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Key questions when considering legislation, rule or regulation:

RESPONSIVE

- Is it required by state or federal law?
- Was comprehensive data used to define the problem and desired outcomes?
- Were experts who administer the affected programs engaged?

EFFICIENT

- Will it streamline or add layers of bureaucracy?
- Is it redundant or inefficient?
- Are current staffing levels sufficient to comply with additional requirements?

ACCOUNTABLE

- Are there measurable outcomes to be achieved by this change?
- Is there adequate state funding to pay for all direct local costs?
- Are there models in existence that may provide better outcomes?

LOCAL-STATE PARTNERSHIP

- Have local elected officials been consulted?
- Has there been collaboration between state agencies?
- Does it limit flexibility to be responsive to community needs?

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Responsive, Efficient, Accountable services delivered through **Local-State Partnership**

REAL Colorado is an initiative of Colorado Counties, Inc. that aims to lead a collaborative, strategic reform of state and local government systems.

REAL Colorado represents the unified voice of Colorado's 64 counties calling for improved government services delivered through local-state partnership that are more responsive, efficient and accountable.

REAL Colorado collaborative reform involves: driving decisions based on data and measurable outcomes, reducing unnecessary and un-funded mandates and streamlining processes.

REAL Colorado strives to increase transparency and fiscal responsibility. It aims to safeguard the flexibility required for local governments to define innovative solutions for the communities they serve.

Throughout these efforts, a strong focus on outcomes will enhance the quality of services, reduce costs and help Colorado's state and local governments to meet the needs of our citizens.