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Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 132U-121-035.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 28B.50.140(13); 20 U.S.C. \$ 1092(f).

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The college is required by the passing of HB [2SHB] 1751 to update definitions of hazing and make revisions to WAC 132U-121-035 to fit this new definition. The updated WAC also includes information for new programs and procedures in an effort to promote an antihazing campus. This includes a hazing prevention committee appointed by the president, mandatory reporting procedures, publication of a hazing report, and hazing prevention training programs for students and employees.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: Whatcom Community College is following guidelines presented by the Washington state legislature in HB [2SHB] 1751.

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 Lexus Criswell, 237 West Kellogg Road, Laidlaw 208, Bellingham, WA 98226, phone 360-383-3077, email lcriswell@whatcom.edu.

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