



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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Agency: Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board

Subject of possible rule making: Title 314 WAC. The Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board (LCB) is considering amending WAC 314-55-020 and WAC 314-55-080 and repealing, amending, and creating rule sections in Title 314 WAC or both as necessary to update requirements for cannabis retailers to maintain medical cannabis endorsements, and to add a voluntary surrender mechanism.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 69.50.342 (cannabis) and 69.50.375 (cannabis retailers – medical cannabis endorsements).

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: On March 29, 2023, the LCB accepted a rule petition related to removing medical cannabis endorsements for cannabis retailers not complying with the requirements and to create a framework for retailers to voluntarily surrender the endorsement. Consistent with RCW 34.05.330(1)(b), the LCB is initiating the rulemaking process to begin collaboratively engaging with stakeholders and any interested members of the public to explore the possibility of amending the language in WAC 314-55-020 and WAC 314-55-080, and repealing, amending, and creating new sections in Title 314 WAC or both as necessary to update the requirements for cannabis retailers to maintain a medical cannabis endorsement including, but not limited to, a voluntary surrender mechanism.

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 LCB website at lcb.wa.gov.

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