

WSR 25-01-017
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF
ENTERPRISE SERVICES

[Filed December 5, 2024, 6:58 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Small business use and spending.
Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject:
RCW 39.26.090, 43.19.011, and 43.19.725.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They
Might Accomplish: Rules are needed to support Washington state strat-
egies to increase agencies' spending with small businesses and meet
related requirements in state law.

The intent of these rules is to boost state use of Washington
small businesses by making sure contracting and spending benefits are
going to small businesses as intended by the legislature.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and
the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: The department
of transportation, institutions of higher education, and the office of
minority and women's business enterprises regulate similar but differ-
ent aspects of increasing state business with Washington small busi-
nesses. We will work with these agencies during the development of the
proposed rule to make sure the similar aspects are aligned and in har-
mony.

Process for Developing New Rule: We encourage anyone interested
to participate in all our rule making. We will include anyone interes-
ted in developing a proposed rule with us. We will give anyone an op-
portunity to comment in writing on the proposed rules during the pub-
lic comment period and give oral testimony at the public hearings. Op-
portunities to participate in our rule-making activities will be lis-
ted on our website: <https://des.wa.gov/policies-legal/rulemaking>.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the
new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by
contacting Jack Zeigler, email jack.zeigler@des.wa.gov, website
<https://des.wa.gov/policies-legal/rulemaking>.

December 5, 2024
Jack Zeigler
Policy and Rules Manager

WSR 25-01-025

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

[Filed December 6, 2024, 4:55 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Chapter 51-11C WAC, Adoption and amendment of the 2024 Washington State Energy Code, Commercial provisions.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 19.27A.025.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The building code council is considering changes to the energy code to address new language included in chapter 19.27A RCW after the passage of Initiative 2066.

Process for Developing New Rule: Technical advisory group review.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Dustin Curb, P.O. Box 41449, phone 360-972-4158, email sbcc@des.wa.gov, website sbcc.wa.gov.

December 6, 2024
Daimon Doyle
Council Chair

WSR 25-01-026

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

[Filed December 6, 2024, 4:58 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Chapter 51-11R WAC, Adoption and amendment of the 2024 Washington State Energy Code, Residential provisions.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 19.27A.045.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The building code council is considering changes to the energy code to address new language included in chapter 19.27A RCW after the passage of Initiative 2066.

Process for Developing New Rule: Technical advisory group review.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Dustin Curb, P.O. Box 41449, phone 360-972-4158, email sbcc@des.wa.gov, website sbcc.wa.gov.

December 6, 2024

Daimon Doyle

Council Chair

WSR 25-01-038

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

[Order 24-12—Filed December 10, 2024, 7:16 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: The department of ecology (ecology) is considering amendments to sections under chapter 173-350 WAC. This rule making will focus on amendments and new language related to organic materials management. These amendments will consider standards to address contamination in organic waste and finished products such as compost. Ecology is also considering amendments that cover additional organic materials management practices.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 70A.205.275 Rules—Department "deferring" to other permits—Application of section, and 70A.205.210 Duties of department—State solid waste management plan—Assistance—Coordination—Tire recycling.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: Ecology must amend its organic materials management regulations to address contamination in incoming food waste feedstocks and finished products at organic materials processing facilities, as required by RCW 70A.205.540. We will address current inequities and existing challenges in meeting requirements.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: The Washington department of agriculture, which has authority under RCW 15.135.080 to adopt rules that regulate agriculture in Washington. The United States Environmental Protection Agency, which has authority to ensure clean air, water, and land.

Process for Developing New Rule: Ecology will follow the standard process for adopting rules under the Administrative Procedure Act (chapter 34.05 RCW).

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Chris Fredley, Department of Ecology, Solid Waste Management Program, P.O. Box 47600, Olympia, WA 98504-7600, phone 564-233-1615, Washington relay service or TTY call 711 or 877-833-6341, email organicsrule@ecy.wa.gov, website <https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/laws-rules-rulemaking/rulemaking/wac-173-350-dec24>.

