WSR 21-17-125 PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY GAMBLING COMMISSION [Filed August 17, 2021, 1:52 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: The gambling commission is considering amending minimum cash on hand requirements, including how licensees will maintain funds and pay out prizes.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 9.46.070.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The gambling commission received a petition requesting that operators running house-banked jackpots be allowed to keep required jackpot money in a separate, off-site bank account rather than on premises. This change would address operator and player safety concerns. Additional rules may be needed to address maintaining funds and paying out prizes.

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 Ashlie Laydon, P.O. Box 42400, Olympia, WA 98504-2400, phone 360-486-3473, TTY 360-486-3637, email rules.coordinator@wsgc.wa.gov, website www.wsgc.wa.gov.

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