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WSR 23-11-005 PROPOSED RULES BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

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Original Notice.

Preproposal statement of inquiry was filed as WSR 23-04-068. Title of Rule and Other Identifying Information: WAC 4-30-022 What is the board's meeting schedule and how are officers elected? Hearing Location(s): On July 21, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., at Holiday Inn Express & Suites, Chardonnay/Semillon/Riesling Rooms, 4525 Convention Place, Pasco, WA 99301; or Microsoft Teams meeting. The link to join the meeting will be available on the board of accountancy's (board) website approximately two weeks before the hearing date at https://acb.wa.gov/next-board-meeting. A phone number will be provided as well in case you are unable to attend online.

Date of Intended Adoption: July 21, 2023.

Submit Written Comments to: Kirsten Donovan, Rules Coordinator, P.O. Box 9131, Olympia, WA 98507, email Kirsten.donovan@acb.wa.gov, fax 360-664-9190, by July 19, 2023.

Assistance for Persons with Disabilities: Contact Kirsten Donovan, rules coordinator, phone 360-664-9191, fax 360-664-9190, TTY 711, email Kirsten.donovan@acb.wa.gov, by July 19, 2023.

Purpose of the Proposal and Its Anticipated Effects, Including Any Changes in Existing Rules: The board proposes amending WAC 4-30-022 to: (1) Provide guidance for resignations, vacancies, and removal of board officers; and (2) rename the rule.

Reasons Supporting Proposal: See purpose.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 18.04.055.

Statute Being Implemented: RCW 18.04.055.

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

Name of Proponent: Board of accountancy, governmental.

Name of Agency Personnel Responsible for Drafting, Implementation, and Enforcement: Michael J. Paquette, CPA, 711 Capitol Way South, Suite 400, Olympia, WA 98501, 360-485-1659.

A school district fiscal impact statement is not required under RCW 28A.305.135.

A cost-benefit analysis is not required under RCW 34.05.328. The board is not a listed agency in RCW 34.05.328 (5)(a)(i).

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt from requirements of the Regulatory Fairness Act because the proposal:

Is exempt under RCW 19.85.025(4). Scope of exemption for rule proposal:

Is fully exempt.

May 4, 2023 Michael J. Paquette, CPA Executive Director

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 10-24-009, filed 11/18/10, effective 12/19/10)

WAC 4-30-022 ((What is the board's meeting schedule and how are officers elected?)) Meetings and officers. (1) Meetings.

- (a) Regular board meetings begin at 9:00 a.m. on the last Friday of the month in the months of January, April and July or as otherwise determined by the board. The board holds an annual meeting beginning at 9:00 a.m. on the last Friday of October or as otherwise determined by the board.
- ((The board consists of nine members.)) (b) Either the chair or a quorum of the board has the authority to call special meetings of the board. The chair presides at all meetings. In the event of the chair's absence or inability to act, the vice chair presides.
 - (c) The board determines duties of the officers.
- (d) The board's meetings are open public meetings conducted pursuant to chapter 42.30 RCW. WAC 4-30-026 provides information on how to contact the board's office for meeting times and locations or additional information regarding the board's activities.
 - (2) Officers.
- (a) At the annual meeting the board elects the chair, vice chair, and secretary from its members. The newly elected officers assume the duties of their offices on January 1 following the annual board meeting.
- (b) Officers serve a term of one year and can be reelected for one additional term.
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The board's meetings are open public meetings conducted pursuant to chapter 42.30 RCW. WAC 4-30-026 provides information on how to contact the board's office for meeting times and locations or additional information regarding the board's activities.)) (c) Any officer may resign their position by tendering a written resignation to the board.

- (d) If a vacancy shall occur in an officer position, the board may either elect a member to fill the officer vacancy for the unexpired term or allow the position to remain vacant until the end of that position's term. If the board decides to elect a member to fill the unexpired term of the officer position, it shall give notice of the board meeting at which a member is to be elected to fill the vacancy. A majority of the board serving is required to elect a member to fill a vacancy. Partial terms do not count against term limits for officers.
- (e) The removal of any officer shall require a majority of the serving board plus one additional member including all current officers, provided such action shall not be taken unless notice of such action and vote has been included in the notice for the board meeting.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.04.055, 42.30.070. WSR 10-24-009, amended and recodified as § 4-30-022, filed 11/18/10, effective 12/19/10; WSR 07-14-034, § 4-25-510, filed 6/26/07, effective 7/27/07; WSR 05-01-137, § 4-25-510, filed 12/16/04, effective 1/31/05; WSR 01-22-036, § 4-25-510, filed 10/30/01, effective 12/1/01; WSR 00-11-068, § 4-25-510, filed 5/15/00, effective 6/30/00; WSR 99-18-111, § 4-25-510, filed 9/1/99, effective 1/1/00. Statutory Au-

thority: RCW 18.04.055. WSR 93-12-077, § 4-25-510, filed 5/27/93, effective 7/1/93.]