

WSR 23-12-055
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DEPARTMENT

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Public records procedures.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 42.56.100, 50.13.030, 50A.25.030, and 50B.04.170 provide authority for the agency to adopt rules regarding access to agency records. RCW 50.12.010, 50.12.040, and 50.13.030 provide the agency's general rule-making authority.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: This rule making will review, and if appropriate, update the regulations governing the employment security department's public records processes, including how to submit a public records request and request a review of a response.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: The United States Department of Labor (USDOL) reviews the state's administration of the unemployment insurance program to ensure conformity to federal statutes and regulations. The state has broad flexibility in the implementation of the unemployment insurance laws so long as conformity is maintained. The proposed regulations will be shared with USDOL prior to adoption.

Process for Developing New Rule: Permanent rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Josh Dye, P.O. Box 9046, phone 360-890-3472, fax 844-652-7096, TTY relay 711, email Rules@esd.wa.gov, website <https://esd.wa.gov/newsroom/rulemaking/>.

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