

**Bill Summary**  
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**Bill Analysis**

SB 819 directs the court interpreting a statute or agency rule to interpret the meaning and effect de novo. All remaining doubt shall be exercised in favor of a reasonable interpretation which limits agency power and maximizes individual liberty. Courts shall not rely on the state agency's interpretation of the statute or rule. The measure provides that no civil penalty may be awarded in an action brought by or on behalf of an administrative agency of this state against any person or legal entity for conduct that would also be the subject of a suit at common law in which the defendant would be entitled to trial by jury. This provision shall not apply to cases of summary judgement.

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