



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (October 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.310)

Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

CODE REVISER USE ONLY

OFFICE OF THE CODE REVISER
STATE OF WASHINGTON
FILED

DATE: December 18, 2019

TIME: 11:12 AM

WSR 20-01-171

Agency: Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board

Subject of possible rule making: WAC 314-55-075 – Marijuana producer license – Privileges, requirements, and fees. The Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board (Board) is considering revisions and new rule sections that would incrementally expand the plant canopy square footage allowed for licensed Tier 1 producers.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 69.50.342; RCW 69.50.345.

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: The Board has received requests from medical marijuana patients and segments of the industry to increase the availability of Department of Health (DOH) compliant product in licensed retail stores. The Board has also learned that smaller producers are concerned about business sustainability based on canopy space restrictions. Recognizing this, the Board would like to explore the ways that it can support Tier 1 producer business viability. Revisions considered may also include clarifying and technical updates to existing rule within the scope of this topic.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: The Board will coordinate with other Washington State agencies as necessary, such as the Washington State Department of Agriculture, Washington State Department of Health, Department of Ecology, and Department of Revenue, and others as necessary.

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

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

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

Name: Katherine Hoffman
 Address: PO Box 43080, Olympia, WA 98504
 Phone: 360-664-1622
 Fax: 360-664-9689
 TTY:
 Email: Rules@lcb.wa.gov
 Web site: lcb.wa.gov
 Other:

(If necessary)

Name:
 Address:
 Phone:
 Fax:
 TTY:
 Email:
 Web site:
 Other:

Additional comments:

Date: December 18, 2019

Name: Jane Rushford

Title: Chair

Signature: