

WSR 23-13-043
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Implementing minority, small, veteran, and women business enterprise compliance on state-funded contracts.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: Chapter 39.19 RCW; RCW 47.01.101 and 47.28.030(3).

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The Washington state department of transportation (WSDOT) needs to adopt these rules to comply with the rules adopted by the office of minority and women business enterprises (OMWBE) under chapter 39.19 RCW. These rules are intended to ensure that minority, veteran, and women business enterprises can compete fairly for transportation-related projects. These rules apply to WSDOT's contracting process to reduce and discourage discrimination in WSDOT's contracting.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: OMWBE.

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 Jackie Bayne, 310 Maple Park Avenue S.E., Olympia, WA 98501, phone 360-705-7084, fax 360-705-6801, TTY 711, email BayneJ@wsdot.wa.gov, website www.wsdot.wa.gov/business-wsdot/equal-opportunity-contracting [www.wsdot.wa.gov/business-wsdot/equal-opportunity-contracting].

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