December 9, 2024

Peter Lyon

Solid Waste Management Program Manager

WSR 25-01-057

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

[Filed December 11, 2024, 12:00 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 182-511-1250 Apple health for workers with disabilities (HWD)—Premium payments; other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 41.05.021 and 41.05.160.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The health care authority (HCA) is amending WAC 182-511-1250 to add detail that will clarify how HCA determines countable income when calculating the program's premium. During this review, HCA may identify additional related changes that improve clarity or update policy.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: Social Security Administration.

Process for Developing New Rule: HCA welcomes the public to take part in developing this rule. If interested, contact the person identified below to receive an early rule draft to review. After the early review, HCA will send a notice of proposed rule making (CR-102) to everyone receiving this notice and anyone who requests a copy.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Brian Jensen, Rule-making Questions, P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, phone 360-725-0815, fax 360-586-9727, telecommunication relay services (TRS) 711, email brian.jensen@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking; or Paige Lewis, Program Questions, P.O. Box 42722, Olympia, WA 98504-2722, phone 360-725-0757, fax 360-586-9727, TRS 711, email paige.lewis@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking.

December 11, 2024
Wendy Barcus
Rules Coordinator

WSR 25-01-063

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

HORSE RACING COMMISSION

[Filed December 11, 2024, 4:02 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 260-08-675 Hearing before the commission.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 67.16.020.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The Washington horse racing commission may need to clarify its authority to amend penalties imposed by the stewards upon appeal.

Process for Developing New Rule: Negotiated rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Amanda Benton, 6326 Martin Way, Suite 209, Olympia, WA 98516, phone 360-450-6462, fax 360-450-6461, TTY 360-450-6462, email amanda.benton@whrc.state.wa.us, website www.whrc.wa.gov.

December 11, 2024
Amanda Benton
Executive Secretary

WSR 25-01-064

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
HORSE RACING COMMISSION

[Filed December 11, 2024, 4:02 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 260-24-500 Racing officials.
Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject:
RCW 67.16.020.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They
Might Accomplish: The Washington horse racing commission is consider-
ing adopting the Association of Racing Commissioners International
model rule regarding the accreditation requirements for stewards.

Process for Developing New Rule: Negotiated rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the
new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by
contacting Amanda Benton, 6326 Martin Way, Suite 209, Olympia, WA
98516, phone 360-459-6462, fax 360-459-6461, TTY 360-459-6462, email
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December 11, 2024
Amanda Benton
Executive Secretary

WSR 25-01-065

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

HORSE RACING COMMISSION

[Filed December 11, 2024, 4:03 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 260-49-070 Distribution of source market fees.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 67.16.020.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The Washington horse racing commission (commission) may need to consider adjusting the source market fee distribution to reflect the cost of duties performed by commission employees if a voluntary agreement with the Horse Racing Industry [Integrity and] Safety Authority and/or the Horse Racing Industry [Integrity and] Welfare Unit is signed.

Process for Developing New Rule: Negotiated rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Amanda Benton, 6326 Martin Way, Suite 209, Olympia, WA 98516, phone 360-459-6462, fax 360-459-6461, TTY 360-459-6462, email Amanda.benton@whrc.wa.gov, website www.whrc.wa.gov.

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Amanda Benton
Executive Secretary

WSR 25-01-068

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

HORSE RACING COMMISSION

[Filed December 11, 2024, 5:43 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 260-32-180 Fees.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject:
RCW 67.16.020.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They
Might Accomplish: The Washington horse racing commission is consider-
ing adopting the Association of Racing Commissioners International
model rule regarding requiring an agreement for jockey fees prior to
the race meet.

Process for Developing New Rule: Negotiated rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the
new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by
contacting Amanda Benton, 6326 Martin Way, Suite 209, Olympia, WA
98516, phone 360-450-6462, fax 360-450-6461, TTY 360-450-6462, email
Amanda.benton@whrc.state.wa.us, website www.whrc.wa.gov.

