



Washington State  
**Liquor and Cannabis Board**

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**Date:** April 24, 2024

**To:** David Postman, Board Chair  
 Ollie Garrett, Board Member  
 Jim Vollendroff, Board Member

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**Subject:** **Approval to file a pre-proposal statement of inquiry (CR 101) regarding implementation of Substitute House Bill (SHB) 1453 related to medical cannabis patient excise tax exemption.**

The Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board is considering repealing, amending, and creating rule sections in Title 314 WAC as necessary to implement Substitute House Bill ([SHB\) 1453 \(chapter 79, Laws of 2024\)](#), which exempts qualifying patients from the cannabis excise tax until June 2029, provided certain requirements described in more detail in the CR 101 memo are met.

**Process**

The Policy and Rules Coordinator requests approval to file the pre-proposal statement of inquiry (CR 101) for the rule making described above. A CR 101 Memorandum was presented at the Board meeting on April 24, 2024 and is attached to this order.

If approved for filing, the **tentative timeline** for the rule making process is outlined below:

April 24, 2024	Board is asked to approve filing pre-proposal statement of inquiry (CR 101). CR 101 is filed with the Office of the Code Reviser. Webpage is updated and notice circulated by GovDelivery distribution list. Informal comment period begins.
May 15, 2024	Notice is published in the Washington State Register under WSR 24-10.
May 29, 2024	Informal comment period ends.

June 18, 2024	Board is asked to approve filing proposed rules (CR 102). CR 102 is filed with the Office of the Code Reviser. Webpage is updated and notice circulated by the rules distribution list. Formal comment period begins.
July 5, 2024	Notice is published in the Washington State Register under WSR 24-13.
July 31, 2024	Public hearing is held and formal comment period ends.
August 14, 2024	Board is asked to adopt rules if no substantive changes are made (CR 103). Concise Explanatory Statement is provided to individuals offering written or oral comment at the public hearing or during the formal comment period, consistent with RCW 34.05.325. CR 103 and adopted rules are filed with the Office of the Code Reviser. Webpage is updated and notice circulated by GovDelivery distribution list.
September 14, 2024	Rules are effective 31 days after filing unless otherwise specified. See RCW 34.05.380(2).

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		Ollie Garrett, Board Member	Date
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		Jim Vollendroff, Board Member	Date

Attachments: CR 101 Memorandum.  
Substitute House Bill 1453 (chapter 79, Laws of 2024)