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WSR 23-23-178 PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Chapter 308-81 WAC is a new chapter of rule that will establish transportation network company licensure under HB [ESHB] 2076 passed during the 2022 legislative session. The rules will support licensing and auditing of company records per chapter 46.72B RCW. During chapter creation, the department of licensing (DOL) will consider rule making necessary to implement HB [ESHB] 2076, align rule to current policies or practice, identify law references, consider rule readability, and make other changes identified during the WAC review.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 46.72B.160 Rules.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: DOL is creating a new rule chapter to support implementation of HB [ESHB] 2076 regarding transportation network companies per the requirements of chapter 46.72B RCW by specifying the process for auditing company records to create uniform regulation for transportation network companies.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: The department of revenue processes license intake for transportation network companies. The office of the insurance commissioner, the human rights commission, and the department of labor and industries may have relevance to this rule making. As necessary, DOL will engage these agencies to coordinate this rule.

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 Kelsey Stone, 1125 Washington Street S.E., phone 360-902-0131, email rulescoordinator@dol.wa.gov, website dol.wa.gov/ about/rulemaking-activity; or Evelyn Manley-Rodriguez, 405 Black Lake Boulevard S.W., Olympia, WA 98502, phone 360-688-8253, email evelyn.manleyrodriguez@dol.wa.gov.

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