

WSR 24-11-035  
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY  
LIQUOR AND CANNABIS  
BOARD

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Title 314 WAC; the Washington state liquor and cannabis board (LCB) is considering amending WAC 314-55-115(1) and amending, repealing, or creating other sections of Title 314 WAC as necessary to allow cannabis licensees who buy cannabis from other cannabis licensees more flexibility than currently exists when paying via check. Rules currently require the check to be provided prior to or at the time of delivery.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 69.50.328, 69.50.342.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: LCB accepted a petition for rule making on March 29, 2023, requesting amendment of WAC 314-55-115(1) to allow checks to be mailed up to three days after delivery. By amending the rule and allowing more leeway when paying via check, cannabis licensees may have increased flexibility in payment arrangements with vendors, in an industry where access to banking is difficult if not impossible due to Federal prohibition.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: None.

Process for Developing New Rule: Collaborative rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Daniel Jacobs, Policy and Rules Coordinator, P.O. Box 43080, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 360-480-1238, fax 360-704-5027, email rules@lcb.wa.gov, website lcb.wa.gov.

Additional comments: Interested persons can participate in the rule process through open public meetings and by submitting written comments, and are encouraged to sign up for the interested parties list (GovDelivery) at <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WALCB/subscriber/new>. Rule-making notices and stakeholder engagement opportunities will be emailed via GovDelivery and posted to the LCB website at lcb.wa.gov.

May 8, 2024  
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Chair