

WSR 22-21-047
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: ***This is an amended version of the original CR-101 submitted to the code reviser's office on July 15, 2022. The amendment allows additional rule making related to motor common carrier and nonprofit transportation provider surplus lines insurance rules.** The purpose of this rule making is to consider revisions to insurance and safety regulations governing the operation of motor common carriers, household goods carriers, auto transportation companies, nonprofit transportation providers, charter party and excursion service carriers, and solid waste collection companies in chapters 480-14, 480-15, 480-30, 480-31, and 480-70 WAC. This rule making is recorded as Docket T-220252 at the utilities and transportation commission (UTC).

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 80.01.040, 81.01.010, 81.04.160, 81.68.030, 81.70.270, 81.77.030, 81.80.130, 81.80.140, 81.80.290, and 34.05.365.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: To address inconsistencies between UTC's motor carrier safety rules, the Washington state patrol's (WSP) rules in Titles 204 and 446 WAC, and Title 49 C.F.R. governing the passenger, household goods, and solid waste transportation industries.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: UTC adopts by reference several parts of Title 49 C.F.R. The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) and WSP also utilize parts of Title 49 C.F.R. to establish and enforce safety regulations on public highways in the state of Washington. UTC partners with FMCSA, as well as WSP, to ensure intrastate regulated companies comply with all required safety standards.

Process for Developing New Rule: UTC will ask for initial written comments on the CR-101 by August 15, 2022, and will conduct a stakeholder workshop on October 11, 2022. During and after the rule making, UTC will consider interested parties' input and prepare draft rules.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary, P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250, phone 360-664-1160, fax 360-586-1150, website www.utc.wa.gov.

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