note shall contain a checklist confirming that the committee
17 addressed the following criteria:

18 (1) Whether the bill responds to a specific, identifiable
19 regulatory need and whether government is the most appropriate
20 institution to address the need;

21 (2) Whether the bill contains a clear statement of legislative
22 intent and identification of the state agency or local government
23 charged with carrying out the intent;

24 (3) Whether the bill contains measurable outcomes and an evaluation
25 process that will be used to determine if the outcomes are achieved;

26 (4) Whether there has been adequate involvement of affected
27 interests in the development of the bill;

28 (5) Whether the costs of compliance and administration have been
29 estimated, whether the bill achieves its outcomes with the least cost
30 and burden to those affected by the regulation, and whether the cost of
31 not enacting the law has been considered;

32 (6) Whether the bill adequately allows for voluntary compliance;

33 (7) Whether the bill is written clearly and concisely, without
34 ambiguities; and

35 (8) Whether the bill adequately resolves potential conflicts with
36 other laws."

- 1 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any
- 2 internal references accordingly.

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