

WSR 23-24-097
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
SUPERINTENDENT OF
PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Replace the term "emergency expulsion" with the term "emergency removal" in the context of student discipline: WAC 392-190-048 Access to course offerings—Student discipline and corrective action, 392-400-025 Definitions, 392-400-110 Discipline policies and procedures—Development, review, and distribution, 392-400-330 Classroom exclusions—Conditions and limitations, 392-400-510 Emergency expulsions—Conditions and limitations, 392-400-515 Emergency expulsions—Notice to student and parents, 392-400-520 Emergency expulsions—Optional conference with principal, 392-400-525 Emergency expulsions—Appeal, 392-400-530 Emergency expulsions—Reviews and reconsideration, 392-400-610 Educational services during suspension, expulsion, or emergency expulsion, 392-401-020 Excused absences, and 392-401-040 Student absences—General requirements.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 28A.300.046, 28A.600.015, 28A.600.020, 28A.600.010.

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 replace the term "emergency expulsion" with the term "emergency removal" in the context of student discipline. Legislative mandates under HB [SHB] 1207 (2023) formalize these changes under chapters 28A.300 and 28A.600 RCW, and rule making will allow for consistent use of terminology under WAC.

Process for Developing New Rule: Early solicitation of feedback and recommendations concerning new or amended rules, and consideration of comments and recommendations in the course of drafting rule language.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Briana Kelly, OSPI, P.O. Box 47200, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 564-200-2068, TTY 360-664-3631, email briana.kelly@k12.wa.us, website ospi.k12.wa.us; or Ella DeVerse, OSPI, P.O. Box 47200, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 360-725-6068, TTY 360-664-3631, email ella.deverse@k12.wa.us, website ospi.k12.wa.us.

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