



Notice of Permanent Rules to Revise WAC 314-40-040

This explanatory statement concerns the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board's adoption of rule revisions to WAC 314-40-040 (Club Membership Drives).

The Administrative Procedure Act (RCW 34.05.325(6)) requires agencies to complete a concise explanatory statement before filing adopted rules with the Office of the Code Reviser. This statement must be provided to anyone who gave comment about the proposed rulemaking.

Once persons who gave comment during this rulemaking have had a chance to receive this document, the Liquor and Cannabis Board will file the amended rules with the Office of the Code Reviser. These rule changes will become effective 31 days after filing (approximately August 26, 2017).

The Liquor and Cannabis Board appreciates your involvement in this rule making process. If you have any questions, please contact Karen McCall, Rules Coordinator, at (360) 664-1631 or e-mail at rules@lcb.wa.gov.

What are the agency's reasons for adopting this rule?

This rulemaking is the result of a stakeholder petition for rulemaking to increase the number of membership drives a non-profit organization is allowed to hold in a year..

Summary of all public comments received on this rule proposal.

No comments were received at the public hearing held July 12, 2017.

Fifteen written comments were received from members of Elks Lodges throughout the state. All comments were in support of increasing the number of membership drives. All comments supported an increase to 12 club membership drives per year.

A petition with 135 signatures was also received with the request of 12 club membership drives per year.

LCB response: Enforcement officers try to make a presence at club membership drives. Increasing the number to 12 would take resources Enforcement does not have at this time. An increase to 4 membership drives is achievable with current Enforcement resources. The auxiliaries of non-profit clubs may also hold fundraising events with a special occasion license 12 times per year.



WAC Changes

See attached.