

**WSR 25-12-003**  
**WITHDRAWAL OF**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

[Filed May 21, 2025, 1:11 p.m.]

This memo serves as notice that the department of health (department) is withdrawing the preproposal statement of inquiry filed as WSR 21-21-105 on October 19, 2021. This filing considered amending WAC 246-11-420 Application of brief adjudicative proceedings, in the model procedural rules for health profession boards and commissions. The department was considering amending rules in this section to add interstate license compacts appeals in the brief adjudicative proceedings (BAP) process.

The department is withdrawing this CR-101 in order to consolidate the efforts with similar rule making under WSR 24-08-043, filed on March 27, 2024. The department will consolidate into a single rule-making consideration of expanding the types of categories of hearings eligible for BAPs under health profession boards and commissions as well as those that fall under the authority of the secretary of health. A new CR-101 has been filed on this topic as WSR 25-11-080 on May 21, 2025.

Individuals requiring information on this should contact Erin Brewster, policy coordinator, email erin.brewster@doh.wa.gov, phone 360-545-7315.

Tami M. Thompson  
Regulatory Affairs Manager

**WSR 25-12-004**  
**WITHDRAWAL OF**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

[Filed May 21, 2025, 1:14 p.m.]

This memo serves as notice that the department of health (department) is withdrawing the preproposal statement of inquiry filed as WSR 21-21-105 [24-08-043] on October 19, 2021 [March 27, 2024]. This filing considered amending WAC 246-10-501 Application of brief adjudicative proceedings, under the authority of the department. The department was considering amending rules in this section to include interstate license compacts, milk bank applicants, and 988-line crisis call center applicants in the list of eligible applicant types.

The department is withdrawing this CR-101 in order to consolidate the efforts with similar rule making under WSR 21-21-105, filed on October 19, 2021. The department will consolidate into a single rule-making consideration of expanding the types of categories of hearings eligible for brief adjudicative proceedings under health profession boards and commissions as well as those that fall under the authority of the secretary of health. A new CR-101 has been filed on this topic as WSR 25-11-080 on May 21, 2025.

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Tami M. Thompson  
Regulatory Affairs Manager

**WSR 25-12-008**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF**  
**SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES**  
(Economic Services Administration)  
[Filed May 21, 2025, 4:28 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: The department of social and health services (department) is planning to amend WAC 388-410-0005 Cash assistance overpayment amount and liability; and other related 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, 74.04.500, 74.04.510, 74.08.090, and 74.08A.120.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: Effective July 1, 2025, planned amendments will implement provisions of SB 5079 (chapter 331, Laws of 2025), related to the aged, blind, or disabled program. 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: The department invites the interested public to review and provide input on the draft language of this rule. Draft material and information about how to participate may be obtained from the department representative listed below. At a later date, the department 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 Sam Del Vecchio, P.O. Box 45470, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 564-233-1647, TTY 711 relay service, email samantha.del-vecchio@dshs.wa.gov.

May 21, 2025  
Katherine I. Vasquez  
Rules Coordinator

**WSR 25-12-014**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**  
(Washington Medical Commission)  
[Filed May 22, 2025, 11:51 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Allopathic physicians (MD) chapter rule review. The Washington medical commission (commission) is considering amending the following rules to modernize language, add clarity, and bring the rules more in line with current practice: WAC 246-919-010 through 246-919-520; and WAC 246-919-602 through 246-919-700.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 18.71.015 and 18.130.050.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The commission is considering updating rules to more closely align with current industry standards and provide clearer rule language for licensed MDs. In addition, RCW 43.70.041 requires the commission to review its administrative rules every five years to ensure that regulations are current and relevant. As part of this effort, the commission is also considering incorporating its interpretive statements into rule to provide greater clarity and consistency. Rule amendments being considered will potentially benefit the public's health by ensuring participating providers are informed and regulated by current national industry and best practice standards.

Process for Developing New Rule: Collaborative rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Amelia Boyd, Program Manager, P.O. Box 47866, Olympia, WA 98504-7866, phone 360-918-6336, TTY 711, email [amelia.boyd@wmc.wa.gov](mailto:amelia.boyd@wmc.wa.gov), website <https://wmc.wa.gov>.

Additional comments: To join the interested parties email list, please visit [https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WADOH/subscriber/new?topic\\_id=WADOH\\_153](https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WADOH/subscriber/new?topic_id=WADOH_153).

