

WSR 22-09-086
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF
LABOR AND INDUSTRIES

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Fee increase and updates under consideration for the following factory assembled structures (FAS) rules: WAC 296-150C-3000 Commercial coach fees, 296-150F-3000 Factory-built housing and commercial structure fees, 296-150I-3000 Penalties, fees, and refunds, 296-150M-3000 Manufactured/mobile home fees, 296-150P-3000 Recreational park trailer fees, 296-150T-3000 Factory-built temporary worker housing fees, and 296-150V-3000 Conversion vendor units and medical units—Fees.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: Chapter 43.22 RCW, Department of labor and industries; and chapter 43.22A RCW, Mobile and manufactured home installation.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The purpose of this rule making is to consider an increase to the FAS fees to support funding of a new technology solution and cover operating expenses for the FAS program. This rule making also considers other changes to the rules for updates.

The fee increase is needed to fund the FAS program's use in a new conveyance management system (CMS). The new CMS is an enterprise solution used to provide permitting, inspection, and other information for customers and program staff. The current FAS system is outdated and does not allow for staff and customers to utilize the system. The new system will allow for a more expansive customer portal for external users, including self-service options, electronic processing, and other features available online for FAS customers.

The fee increase will also support the cost of ongoing services for the FAS program. The current fee levels are insufficient to cover current program expenses. The fee increase is needed to ensure that revenues match expenditures, otherwise service levels may need to be reduced.

Additionally, the FAS program is considering updates to the rules, such as removing obsolete fees, so the rules are clear for customers.

Process for Developing New Rule: Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rules and formulation of the proposed rules before publication by contacting the individual listed below. The public can also participate after amendments are proposed by providing written comments and testimony during the public hearing and comment process.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Alicia Curry, Department of Labor and Industries, Field Services and Public Safety Division, P.O. Box 44400, Olympia, WA 98504-4400, phone 360-902-6244, fax 360-902-5292, email Alicia.Curry@lni.wa.gov, website <https://lni.wa.gov/licensing-permits/manufactured-modular-mobile-structures/laws-rules#rule-development>.

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