

**Legislative Law Article 5-B**  
**LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS**

**Legislative Law §86. Administrative regulations review commission.**

There is hereby created an administrative regulations review commission to consist of two members of the senate to be appointed by the temporary president of the senate, two members of the assembly to be appointed by the speaker of the assembly, one member of the senate to be appointed by the minority leader of the senate and one member of the assembly to be appointed by the minority leader of the assembly. The temporary president of the senate and the speaker of the assembly shall each appoint a co-chairman from among the commission membership. Any vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. Such appointees shall serve at the pleasure of the respective legislative member making such appointment.

**Legislative Law §87. Powers and duties.**

1. The commission shall exercise continuous oversight of the process of rule making and examine rules, as defined in subdivision two of section one hundred two of the state administrative procedure act, adopted or proposed by each agency with respect to (i) statutory authority, (ii) compliance with legislative intent, (iii) impact on the economy and on the government operations of the state and its local governments, and (iv) impact on affected parties; and, in furtherance of such duties, may examine other issues it deems appropriate. For purpose of this article, the term agency shall mean any department, board, bureau, commission, division, office, council, committee or officer of the state or a public benefit corporation or public authority at least one of whose members is appointed by the governor.

2. The commission may employ such staff and retain such consultants and expert services as may be necessary and fix their compensation and expenses within the amounts appropriated therefor. Employment by the commission shall be deemed to be employment by the legislature for all purposes.

3. The commission shall have the power, subject to the provisions of section seventy-three of the civil rights law, to hold hearings, subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, take testimony and compel the production of books, papers, documents and other evidence in furtherance of its duties; provided, however, that no subpoena shall issue except upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the whole membership of the commission. The commission may request and shall receive from all agencies such assistance and data as will enable it properly to consummate any such examination, and review.

**Legislative Law §88. Reports.**

The commission shall, from time to time, report its findings and recommendations to the governor, the temporary president of the senate and the speaker of the assembly, and to the members of the legislature, and may at any time make recommendations to an agency based upon its review of that agency's rule making process, or any of the agency's proposed, revised or adopted rules.