May 19, 2025  
Kyle S. Karinen  
Executive Director

**WSR 25-12-017**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY**

[Filed May 22, 2025, 12:17 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Rules to be added under a new chapter 182-145 WAC, related to the preadmission screening and resident review (PASRR) process; 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 (agency) is developing new rules relating to behavioral health PASRR requirements for people with mental illness. 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: Negotiated rule making; and 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 Melinda Froud, Rule-making Questions, P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, phone 360-725-1408, fax 360-586-9727, telecommunication relay services (TRS) 711, email [melinda.froud@hca.wa.gov](mailto:melinda.froud@hca.wa.gov), website [www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking](http://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking); or Elizabeth Loska, Program Questions, P.O. Box 45530, Olympia, WA 98504-5530, phone 360-725-1478, fax 360-586-9727, TRS 711, email [beth.loska@hca.wa.gov](mailto:beth.loska@hca.wa.gov), website [www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking](http://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking).

May 22, 2025  
Wendy Barcus  
Rules Coordinator

**WSR 25-12-025**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF**  
**SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES**  
(Home and Community Living Administration)  
(Residential Care Services)  
[Filed May 27, 2025, 9:15 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: The department of social and health services (department) is considering amending sections in chapter 388-78A WAC, Assisted living facility licensing rules, related to E2SSB 5337 (chapter 187, Laws of 2025) Assisted living facilities—Memory care services. This rule making may result in adopting new sections of rule. The department may amend other related rules as necessary.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 18.20.090.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The legislature passed E2SSB 5337 Assisted living facilities—Memory care services. This bill established a definition for dementia and memory care unit or facility and created criteria for memory care certification. The bill also outlines physical environment requirements, care and service requirements, enforcement actions for facilities that operate without certification, and a separate disclosure describing staffing in the memory care facility or unit. The department is considering updates to definitions, adding new sections, and amending current sections of chapter 388-78A WAC to meet the requirements of the legislation.

Process for Developing New Rule: The department will use a collaborative rule-making process to develop and receive comments on draft rules. Contact the staff listed below to receive draft material and information about how to participate in the rule-making process.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Tamara Tredo, P.O. Box 45600, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 360-999-0237, TTY 711 relay service, email tamara.tredo@dshs.wa.gov.

May 27, 2025  
Katherine I. Vasquez  
Rules Coordinator

**WSR 25-12-032**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**SUPERINTENDENT OF**  
**PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**

[Filed May 27, 2025, 1:23 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 392-123-140 Interfund loans allowable.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 28A.150.290, 28A.710.220, and 28A.315.221.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The purpose of this amended WAC is to allow school districts in binding conditions to loan money from their transportation vehicle fund (TVF) to their general fund in order to maintain a positive cash flow in their general fund. When other binding condition efforts fail to resolve the district's financial issues and insolvency is imminent, and to ensure that the district will have a positive cash flow to meet obligations, they need to be able to borrow from TVF.

Process for Developing New Rule: Early solicitation of feedback and recommendations concerning new or amended rules, and consideration of comments and recommendations in the course of drafting rule language.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Shawn Lewis, Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, P.O. Box 47200, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 360-725-6019, TTY 360-664-3631, website [ospi.k12.wa.us](http://ospi.k12.wa.us).

May 27, 2025  
Chris P.S. Reykdal  
State Superintendent of Public Instruction

**WSR 25-12-033  
WITHDRAWAL OF  
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY  
DEPARTMENT OF  
SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES**

[Filed May 27, 2025, 3:01 p.m.]

The developmental disabilities administration requests the withdrawal of preproposal statement of inquiry notice filed as WSR 25-02-063 on December 23, 2024 (chapter 388-829Z WAC), regarding emergency transitional support services.

The withdrawal should be effective immediately upon filing.

Katherine I. Vasquez  
Rules Coordinator

**WSR 25-12-038  
WITHDRAWAL OF  
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY  
DEPARTMENT OF  
SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES**

[Filed May 28, 2025, 9:32 a.m.]

The economic services administration requests the withdrawal of preproposal statement of inquiry notice filed as WSR 25-01-079 on December 12, 2024 (WAC 388-400-0060, 388-400-0070, 388-449-0200, 388-449-0210, and 388-474-0020), regarding aged, blind, and disabled repayments when supplemental security income is received.

The withdrawal should be effective immediately upon filing.

Katherine I. Vasquez  
Rules Coordinator

**WSR 25-12-043**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

[Filed May 28, 2025, 12:30 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Adopting rules for hospital emergency care, including emergency abortion care, in Washington state. The department of health (department) is considering amendments to WAC 246-320-010 and 246-320-281 and other related rules if appropriate in accordance with recently passed legislation and Directive of the Governor 25-01 to ensure access to treatment, including abortion care, for emergency medical conditions in hospital emergency departments and protection of a pregnant person's right to exercise informed consent in prioritizing their health and safety when receiving treatment for emergency medical conditions in hospital emergency departments.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 70.41.030 and ESSB 5557 (chapter 182, Laws of 2025).

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The department is considering rule making to provide direction for hospitals and providers regarding the legal requirements to provide emergency care in Washington state.

