

WSR 25-10-046
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
SECRETARY OF STATE

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Election conduct and voter registration maintenance costs.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 29A.04.611.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The office of the state auditor's Budgeting, Accounting and Reporting System (BARS) Manual provides guidance to county election offices in allocating costs related to elections and voter registration. This rule making will clarify requirements to ensure consistency in BARS reporting statewide.

Process for Developing New Rule: Negotiated rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Dave Piersma, P.O. Box 40229, Olympia, WA 98504-0229, phone 360-902-4172, fax 360-664-4619, email dave.piersma@sos.wa.gov, website sos.wa.gov/elections; or Victoria Donahue, P.O. Box 40229, Olympia, WA 98504-0229, phone 360-725-5788, fax 360-664-4619, email victoria.donahue@sos.wa.gov, website sos.wa.gov/elections.

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