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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Rules to implement the provisions of chapter 13, Laws of 2021 (SB [SSB] 5055), which concerns establishing a statewide roster for arbitrating law enforcement personnel disciplinary grievances and publishing decisions arising from those arbitration proceedings.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 41.58.050.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: SB [SSB] 5055 requires the public employment relations commission (PERC) to establish a roster of arbitrators or arbitrating law enforcement personnel disciplinary grievances. The bill establishes minimum qualifications for the arbitrators to be appointed to the panel and also empowers PERC to remove an arbitrator from the roster. PERC anticipates the need for procedural rules surrounding the appointment and removal processes.

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 Dario de la Rosa, P.O. Box 40919, Olympia, WA 98504-0919, phone 360-570-7328, fax 360-570-7334, email info@perc.wa.gov, website www.perc.wa.gov; or Michael Sellars, P.O. Box 40919, Olympia, WA 98504-0919, phone 360-570-7306, fax 360-570-7334, email info@perc.wa.gov, website www.perc.wa.gov.

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