Potential changes to federal standards may cause confusion for providers and hospital emergency departments. To address this concern, Directive of the Governor 25-01 directs the department to reaffirm existing state legal requirements for hospitals and emergency departments under the federal Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act. This includes the existing requirement that hospital emergency departments provide emergency services and provide treatment, including abortion where warranted, to a pregnant person with an emergency medical condition according to the standard of care, or to make a legally authorized transfer.

Additionally, the 2025 Washington state legislature passed ESSB 5557 that codified these emergency medical standards into state law. To comply with Directive of the Governor 25-01 and ESSB 5557, the department filed emergency rules on January 13, 2025, as WSR 25-03-056, and most recently on May 12, 2025, as WSR 25-11-018.

Permanent rule making would provide clear legal requirements regarding the provision of emergency services, including abortion care if necessary, according to the standard of care and the informed consent of pregnant persons. This will provide clarity for hospital emergency departments and providers regarding the legal expectations for emergency care in Washington state and implement ESSB 5557. Rules will promote access to necessary and life saving care while protecting health care providers' ability to serve their patients and exercise their professional judgment.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: The department will consider coordination with other agencies as applicable and necessary.

Process for Developing New Rule: Collaborative rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Ian Corbridge, P.O. Box 47850, Olympia, WA 98504-7850, TTY 711, email ochsfacilities@doh.wa.gov, website doh.wa.gov.

Additional comments: Interested parties can participate in drafting the proposed rules. The department will conduct one or more rule

workshops. Rule-making notices will be delivered via the GovDelivery acute care hospital interested parties list. To receive notices, interested persons may go to <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WADOH/subscriber/new>. After signing in, please click open the box labeled "Health Systems Quality Assurance." Next, click open the box labeled "Facilities Licensing and Certificate of Need" and then check "Facilities" and "Hospitals." You may check other boxes next to one or more of the facilities or programs listed to receive information regarding those facilities and programs.

May 28, 2025  
Todd Mountin, PMP  
Deputy Chief of Policy  
for Jessica Todorovich, MS  
Acting Secretary of Health

## WSR 25-12-047

**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY  
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DEPARTMENT**

[Filed May 28, 2025, 3:10 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: The employment security department (department), leave and care division, is considering rules for the long-term services and supports trust (WA Cares fund) program to implement portions of ESSB 5291 (chapter 380, Laws of 2025). Rules may include implementation of a pilot project, requirements regarding qualifying for benefits, a new voluntary exemption for off-duty civilian employment for active-duty service members, automatic exemptions for nonimmigrant work visa holders, voluntary rescission of private long-term care insurance exemptions, and collective bargaining agreement participation requirements. Additional rules to implement other portions of chapter 50B.04 RCW may be considered as necessary.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 50B.04.020, 50B.04.050, 50B.04.055, and 50B.04.085; and ESSB 5291 (chapter 380, Laws of 2025).

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The department must implement and administer portions of chapter 50B.04 RCW and changes made to the law by ESSB 5291. Rules will ensure clear guidance is available for implementation and administration.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: The Washington state health care authority, department of social and health services, and office of the state actuary also have program implementation and administration responsibilities under chapter 50B.04 RCW. Drafts of rules will be shared with these agencies and feedback will be requested from them throughout the rule-making process.

Process for Developing New Rule: Collaborative rule making. The draft rules will be shared with the public, stakeholders, and other agencies responsible for the WA Cares fund program. The department will solicit input from all involved parties and consider all comments in the development of the final rules.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Janette Benham, 212 Maple Park Avenue S.E., Olympia, WA 98501, phone 360-790-6583, TTY relay 771 [711], email [rules@esd.wa.gov](mailto:rules@esd.wa.gov), website [wacaresfund.wa.gov/rulemaking/](http://wacaresfund.wa.gov/rulemaking/); or Theresa Eckstein, phone 360-507-9890, email [teckstein@esd.wa.gov](mailto:teckstein@esd.wa.gov).

May 28, 2025  
April Amundson  
Policy and Rules Manager  
ESPI, Leave and Care Programs

**WSR 25-12-055**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

[Filed May 29, 2025, 11:29 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Chapter 246-780 WAC, Farmers market nutrition program. The department of health (DOH) is considering amending chapter 246-780 WAC to implement ESSB [SSB] 5214. The rules would allow mobile markets to participate in the farmers market nutrition program (FMNP).

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 43.70.700 and 43.70.120.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: In 2025, the Washington state legislature passed ESSB [SSB] 5214 with the intent to establish a mobile market program within FMNP with the goal of increasing nutrition access to participants of the women, infants and children (WIC) program and the senior farmers market nutrition program (SFMNP). Rule making is necessary to implement new statutory requirements in ESSB [SSB] 5214 which requires mobile markets to be operated by a nonprofit organization and prevents market competition between a mobile market and a farmers market that is participating in FMNP.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: FMNP is subject to funding from the United States Department of Agriculture, which oversees the regional market program and other programs related to farmers markets. The FMNP program will notify the regional market program about rule making for the mobile market program.

