



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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(Implements RCW 34.05.310)**

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Agency: Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board

Subject of possible rule making: The Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board (WSLCB) is considering amending, repealing, and creating rule sections in Title 314 WAC as necessary to allow cannabis, vapor, tobacco, and liquor licensees to use cloud storage options instead of physical, on-premises storage for recordkeeping.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 69.50.342 (cannabis); 70.345.020 (vapor products); 82.24.550, 82.26.220 (tobacco and cigarettes); and 66.08.030 (liquor).

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: On August 31, 2022, the Board accepted a rule petition related to cloud storage options for recordkeeping. Consistent with RCW 34.05.330(1)(b), the WSLCB is initiating the rulemaking process to begin collaboratively engaging with stakeholders and any interested members of the public to explore the possibility of allowing licensees to use cloud storage as a recordkeeping option instead of physical, on-site storage.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: None

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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