

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY



CR-101 (October 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.310) Do NOT use for expedited rule making

Agency: Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board

Subject of possible rule making: Title 314 WAC. The Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board (Board) is considering repealing, amending, and creating rule sections as necessary to implement Substitute House Bill (SHB) 1453 (chapter 79, Laws of 2024) which exempts qualifying patients or designated providers issued a recognition card, purchasing cannabis identified by the Washington State Department of Health in chapter 246-70, from a cannabis retailer issued a medical cannabis endorsement, from the cannabis excise tax until June 30, 2029.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 69.50.342 (Cannabis).

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: Rules may be needed to implement the provisions of SHB 1453 that provide a temporary excise tax exemption until June 30, 2029 provided that:

- The purchase is at a cannabis retailer with a medical cannabis endorsement;
- The sale is made to a qualifying patient or designated provider who has been issued a recognition card;
- The cannabis concentrates, useable cannabis, or cannabis-infused product has been identified by the Washington State Department of Health as a complaint cannabis product in chapter 246-70 WAC and tested to the standards in WAC 246-70-040.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: Washington State Department of Health, Washington State Department of Revenue

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe) Collaborative rule making

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting:

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Additional comments: Interested persons can participate in the rule process through open public meetings and by submitting written comments, and are encouraged to sign up for the interested parties list (GovDelivery) at <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WALCB/subscriber/new>. Rulemaking notices and stakeholder engagement opportunities will be emailed via GovDelivery and posted to the WSLCB website at lcb.wa.gov.

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