SFMNP is run through the department of social and health services (DSHS) and relies on DOH for administration of an electronic benefits system, growers, and markets. The FMNP program will gather input and consult with DSHS on the proposed rules for the mobile market program.

Process for Developing New Rule: Collaborative rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Karen Mullen, P.O. Box 47380, Olympia, WA 98504-7903, phone 360-515-8279, fax 360-236-2601, TTY 711, email karen.mullen@doh.wa.gov, website doh.wa.gov; or Me'Kyel Bailey, P.O. Box 47380, Olympia, WA 98504-7903, phone 360-764-9161, fax 360-236-2601, TTY 711, email mekyel.bailey@doh.wa.gov, website doh.wa.gov [doh.wa.gov].

Additional comments: If you are interested in this rule making and want to be on the interested parties list, please email Karen Mullen at karen.mullen@doh.wa.gov.

May 27, 2025  
Kristin Peterson, JD  
Chief of Policy  
for Jessica Todorovich, MS  
Acting Secretary of Health

## WSR 25-12-056

**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY  
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DEPARTMENT**

[Filed May 29, 2025, 12:52 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: The employment security department (department), leave and care division, is considering rules for the paid family and medical leave (PFML) program to implement portions of E2SHB 1213 (chapter 304, Laws of 2025), and SSB 5191 (chapter 178, Laws of 2025). Rules may include implementation of legislative changes related to benefit eligibility requirements, employer sizing, small business grants, definitions, and employment restoration rights. Additional rules to implement other portions of Title 50A RCW may be considered as necessary.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 50A.05.060; E2SHB 1213 (chapter 304, Laws of 2025), and SSB 5191 (chapter 178, Laws of 2025).

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The department must implement and administer portions of Title 50A RCW and changes made to the law by E2SHB 1213 and SSB 5191. Rules will ensure clear guidance is available for implementation and administration.

Process for Developing New Rule: Collaborative rule making. The draft rules will be shared with the public, stakeholders, and other agencies responsible for the PFML program. The department will solicit input from all involved parties and consider all comments in the development of the final rules.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Janette Benham, 212 Maple Park Avenue S.E., Olympia, WA 98501, phone 360-790-6583; TTY Theresa Eckstein, relay 771 [711], 360-507-9890, or teckstein@esd.wa.gov; email rules@esd.wa.gov, website [paidleave.wa.gov/rulemaking/](http://paidleave.wa.gov/rulemaking/).

May 29, 2025  
April Amundson  
Policy and Rules Manager  
ESPI, Leave and Care Programs

**WSR 25-12-070**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY**

[Filed May 30, 2025, 11:04 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Chapter 182-549 WAC, Rural health clinics (RHC); 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 (agency) is amending this chapter to clarify rules for RHCs applying for a change in scope-rate adjustment and an interim-rate to final-rate adjustment. Additionally, the agency plans to add detailed clarification to the rules regarding adding dental services to an RHC through a change in scope application. 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 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid 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](mailto:valerie.freudenstein@hca.wa.gov), website [www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking](http://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking); or Patrick Miles, Program Questions, P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, phone 360-725-0917, fax 360-586-9727, TRS 711, email [Patrick.miles@hca.wa.gov](mailto:Patrick.miles@hca.wa.gov), website [www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking](http://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking).

May 30, 2025  
Wendy Barcus  
Rules Coordinator

**WSR 25-12-078**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**  
(Board of Hearing and Speech)  
[Filed June 2, 2025, 7:06 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Prescription hearing aids; requirements for initial fitting and hearing tests. The board of hearing and speech (board) is considering amendments to WAC 246-828-025, 246-828-090, 246-828-095, 246-828-100, 246-828-320, 246-828-330, and other sections, including potentially creating new sections in chapter 246-828 WAC related to prescription hearing aids and hearing test requirements. The board is considering addressing telepractice for initial fittings of hearing aids and considering how recent the hearing test must be when fitting prescription hearing aids.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 18.35.161.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The board is interested in exploring telepractice and its implications for initial fitting of prescription hearing aids. Specific questions regarding physical examination, fit validation, and verification of device efficacy are of interest to the board when initial fittings are completed virtually. The board may amend initial hearing aid fitting requirements to ensure that ear health, device comfort, and optimal amplification are effectively assessed.

The board is also considering requiring that hearing tests for prescription hearing aid fittings should be no older than six months. Amending this time frame requirement to extend to all hearing aid fittings could enhance patient outcomes and ensure that clinicians have up-to-date hearing data for accurate fittings.

Process for Developing New Rule: Collaborative rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Kim-Boi Shadduck, Program Manager, P.O. Box 47852, Olympia, WA 98504-7852, phone 360-236-2912, TTY 711, email kimboi.shadduck@doh.wa.gov, website www.doh.wa.gov.

