

WSR 21-14-008  
PROPOSED RULES  
OFFICE OF  
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT  
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Original Notice.

Proposal is exempt under RCW 34.05.310(4) or 34.05.330(1).

Title of Rule and Other Identifying Information: WAC 357-31-005

For the purposes of chapter 357-31 WAC, what days are recognized as holidays?

Hearing Location(s): On August 12, 2021, at 8:30 a.m., at Office of Financial Management (OFM), audio conference only, dial-in 888-285-8919, enter pin 8101730, Code (if asked) 415.

Date of Intended Adoption: August 19, 2021.

Submit Written Comments to: Brandy Chinn, OFM, P.O. Box 47500, Olympia, WA 98501, email brandy.chinn@ofm.wa.gov, fax 360-586-4694, by August 5, 2021.

Assistance for Persons with Disabilities: Contact OFM, TTY 711 or 1-800-833-6384, by August 5, 2021.

Purpose of the Proposal and Its Anticipated Effects, Including Any Changes in Existing Rules: Chapter 295, Laws of 2021 (SHB 1016) passed during the 2021 legislative session with an effective date of July 25, 2021. This bill amends RCW 1.16.050 to add Juneteenth (June 19th) as a legal holiday in recognition of the date of remembrance for the last day African slaves learned of their freedom, nearly two years after the Emancipation Proclamation was issued.

Reasons Supporting Proposal: To align chapter 357-31 WAC with the requirements in the new law.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: Chapter 41.06 RCW.

Statute Being Implemented: RCW 1.16.050.

Rule is not necessitated by federal law, federal or state court decision.

Name of Proponent: OFM, governmental.

Name of Agency Personnel Responsible for Drafting, Implementation, and Enforcement: Brandy Chinn, 128 10th Avenue, Olympia, WA 98501, 360-878-2901.

A school district fiscal impact statement is not required under RCW 28A.305.135.

A cost-benefit analysis is not required under RCW 34.05.328. Rules are related to internal government operations and are not subject to violation by a nongovernmental party. See RCW 34.05.328 (5)(b)(ii) for exemption.

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt from requirements of the Regulatory Fairness Act because the proposal:

Is exempt under RCW 19.85.025(3) as the rules relate only to internal governmental operations that are not subject to violation by a nongovernment party.

June 24, 2021  
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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 14-18-078, filed 9/3/14, effective 10/6/14)

**WAC 357-31-005 For the purpose of chapter 357-31 WAC, what days are recognized as holidays?** The following days are designated as holidays for the purpose of chapter 357-31 WAC:

- (1) The first day of January (New Year's Day);
- (2) The third Monday of January (Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday);
- (3) The third Monday of February (Presidents' Day);
- (4) The last Monday of May (Memorial Day);
- (5) The nineteenth day of June (Juneteenth);
- (6) The fourth day of July (Independence Day);
- ~~((6))~~ (7) The first Monday in September (Labor Day);
- ~~((7))~~ (8) The eleventh day of November (Veterans Day);
- ~~((8))~~ (9) The fourth Thursday in November (Thanksgiving Day);
- ~~((9))~~ (10) The Friday immediately following the fourth Thursday in November (Native American Heritage Day); and
- ~~((10))~~ (11) The twenty-fifth day of December (Christmas Day).

Higher education employers may designate other days to be observed in place of the above holidays. Holiday schedules for higher education employers may be determined on a calendar or fiscal year basis. When a higher education employer establishes a modified schedule, paid holidays must be granted based on the modified schedule.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 41.06 RCW. WSR 14-18-078, § 357-31-005, filed 9/3/14, effective 10/6/14; WSR 05-21-057, § 357-31-005, filed 10/13/05, effective 11/15/05; WSR 05-08-136, § 357-31-005, filed 4/6/05, effective 7/1/05.]