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The duties of the **Legislative Council** are:

- To provide nonpartisan legal, scientific and other research services and administrative support services to Joint Legislative Council study committees and other legislative standing committees and task forces;
- To serve as the Rules Clearinghouse for review of all proposed administrative rules; and
- To respond to research and information requests from legislators, legislative staff, other governmental agencies and other state legislatures in a confidential and nonpartisan manner.



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| Standing Committees | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Assembly Committees ➤ Senate Committees ➤ Joint Committees ➤ Committee Materials | <p>Lists committee names and Legislative Council staff for each committee.</p> <p>Committee materials collected by Legislative Council staff during a hearing on a bill or resolution.*</p> |
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| Joint Legislative Council | | <p>List of members of the Joint Legislative Council which establish study committees to examine major issues and problems identified by the Legislature. The study committees appointed by the Council are made up of Legislators and citizens who are interested in or knowledgeable about the study topic.</p> |
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