Additional comments: Interested parties can participate in drafting the proposed rules. The board will be conducting rules workshops with the interested parties and subject matter experts. The board will use the GovDelivery board of hearing and speech list to inform interested parties of opportunities to provide input on proposed rule language. To receive notices, please go to <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WADOH/subscriber/new>. After signing in, please click open the box labeled "Health Systems Quality Assurance." Next, click open the box labeled "Health Professions" and then check "Board of Hearing and Speech." You may also check the box next to one or more of the other professions or facilities listed to receive information related that specific topic.

May 2, 2025  
Jennifer Santiago  
Executive Director  
Office of Health Professions

**WSR 25-12-089  
WITHDRAWAL OF  
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY  
DEPARTMENT OF  
LABOR AND INDUSTRIES**

[Filed June 3, 2025, 8:36 a.m.]

The department of labor and industries is withdrawing the preproposal statement of inquiry for rule making to establish standards in rule under chapter 296-23 WAC for corecording by an independent medical examination provider when a worker consents, filed on August 21, 2024, and published under WSR 24-17-141.

If you have any questions, contact Maggie Leland, policy director and rules coordinator, 360-902-4504, Maggie.Leland@Lni.wa.gov.

Maggie Leland  
Rules Coordinator

**WSR 25-12-090  
WITHDRAWAL OF  
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY  
DEPARTMENT OF  
LABOR AND INDUSTRIES**

[Filed June 3, 2025, 8:41 a.m.]

The department of labor and industries is withdrawing the preproposal statement of inquiry for pilot rule making to establish standards in rule under chapter 296-23 WAC for third-party recording of an independent medical examination when a worker consents, filed on August 21, 2024, and published under WSR 24-17-142.

If you have any questions, please contact Maggie Leland, policy director and rules coordinator, 360-902-4504, Maggie.Leland@Lni.wa.gov.

Maggie Leland  
Rules Coordinator

**WSR 25-12-091**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**CRIMINAL JUSTICE**  
**TRAINING COMMISSION**

[Filed June 3, 2025, 10:59 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Revising WAC 139-06-060, 139-06-070, 139-06-080, and 139-06-110 for consistency and compliance with recent law changes in SB 5224, updated administrative procedures, and any other applicable updates as needed.

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: These WAC guide stakeholders on the certification hearings process. The recent passage of SB 5224 has resulted in the need for updates to WAC 139-06-060, 139-06-070, and 139-06-110 to be consistent with state law. The Washington state criminal justice training commission (WSCJTC) is updating WAC 139-06-080 to be in accordance with Administrative Procedure Act service rules for the filing of documents. Other general or consistency updates will also be included.

Process for Developing New Rule: Intergovernmental rule making that only applies to other governmental agencies or solely impacts the WSCJTC'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.

June 3, 2025  
Lacey Ledford  
Rules Coordinator

**WSR 25-12-093**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF**  
**LABOR AND INDUSTRIES**

[Filed June 3, 2025, 1:50 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Chapter 296-127 WAC, Prevailing wage. Establishing prevailing wage rates from multiple collective bargaining agreements (CBAs), including a dispute resolution process.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: Chapter 39.12 RCW, Prevailing wages on public works.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The department of labor and industries (L&I) received and accepted a petition for rule making to establish an interested party dispute resolution process that L&I would engage when determining appropriate CBAs to establish a prevailing wage rate for a trade and occupation in a county. Rules are needed for a clear process to establish rates as well as a process for dispute resolution. A clear process for establishing the relevant CBAs for a given occupation as well as resolving disputes will benefit stakeholders by providing consistency and transparency.

Process for Developing New Rule: Parties interested in these rules may contact the individual listed below. The public may also participate by providing written comments and/or testimony during the public comment process after amendments are proposed. A public hearing will be held during that period.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Ethan Whitener, L&I, Fraud Prevention and Labor Standards, Prevailing Wage Program, P.O. Box 44530, Olympia, WA 98504-44530, phone 360-890-6139, email [Ethan.Whitener@Lni.wa.gov](mailto:Ethan.Whitener@Lni.wa.gov), website [PWRules@Lni.wa.gov](mailto:PWRules@Lni.wa.gov); or Ramona Christensen-Russell, L&I, Fraud Prevention and Labor Standards, Prevailing Wage Program, P.O. Box 44530, Olympia, WA 98504-44530, phone 564-999-1904, email [Ramona.Christensen-Russell@Lni.wa.gov](mailto:Ramona.Christensen-Russell@Lni.wa.gov), website [PWRules@Lni.wa.gov](mailto:PWRules@Lni.wa.gov).

