

Authentication and Preservation of State Electronic Law Act

- Process began following AALL National Summit in April of 2007.
- Purpose: Is a uniform act or law necessary to require online legal materials, especially those considered official, to be secure & authenticated & preserved for permanent public access.
- January 2008 Study Committee was authorized by resolution of the ULC.

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- Project based on March 2007 report, *State-by-State Report on Authentication of Online Legal Resources*
- Primary issue: States have begun to discontinue print official legal resources and substituting online legal sources.
- Example Delaware. Online statutory code and Administrative Code.
- No state with online presence are authenticating by standard methods.
- No standards at state or federal level.

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- Presently there are four major policy issues that need resolution:
 - Authentication
 - Access
 - Title
 - Uniform v. Model Act

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- Discussion points.
 - Authentication/Trustworthiness
 - What is official
 - Distribution to the public/Access
 - Preservation