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PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Chapter 308-04 WAC, General provisions; this rule making will clarify language to align with current practice, update pronouns, and other updates to grammar. During the review of chapter 308-04 WAC, the department of licensing will consider rule making as necessary to 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 46.01.110 Rule-making authority, 46.01.230 Payment by check or money order—Dishonored checks or money orders—Failure to surrender canceled certificate, registration, or permit—Immunity from payment of uncollected fees—Rules, 62A.3-515 Checks dishonored by nonacceptance or nonpayment; liability for interest; rate; collection costs and attorneys' fees; satisfaction of claim, 18.235.030 Disciplinary authority—Powers, 82.38.260 Administration and enforcement, 82.41.120 Implementing rules required, 82.42.130 Administration and enforcement, 46.87.010 Applicability—Implementation, 9.41.137 Department of licensing, authority to adopt rules—Reporting of violations—Authority to revoke licenses, and 46.79.080 Rules.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: This rule making is to update the language around dishonored payments to more accurately represent current practices and to update pronouns and other updates to grammar. The current language stating that registrations, licenses, or permits will be canceled does not accurately represent current process, as they could be suspended or otherwise invalidated.

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 Ellis Starrett, 1125 Washington Street S.E., Olympia, WA 98501, phone 360-902-3846, email RulesCoordinator@DOL.WA.GOV, website dol.wa.gov/about/rulemaking/current-activity.

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