June 3, 2025  
Joel Sacks  
Director

**WSR 25-12-094**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**POLLUTION LIABILITY**  
**INSURANCE AGENCY**

[Filed June 3, 2025, 1:52 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: The pollution liability insurance agency (PLIA) proposes to amend chapter 374-70 WAC, Heating oil pollution liability insurance program, to reflect statutory updates and how PLIA administers the program.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 70A.330.040.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: Under RCW 70A.330.040, Washington's legislature authorized PLIA to establish the heating oil pollution liability insurance program to assist owners and operators of heating oil tanks. In 2020, the legislature directed PLIA to transition the heating oil insurance program to the agency's revolving loan and grant program described in chapter 70A.345 RCW. To complete this transition, PLIA has since made updates in how the heating oil insurance program is administered and requires these updates to be reflected in rules.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: PLIA provides advice and technical assistance to heating oil tank owners with a confirmed release and pays for cleanup costs for program registrants. PLIA's services ensure that cleanup efforts meet the substantive requirements of the Model Toxics Control Act, chapter 70A.305 RCW and chapter 173-340 WAC. The department of ecology regulates and enforces cleanup of hazardous sites such as those with heating oil contamination. PLIA will communicate with and inform the department of ecology of potential impacts.

Process for Developing New Rule: PLIA will follow the standard process for the adoption of 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 Keith Bradley-Hewitt, P.O. Box 40930, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 800-822-3905, email rules@plia.wa.gov, website www.plia.wa.gov.

June 3, 2025  
Keith Bradley-Hewitt  
Community Outreach Specialist

**WSR 25-12-095**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**  
[Filed June 3, 2025, 2:32 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Implementation of 2025 legislation (SHB 1543, 69th legislature, 2025 regular session) authorizing the department of commerce (commerce) to adopt additional compliance pathways, expand exemption criteria, and approve extensions for covered buildings to comply with the clean buildings performance standard (chapter 19.27A RCW). This rule making will explore options to increase flexibility and compliance options, as well as eligibility for exemptions, to help building owners plan for and meet the standards of the law.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 19.27A.210.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: SHB 1543 enables broader compliance with the clean buildings performance standard by reducing financial barriers and increasing flexibility for building owners. This flexibility will enable more building owners to plan and manage building upgrades that will help Washington's built environment stay on pace with economy wide carbon emissions reductions required in statute. Rule making is necessary to align the clean buildings performance standard rules with, and to implement, the new statutory changes.

Process for Developing New Rule: Standard rule-making process.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Annalyn Bergin, 1011 Plum Street S.E., phone 360-584-6905, email [buildings@commerce.wa.gov](mailto:buildings@commerce.wa.gov), website <https://www.commerce.wa.gov/growing-the-economy/energy/buildings/>.

Additional comments: Commerce maintains an email distribution list for communication with stakeholders. Interested parties may add their names to the distribution list by visiting the web page listed above.

June 3, 2025  
Amanda Hathaway  
Rules Coordinator

## WSR 25-12-098

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY  
HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

[Filed June 4, 2025, 8:26 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: New chapter 182-40 WAC, Public employee benefits board and school employee benefits board reimbursement methodology requirements; other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 41.05.021 and 41.05.160; and E2SSB 5083, section 1, chapter 373, Laws of 2025.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: To help ensure access to primary care, behavioral health, and affordable hospital services, the health care authority (agency) is developing new rules as required under chapter 41.05 RCW. During this review, the agency may identify additional related changes that improve clarity or update policy.

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 Jason Crabbe, Rule-making Questions, P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, phone 360-725-9563, fax 360-586-9727, telecommunication relay services (TRS) 711, email [jason.crabbe@hca.wa.gov](mailto:jason.crabbe@hca.wa.gov), website [www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking](http://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking); or Cade Walker, Program Questions, P.O. Box 42684, Olympia, WA 98504-2684, phone 360-725-0830, fax 360-586-9727 TRS 711, email [cade.walker@hca.wa.gov](mailto:cade.walker@hca.wa.gov), website [www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking](http://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking).

June 4, 2025  
Wendy Barcus  
Rules Coordinator

**WSR 25-12-099**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY**

[Filed June 4, 2025, 8:53 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 182-543-4000 Covered—Wheelchairs—General, 182-543-4100 Covered—Wheelchairs—Manual, and 182-543-5700 Medical equipment for clients in skilled nursing facilities; 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 (agency) is amending these rules to clarify and update the coverage criteria for medical equipment for clients who receive medicaid-funded care in nursing facilities and other housekeeping changes. 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 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid 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](mailto:valerie.freudenstein@hca.wa.gov), website [www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking](http://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking); or Sunpreet Bhangoo, Program Questions, P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, phone 360-974-9436, fax 360-586-9727, TRS 711, email [hcaapplehealthclinicalpolicy@hca.wa.gov](mailto:hcaapplehealthclinicalpolicy@hca.wa.gov), website [www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking](http://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking).

