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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Chapter 392-725 WAC, College in the high school programs.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 28A.600.290.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The office of superintendent of public instruction (OSPI) is considering rule making to reflect recent changes to RCW 28A.600.290 (SHB 1302 (2021)) which established new provisions for eligibility to students in the ninth grade to be able to earn college credit for completing the courses. The statute changes also established new provisions for OSPI to annually determine the maximum per credit tuition fee colleges can charge students based on inflation.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: WAC 392-725-005 requires that changes to chapter 392-725 WAC be done by joint agreement with OSPI, the state board of community and technical colleges, the Washington student achievement council, and an organization representing the interest of the public baccalaureate institutions. The college of presidents will be the organization that will represent the public baccalaureate institutions. OSPI staff has collaborated with appropriate members of all these agencies, as well as a representative from the Association of Washington School Principals, to work on the proposed revisions to chapter 392-725 WAC.

Process for Developing New Rule: Early solicitation of public comments and recommendations respecting new, amended, or repealed rules, and consideration of the comments and recommendations in the course of drafting rules.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Kim Reykdal, OSPI, P.O. Box 47200, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 360-725-6168, TTY 360-664-3631, email kim.reykdal@k12.wa.us, website k12.wa.us; or Katherine Mahoney, Executive Director, Strategic Policy and Implementation, OSPI, P.O. Box 47200, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 360-725-6033, TTY 360-664-3631, email katherine.mahoney@k12.wa.us, website k12.wa.us.

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