

WSR 26-05-016
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
HORSE RACING COMMISSION
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Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 260-49-070 Distribution of source market fees.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 67.16.020.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The Washington horse racing commission may need to consider adjusting the source market fee distribution due to the decline in revenue from parimutuel wagering that has affected agency projections for the 2025-2027 biennium.

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 Amanda Benton, 6326 Martin Way, Suite 209, Olympia, WA 98516, phone 360-459-6462, fax 360-459-6461, TTY 360-459-6462, email Amanda.benton@whrc.wa.gov, website www.whrc.wa.gov.

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