June 4, 2025  
Wendy Barcus  
Rules Coordinator

WSR 25-12-100

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

WASHINGTON STATE PATROL

[Filed June 4, 2025, 9:00 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 446-65-010 Transportation requirements.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 46.32.020 and 46.48.170.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: WAC 446-65-010(1) needs to be amended to bring all the Code of Federal Regulations adopted by reference current to April 25, 2025.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: Washington Association Sheriffs and Police Chiefs, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and the Washington Trucking Association.

Process for Developing New Rule: The Washington state patrol (WSP) welcomes the public to take part in developing the rules. Anyone interested should contact the staff person identified below. At a later date, WSP will file a proposed rule making (CR-102) with the office of the code reviser with a notice of proposed rule making. A copy of the proposal will be sent 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 Kimberly Mathis, Rules Coordinator, 106 11th Avenue S.W., Olympia, WA, phone 360-596-4017, email wsprules@wsp.wa.gov, website [wsp.wa.gov/rules-development/](http://wsp.wa.gov/rules-development/).

June 4, 2025  
John R. Batiste  
Chief

**WSR 25-12-103**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY**

[Filed June 4, 2025, 9:09 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 182-502-0002 Eligible provider types, 182-531-0425 Collaborative care, 182-531-1400 Psychiatric physician-related services and other professional mental health services, 182-531-1710 Alcohol and substance misuse counseling, and 182-538D-0200 Behavioral health services—Definitions; other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160, 71.24.920, 71.24.922, and 71.24.924(2); and section 19, chapter 371, Laws of 2024 (E2SHB 2247).

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The health care authority (agency) is amending these rules to add the following provider types: Certified peer specialist, certified peer specialist trainee, and psychological associate. During this review, the agency may identify additional related changes that improve clarity or update policy

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 Jason Crabbe, Rule-making Questions, P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, phone 360-725-9563, fax 360-586-9727, telecommunication relay services (TRS) 711, email [jason.crabbe@hca.wa.gov](mailto:jason.crabbe@hca.wa.gov), website [www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking](http://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking); or Susan Mathey, Program Questions, P.O. Box 45506, Olympia, WA 98504-5506, phone 564-233-3087, fax 360-586-9727, TRS 711, email [susan.mathey@hca.wa.gov](mailto:susan.mathey@hca.wa.gov), website [www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking](http://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking).

June 4, 2025  
Wendy Barcus  
Rules Coordinator

**WSR 25-12-104**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF**  
**SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES**  
(Economic Services Administration)  
[Filed June 4, 2025, 9:13 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: The department of social and health services (DSHS) is planning to amend WAC 388-400-0065 Housing and essential needs (HEN); and other related rules as may be required.

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

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: Effective July 27, 2025, planned amendments will implement provisions of ESSB 5232 (chapter 408, Laws of 2025), related to the HEN program. 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 Aman Gill, P.O. Box 45470, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 360-407-4447, TTY 711 relay service, email aman.gill@dshs.wa.gov.

June 4, 2025  
Katherine I. Vasquez  
Rules Coordinator

**WSR 25-12-107**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF**  
**FISH AND WILDLIFE**

[Order 25-11—Filed June 4, 2025, 9:36 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: The department of fish and wildlife (department) is considering rule changes to restrict the recreational use of motorized vehicles to designated roads, and to define the terms "department-managed lands," "designated," "recreational motorized use," and "posted."

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 77.04.012, 77.12.047, 77.04.090, and 77.04.130.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The department needs to clarify and amend rules to restrict recreational motorized use of vehicles for routes that have been planned, designated, and managed for their use. In addition, the department seeks to post which routes are open for use on approved electronic and material mediums such as websites, kiosks, trail markers, and paper maps for the public.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: The department of natural resources and the United States Forest Service.

Process for Developing New Rule: Agency study.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Rules Coordinator, P.O. Box 43200, Olympia, WA 98504-3200, phone 855-925-2801, project code 11378, email 2025motorizedvehiclescr101@publicinput.com, website <https://publicinput.com/2025motorizedvehiclescr101/>; or fax 360-902-2562, email [HPArules@dfw.wa.gov](mailto:HPArules@dfw.wa.gov), website <https://wdfw.wa.gov/about/regulations/development> [<https://wdfw.wa.gov/about/regulations/development>].

Additional comments: Assistance for language translation, alternate format, or reasonable accommodation contact Title VI/ADA compliance coordinator, phone 360-902-2349, TTY 1-800-833-6388 or 711, email [Title6@dfw.wa.gov](mailto:Title6@dfw.wa.gov). For more information, see <https://wdfw.wa.gov/accessibility/requests-accommodation>.

June 4, 2025  
Scott Bird  
Rules Coordinator

WSR 25-12-108

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY

[Filed June 4, 2025, 9:40 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Washington State University (university) is updating the rules regarding standards of conduct for students, chapter 504-26 WAC.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 28B.30.150.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The proposed amendments modify, clarify, and update the university's standards of conduct for students.

