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Provides that applications for classification or reclassification under RCW $84.34.020\,(1)$ (b) or (c) may also be submitted to a hearing examiner for approval or rejection in accordance with this act.

Authorizes a county legislative authority or county and city legislative authority to adopt a hearing examiner system to make the determination under (a) of this act.

Provides that, if a hearing examiner system is adopted, the county must specify by ordinance the procedures of the examiner process, including procedures for appealing the examiner's decision. A final decision by the examiner shall be accepted as final unless clear and convincing evidence indicates an erroneous decision by the examiner.

Requires each final decision of a hearing examiner to be in writing and shall include findings and conclusions that support the decision.