

# Sen. Darling: Rules review will clear up clutter, confusion

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Madison – Government red tape can create headaches for taxpayers and business owners, but it can be even worse when outdated rules create confusion and extra expenses. A new bill authored by Senator Alberta Darling, Senator Steve Nass, and Representative Joan Ballweg aims to eliminate the clutter in our state’s administrative rules and make sure rules are fair, accurate, and clear.

“Too often it’s difficult for small business owners to know which rules apply to them and which are outdated,” Darling said, “This bill will give the administrative code a regular and thorough check-up.”

After a law is passed, it’s up to state agencies to write administrative rules to provide the details on how the law will work. Often the rule-writing can take a long time, contradict existing rules, or create confusion and unnecessary expenses for people and small businesses. Senator Darling says she is grateful for the support of her colleagues.

“I would like to thank Senator Steve Nass and Representative Joan Ballweg for working on this important issue,” Darling said, “Together, I believe we have created a comprehensive and important reform which will build on the improvement of our state’s business climate.”

The lawmakers say they are currently seeking co-sponsors for the bill.

Senator Darling represents portions of Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Washington and



Waukesha Counties.