Process for Developing New Rule: Reviewed internally at many levels before proposal.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Joy B. Faerber, Manager, Office of Policies, Records, and Forms, and University Rules Coordinator, P.O. Box 641225, Pullman, WA 99164-1225, phone 509-335-2005, email policies@wsu.edu, website policies.wsu.edu/prf/index/wac/.

Additional comments: A public hearing will be held to permit comment to all proposed rules and revisions. There will also be an opportunity to provide written comments to the proposed rules.

June 4, 2025

Joy B. Faerber, Manager  
Office of Policies, Records, and Forms  
University Rules Coordinator

**WSR 25-12-113**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**LIQUOR AND CANNABIS**  
**BOARD**

[Filed June 4, 2025, 10:32 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Title 314 WAC; the Washington state liquor and cannabis board (board) is considering amending WAC 314-55-050(2) to redefine how distance is measured from licensed cannabis premises to certain restricted entities, such as schools. Currently, WAC 314-55-050(2) requires this distance be measured as the shortest straight line from the property line of the proposed business location or building to the property line of restricted entities. RCW 69.50.331 requires a 1,000-foot buffer distance between a licensed cannabis premises and the perimeter of restricted entities unless a city, county, or town allows certain licensed premises to be located closer than 1,000 feet.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 69.50.325, 69.50.342, and 69.50.331.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: This change could expand the number of permissible properties around restricted entities that may help cannabis licensees find suitable locations for their businesses.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: RCW 69.50.331 allows cities and counties to enact ordinances reducing the distance between licensed cannabis businesses and restricted entities. The board will coordinate with the Washington State Association of Counties, the Association of Washington Cities, and other entities as needed, to solicit input during the rule-making process.

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 Denise Laflamme, Policy and Rules Coordinator, P.O. Box 43080, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 360-819-0452, fax 360-704-5027, email rules@lcb.wa.gov, website lcb.wa.gov.

Additional comments: Interested persons can participate in the rule process through open public meetings and by submitting written comments, and are encouraged to sign up for the interested parties list (GovDelivery) at <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WALCB/subscriber/new>. Rule-making notices and stakeholder engagement opportunities will be emailed via GovDelivery and posted to the board website at lcb.wa.gov.

June 4, 2025  
Jim Vollendroff  
Chair

**WSR 25-12-115**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**LIQUOR AND CANNABIS**  
**BOARD**

[Filed June 4, 2025, 10:55 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 314-55-083; the Washington state liquor and cannabis board (board) is considering possible amendments to WAC 314-55-083 and any other sections of chapter 314-55 WAC as may be necessary regarding tracking of individual cannabis plants by cannabis licensees.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 69.50.342.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: In October 2023, the board accepted a petition for rule making from a member of the public requesting amendments to WAC 314-55-083 (4)(f). The current rule requires each plant that is eight inches or more in height or width to be physically tagged with a unique identifier and tracked individually. The petition requested updating WAC 314-55-083 (4)(f) to allow cannabis plants larger than eight inches of the same strain and growth stage to be tracked in a batch. The current rule requires cannabis plants larger than eight inches to be tracked individually through production.

Process for Developing New Rule: Collaborative rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Jeff Kildahl, Policy and Rules Coordinator, P.O. Box 43080, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 360-480-7960, fax 360-704-5027, email [rules@lcb.wa.gov](mailto:rules@lcb.wa.gov), website [lcb.wa.gov](http://lcb.wa.gov).

Additional comments: Interested persons can participate in the rule process through open public meetings and by submitting written comments, and are encouraged to sign up for the interested parties list (GovDelivery) at <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WALCB/subscriber/new>. Rule-making notices and stakeholder engagement opportunities will be emailed via GovDelivery and posted to the board website at [lcb.wa.gov](http://lcb.wa.gov).

June 4, 2025  
Jim Vollendroff  
Chair

**WSR 25-12-119**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF**  
**SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES**  
(Economic Services Administration)  
[Filed June 4, 2025, 11:48 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: The department of social and health services (DSHS) is planning to amend WAC 388-482-0005 How does being a student of higher education affect my eligibility for the Washington basic food program?; and other related rules as may be required.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 43.20A.760, 74.04.500, 74.04.510, and 74.08A.120.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: Planned amendments are necessary to align rules with 7 C.F.R. 273.5(b), which clarifies a single parent who is a full-time student and is responsible for the care of their natural, step, or adopted child aged 11 years or younger qualifies for one of the exemptions necessary to be eligible for food assistance. It also removes language regarding the temporary expansion of student eligibility for food assistance during the public health emergency, which ended May 11, 2023. 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.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: The United States Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service.

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 Alexis Miller, P.O. Box 45470, Olympia, WA 98504-4570, phone 253-579-3144, TTY 711 relay service, email alexis.a.miller@dshs.wa.gov.

June 4, 2025  
Katherine I. Vasquez  
Rules Coordinator