December 11, 2024
Amanda Benton
Executive Secretary

WSR 25-01-069

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
HORSE RACING COMMISSION

[Filed December 11, 2024, 5:44 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 260-70-685 Alphabetical listing of all drugs, medications, and foreign substances.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 67.16.020.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The Washington horse racing commission is considering updating the alphabetical listing of all drugs, medications, and foreign substances to match Association of Racing Commissioners International model rule uniform classification guidelines.

Process for Developing New Rule: Negotiated rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Amanda Benton, 6326 Martin Way, Suite 209, Olympia, WA 98516, phone 360-450-6462, fax 360-450-6461, TTY 360-450-6462, email Amanda.benton@whrc.state.wa.us, website www.whrc.wa.gov.

December 11, 2024
Amanda Benton
Executive Secretary

WSR 25-01-079
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
(Economic Services Administration)
[Filed December 12, 2024, 5:11 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: The department of social and health services (DSHS) is planning to amend the following WAC sections: WAC 388-400-0060 Who is eligible for aged, blind, or disabled (ABD) cash assistance?, 388-400-0070 Who is eligible for referral to the housing and essential needs (HEN) program?, 388-449-0200 Am I eligible for cash assistance for aged, blind, or disabled (ABD) while waiting for supplemental security income (SSI)?, 388-449-0210 What is interim assistance and how do I assign it to the department?, 388-474-0020 What can an aged, blind, or disabled (ABD) cash assistance client expect when supplemental security income (SSI) benefits begin?, and other related rules as may be required.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 74.04.005, 74.04.0052, 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.510, 74.04.655, 74.04.770, 74.04.805, 74.08.025, 74.08.043, 74.08.090, 74.08.335, 74.08A.100, and 74.62.030.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: Effective October 1, 2025, planned amendments will implement provisions of HB 1260 (chapter 289, Laws of 2023) which eliminate the requirement for ABD program recipients to repay the state for ABD benefits received for the same period as federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI). The monetary value of ABD benefits paid prior to October 1, 2025, that is duplicated by the person's receipt of SSI benefits for the same period remains a debt due to the state that is subject to recovery.

If applicable, these amendments will make additional changes required to improve clarity, update policy, or better align rule language with state and federal law or regulations.

Process for Developing New Rule: DSHS welcomes the public to take part in developing the rules. Anyone interested should contact the staff person identified below. At a later date, DSHS will file a proposal with the office of the code reviser with a notice of proposed rule making. A copy of the proposal will be sent to everyone on the mailing list and to anyone who requests a copy.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Lorri Burns, P.O. Box 45470, Olympia, WA 98504-5470, phone 509-385-9020, fax 360-725-4905, email Lorri.Burns3@dshs.wa.gov.

December 12, 2024
Katherine I. Vasquez
Rules Coordinator

WSR 25-01-089
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
(Aging and Long-Term Support Administration)
[Filed December 13, 2024, 11:12 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: The department of social and health services (department) is considering writing new rules to regulate providers of emergency transitional support services (ETSS), which are currently outlined in chapter 388-829Z WAC, and other related rules as may be required.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 71A.26.040.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: In accordance with the department's approved budget recommendation, residential care services (RCS) is planning to write new rules to establish a certification process that regulates ETSS providers. RCS will collaborate closely with the developmental disabilities administration throughout this rule-making process. During the course of this review, the department may make additional changes that are necessary to improve clarity or update policy.

Process for Developing New Rule: The department will use a collaborative rule-making process and notify interested parties of the opportunity to participate in development, review, and comment on the amended draft rules prior to proposing the amendment for adoption. The department welcomes the public to take part in developing the rules and anyone interested should contact the department representative listed below.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Lindsey Lozoskie, P.O. Box 45600, Olympia, WA 98513, phone 564-999-0210, email lindsey.lozoskie@dshs.wa.gov.

