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WSR 22-04-013 PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 308-124A-785 Broker first active renewal, 308-124A-790 Continuing education clock hour requirements, new 308-124A-XXX Defining prescribed fair housing and consumer protection curriculum, 308-124H-810 Course titles reserved for prescribed curriculum courses, 308-124H-820 General requirements for course approval, and 308-124H-825 Secondary education provider course content approval application.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 43.24.023 Rule-making authority.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: Pursuant to SSB 5378 (2021), real estate brokers and managing brokers will be required to complete three or six clock hours of fair housing and consumer protection pre- and post-licensing education, effective June 1, 2022. Rule making is necessary to incorporate and clarify the new mandatory education requirements and the course application process for real estate schools and instructors. The department of licensing (DOL) will work with industry stakeholders and commissions to provide specific training curriculum for schools to administer and a method for brokers and managing brokers to provide proof of training to DOL.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: Not applicable.

Process for Developing New Rule: DOL will seek input from impacted stakeholders.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Ellis Starrett, 1125 Washington Street S.E., Olympia, WA 98371, phone 360-902-3846.

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