



Notice of Emergency Rule #WSR 20-09-026

The Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board (Board) adopted emergency rules that:

- Allow the Board to serve an order of summary license suspension after a preliminary staff investigation indicates that a liquor, vapor or tobacco product licensee has violated any Governor's Proclamation issued as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak, and that immediate cessation of licensed activities are necessary for the preservation of public health and welfare; and
- Provide a framework and process for the affected WSLCB licensee to petition the Board for a stay of summary suspension consistent with the provisions of chapter 34.05 RCW.

This notice can be found at lcb.wa.gov/laws/laws-and-rules.

Consistent with RCW 34.05.350, any agency may find that the immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.

An emergency rule adopted under RCW 34.05.350 takes effect upon filing with the code reviser, unless a later date is specified in the order of adoption, and may not remain in effect for longer than one hundred twenty days after filing.

Consistent with RCW 34.05.350(3), within seven days after the rule is adopted, any person may petition the governor requesting the immediate repeal of a rule adopted on an emergency basis by any department listed in RCW [43.17.010](#). Within seven days after submission of the petition, the governor shall either deny the petition in writing, stating his or her reasons for the denial, or order the immediate repeal of the rule.

