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PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Real estate appraisers (chapter 308-125 WAC). This rule making is to align state rule with recognized national industry guidance for real estate appraiser qualifications, allow for an alternative pathway to licensure, and other rule changes as identified during the review of this chapter of rule.

During the review of chapter 308-125 WAC, the agency will consider rule making as necessary to implement recently passed legislation, align rule to current policy or practice, correct references to law, improve readability of the rule, or make other changes identified during the review of the WAC section.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 18.140.030 and 46.01.110.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: This rule making is to align state rule with recognized national industry guidance for real estate appraiser qualifications, allow for an alternative pathway to licensure, and other rule changes as identified during the review of this chapter of rule. This rule making would be beneficial to real estate appraisers by allowing them to pursue licensure through an alternative pathway that is recommended in recognized national industry guidance.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: The agency is rule making in response to recently released national industry guidance. The ensuing agency analysis of the chapter of rule will identify necessary or desired rule changes, the agency will seek approval of the rule from the Washington state real appraiser commission, propose changes as necessary, and seek public comment.

Process for Developing New Rule: Negotiated rule making; and the department of licensing will review the chapter of rule for potential alignment with national industry guidance. The department will seek feedback from the Washington real estate appraiser commission, Appraiser Coalition of Washington, and other stakeholders identified during the rule review.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Ellis Starrett, 1125 Washington Street S.E., Olympia, WA 98501, phone 360-902-3846, email rulescoordinator@dol.wa.gov, website dol.wa.gov/about/rules.

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