December 9, 2024
Katherine I. Vasquez
Rules Coordinator

WSR 25-01-098
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

[Filed December 13, 2024, 3:33 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 182-550-1400 Covered and noncovered revenue code categories and subcategories for inpatient hospital services and 182-550-1500 Covered and noncovered revenue code categories and subcategories for outpatient hospital services; other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 48.43.815, 41.05.021, 41.05.160.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The health care authority (agency) is amending these rules to align with RCW 48.43.815; and moving specific revenue categories/subcategories from noncovered to covered. During this review, the agency may identify additional related changes that improve clarity or update policy.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: The department of social and health services.

Process for Developing New Rule: The agency welcomes the public to take part in developing this rule. If interested, contact the person identified below to receive an early rule draft to review. After the early review, the agency will send a notice of proposed rule making (CR-102) to everyone receiving this notice and anyone who requests a copy.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Valerie Freudenstein (Rule-making Questions), P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, phone 360-725-1344, fax 360-586-9727, telecommunication relay services (TRS) 711, email valerie.freudenstein@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking; or Abby Cole (Program Questions), P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 360-725-1835, fax 360-586-9727, TRS 711, email abby.cole@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking.

December 13, 2024
Wendy Barcus
Rules Coordinator

WSR 25-01-099
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

[Filed December 13, 2024, 3:50 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 182-550-4900 Disproportionate share hospital (DSH) payments—General provision, 182-550-4935 DSH eligibility—Change in hospital ownership, 182-550-4940 Disproportionate share hospital independent audit findings and recoupment process, 182-550-5000 Payment method—Low income disproportionate share hospital (LIDSH), 182-550-5150 Payment method—Medical care services disproportionate share hospital (MCSDSH), 182-550-5200 Payment method—Small rural disproportionate share hospital (SRDSH), 182-550-5300 Payment method—Children's health program disproportionate share hospital (CHPDSH), and 182-550-5400 Payment method—Public hospital disproportionate share hospital (PHDSH); other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The health care authority (agency) is amending these rules as an overall housekeeping project. Additionally, the agency is removing definitions for "base year" and "uninsured patient," removing "with special needs" language from low-income clients, updating the abbreviation of the medicaid inpatient utilization rate from MIPUR to MIUR to align with Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, updating WAC cross referencing, standardizing language, removing language stating that the DSH application is posted to the agency's website, updating that the agency will use the medicare cost report rather than the DRDF to determine a hospital's MUIR, removing DSH programs no longer funded and not part of the program, and audit requests for additional information must be received 10 days from the initial notification. Also updating the name of the "provider data summary schedule (PDSS)" to "schedule of annual reporting requirements (SARR)." During the course of this review, the agency may identify additional related changes that are required in order to improve clarity or update policy.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: The department of social and health services.

Process for Developing New Rule: The agency welcomes the public to take part in developing this rule. If interested, contact the person identified below to receive an early rule draft to review. After the early review, the agency will send a notice of proposed rule making (CR-102) to everyone receiving this notice and anyone who requests a copy.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Valerie Freudenstein (Rule-making Questions), P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, phone 360-725-1344, fax 360-586-9727, telecommunication relay services (TRS) 711, email valerie.freudenstein@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking; or Mary O'Hare (Program Questions), P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 360-725-9820, fax 360-586-9727, TRS 711, email mary.ohare@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking.

December 13, 2024

Wendy Barcus

WSR 25-01-100
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
(Economic Services Administration)
[Filed December 13, 2024, 4:10 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: The department of social and health services (DSHS) is planning to amend WAC 388-478-0015 Need standards for cash assistance, and other rules as may be required.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.770, 74.08.090.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: Planned amendments are necessary per RCW 74.04.770, which requires DSHS to annually update standards of need using an existing, broadly used national standard. These amendments will reflect this required update using the University of Washington Center for Women's Welfare Self-Sufficiency Standard. As needed, amendments will also make additional changes required to improve clarity, update policy, or better align rule language with state and federal law or regulations.

Process for Developing New Rule: DSHS welcomes the public to take part in developing rules. Anyone interested should contact the staff person identified below. At a later date, DSHS will file a proposal with the office of the code reviser with a notice of proposed rule making. A copy of the proposal will be sent to everyone on the mailing list and to anyone who requests a copy.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Patrick Budde, P.O. Box 45470, Olympia, WA 98504-5470, phone 360-764-0068, fax 360-725-4905, email Patrick.Budde@dshs.wa.gov.

