

WSR 24-03-165

EXPEDITED RULES

DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING

[Filed January 24, 2024, 9:18 a.m.]

Title of Rule and Other Identifying Information: WAC 308-500-010 Semiautomatic assault rifle fee.

Purpose of the Proposal and Its Anticipated Effects, Including Any Changes in Existing Rules: The department of licensing (department) is removing the requirement for firearm dealers to charge a fee for semiautomatic assault rifle purchases. This change is pursuant to HB [E2SHB] 1143, passed during the 2023 legislative session, which now allows firearms dealers to charge a background check fee for the Secure Automated Firearm E-check system run by the Washington state patrol.

Reasons Supporting Proposal: These updates align with changes made by HB [E2SHB] 1143, including RCW 43.43.580 Firearms background check unit—Automated firearms background check system—Fee, and 9.41.090 Dealer deliveries regulated—Hold on deliver—Fees authorized.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 9.41.090 (7) (a) Dealer deliveries regulated—Hold on delivery—Fees authorized, and 43.43.580 (4) (a) Firearms background check unit—Automated firearms background check system—Fee.

Statute Being Implemented: HB [E2SHB] 1143 and RCW 43.43.580 Firearms background check unit—Automated firearms background check system—Fee.

Rule is not necessitated by federal law, federal or state court decision.

Name of Proponent: Department of licensing, governmental.

Name of Agency Personnel Responsible for Drafting, Implementation, and Enforcement: Aaron Slavin, 405 Black Lake Boulevard S.W., Olympia, WA 98502, 360-634-5081.

This notice meets the following criteria to use the expedited adoption process for these rules:

Adopts or incorporates by reference without material change federal statutes or regulations, Washington state statutes, rules of other Washington state agencies, shoreline master programs other than those programs governing shorelines of statewide significance, or, as referenced by Washington state law, national consensus codes that generally establish industry standards, if the material adopted or incorporated regulates the same subject matter and conduct as the adopting or incorporating rule.

Content is explicitly and specifically dictated by statute.

Explanation of the Reason the Agency Believes the Expedited Rule-Making Process is Appropriate: This requirement is specifically called out in RCW 43.43.580 which was approved in HB [E2SHB] 1143 during the 2023 legislative session.

NOTICE

THIS RULE IS BEING PROPOSED UNDER AN EXPEDITED RULE-MAKING PROCESS THAT WILL ELIMINATE THE NEED FOR THE AGENCY TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS, PREPARE A SMALL BUSINESS ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT, OR PROVIDE RESPONSES TO THE CRITERIA FOR A SIGNIFICANT LEGISLATIVE RULE. IF YOU OBJECT TO THIS USE OF THE EXPEDITED RULE-MAKING PROCESS, YOU MUST EXPRESS YOUR OBJECTIONS IN WRITING AND THEY MUST BE SENT TO Kelsey Stone, Department of Licensing, 1125 Washington Street S.E., Olympia,

WA 98504, phone 360-902-0131, email rulescoordinator@dol.wa.gov, AND  
RECEIVED BY March 25, 2024.

January 24, 2024  
Ellis Starrett  
Rules and Policy Manager

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REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is  
repealed:

WAC 308-500-010          Semiautomatic assault rifle fee.