## **Creation of Agency, Boards or Commissions**

Here are some questions that are often asked when a legislative sunrise or sunset review of an executive agency, board or commission is done. They get to the "heart" of why an agency, board or commission should be established or continued.

## Sunrise

- 1. What is the object and purpose for establishing the agency, board or commission?
- 2. Is there a need for the service or regulation to be offered by the group?
- 3. What level of service or regulation, if any, would most benefit the public?
- 4. What is the anticipated cost of the agency, board or commission?
- 5. What is its funding source?

## Sunset

- 6. What is the object and purpose for establishing the agency, board or commission?
- 7. Has the agency, board or commission effectively met its objectives and purpose?
- 8. Has the agency, board or commission operated efficiently?
- 9. To what extent has the agency, board or commission operated within the public interest?
- 10. Have any rules and regulations promulgated by the agency, board or commission been consistent with its legislative mandate?
- 11. If rules and regulations were promulgated, did the agency, board or commission encourage input from the public? To what extent did the agency, board or commission inform the public about its actions and the expected impact on the public?
- 12. To what extent has the agency, board or commission been able to investigate and resolve complaints within its jurisdiction?
- 13. Has the agency, board or commission addressed any deficiencies in its enabling statute that prevent it from fulfilling its statutory mandates?
- 14. To what extent would termination of the agency, board or commission significantly harm the public health, welfare or safety?
- 15. Are the levels of regulation exercised by the agency, board or commission appropriate? Would less or more stringent levels of regulation be more appropriate?