December 13, 2024
Katherine I. Vasquez
Rules Coordinator

WSR 25-01-117

**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
EASTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY**

[Filed December 16, 2024, 2:29 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 172-10-080 Cost of providing copies of public records.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 28B.35.120(12).

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: Update rules pertaining to the cost of public records requests.

Process for Developing New Rule: Negotiated rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Annika Scharosch, 211 Tawanka Hall, Eastern Washington University, Cheney, WA 99004, phone 509-359-6724, email ascharosch@ewu.edu, website <https://inside.ewu.edu/policies/>.

December 16, 2024
Annika Scharosch
Associate Vice President

WSR 25-01-133
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF
LABOR AND INDUSTRIES
(Division of Occupational Safety and Health)
[Filed December 17, 2024, 9:01 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Worker walk around rule; chapter 296-900 WAC, Administrative rules.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 49.17.010, 49.17.040, 49.17.050, and 49.17.060.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The department of labor and industries (L&I) is initiating rule making for chapter 296-900 WAC, Administrative rules.

This rule making will implement the requirements of the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) regulation 29 C.F.R. 1903.8, Representatives of employers and employees, which became effective on May 31, 2024, making L&I at least as effective as OSHA.

OSHA's regulation, 29 C.F.R. 1903.8, allows the employer and employees the right to authorize a representative to accompany OSHA officials during a workplace inspection. Employees can authorize another employee to serve as their representative or select a third party. If a third party is chosen, the OSHA official must be shown why a nonemployee is reasonably necessary to accompany them on an inspection, including but not limited to, their knowledge, skills, or experience with similar workplace hazards or conditions. OSHA officials are authorized to deny the right of accompaniment of any person whose conduct obstructs an inspection from being performed fairly.

Other housekeeping updates may occur during rule making.

Process for Developing New Rule: L&I's division of occupational safety and health (DOSH) will conduct stakeholder meetings to allow those affected by the rule to provide input to this rule preproposal. Parties interested in the formulation of these rules may contact the individual listed below. After L&I proposes amendments, the public may also participate by giving oral testimony or submitting written comments during the public hearing process.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Tari Enos, Administrative Regulations Analyst, L&I, DOSH, P.O. Box 44620, Olympia, WA 98504-4620, phone 360-902-5541, fax 360-902-5619, email Tari.Enos@Lni.wa.gov.

Additional comments: For more information on L&I rule making, visit L&I's Rulemaking Activity web page at <https://www.lni.wa.gov/rulemaking-activity/>.

December 17, 2024
Joel Sacks
Director

WSR 25-01-140
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
CRIMINAL JUSTICE
TRAINING COMMISSION

[Filed December 17, 2024, 12:23 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Revising WAC 139-07-010 to clarify the background requirements for law enforcement and corrections agencies.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 43.101.080.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The rule change will add language clarifying when a background check does not meet the certification requirements of RCW 43.101.105.

Process for Developing New Rule: Intergovernmental rule making that only applies to other governmental agencies or solely impacts the Washington state criminal justice training commission's rules.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Lacey Ledford, 19010 1st Avenue South, Burien, WA 98148, phone 206-835-7300, email Lacey.Ledford@cjtc.wa.gov, website cjtc.wa.gov.

December 17, 2024
Lacey Ledford
Rules Coordinator

**WSR 25-01-157
WITHDRAWAL OF
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
LIQUOR AND CANNABIS
BOARD**

[Filed December 18, 2024, 10:17 a.m.]

Consistent with RCW 34.05.335 and WAC 1-21-060, the Washington state liquor and cannabis board is withdrawing its preproposal statement of inquiry (CR-101) filed as WSR 24-21-050 on October 9, 2024, regarding the use of employee stock ownership plans as ownership structure for cannabis and liquor licensees.

Jim Vollendroff
Acting Board Chair