

CR 101 Memorandum

Regarding WAC 314-11-050 on prohibited conduct at liquor license premises.

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Background

<u>WAC 314-11-050</u> identifies prohibited conduct and behavior of patrons and employees at liquor license premises. This rule language is unchanged from when it was put into WAC 314-11-050 in 2001, when WAC 314-16-125 was repealed and most of its language put into WAC 314-11-050. WAC 314-16-125 was created in 1975, then revised in 1981, 1982 and 1992.

Based on extensive stakeholder feedback, the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board (Board) is examining whether revisions need to be made to the language of the rule, or if the rule needs to be repealed.

Reasons Why Rulemaking Is Needed

Amending or repealing WAC 314-11-050 may be needed based on extensive recent stakeholder feedback, and to address potential inequitable application of certain provisions, as well as to replace antiquated language that no longer reflects societal norms.

Process

The rulemaking process begins by announcing the Board's intent to consider changes to existing rules, add new rule sections, or both by filing a pre-proposal statement of inquiry (CR 101) form with the Office of the Code Reviser. This allows staff, stakeholders, industry partners, and all members of the authorizing environment to begin discussing possible rule changes.

At the CR 101 stage of the rulemaking process, no proposed language is offered. Any interested person may comment on this possible rulemaking during the designated comment period. Notice will be sent to all who have indicated that they want to receive notice of rule activity related to this pre-proposal statement of inquiry. The notice will identify the public comment period and where comments can be sent.