WSR 23-20-107 PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION [Filed October 3, 2023, 11:47 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Adopting a new rule in chapter 391-45 WAC that governs compliance of remedial orders in unfair labor practice cases. Amending WAC 391-35-020 to clarify timeliness for unit clarification proceedings. Making typographical corrections to other existing rules.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 28B.52.080, 41.56.090, 41.58.050, 41.59.110, 41.76.060, 47.64.135, and 49.39.060.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The agency currently lacks a rule that provides structure to the compliance process for remedial orders in unfair labor practice cases. WAC 391-35-020, as currently drafted, may cause confusion as to when positions may be removed from a bargaining unit due to a change in circumstances. Agency staff identified typographical errors in certain rules that need to be corrected.

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 Michael Sellars, 112 Henry Street, Suite 300, phone 360-570-7300, fax 360-570-7334, email info@perc.wa.gov, website www.perc.wa.gov.

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