



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

**CR-101 (June 2004)**  
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)  
Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

**Agency:** Department of Labor and Industries

**Subject of possible rule making:** Amendments to sections of Chapter 296-104 WAC, Board of Boiler Rules – Substantive

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** Chapter 70.79 RCW, Boilers and Unfired Pressure Vessels

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** The Board of Boiler Rules is planning amendments to sections of Chapter 296-104 WAC, Board of Boiler Rules Substantive to clarify existing rules and update the rules to adopt the current national safety standards for boilers and unfired pressure vessels in the state of Washington.

Amendments for consideration will include:

- Updating the existing definitions and adding new definitions for “jacketed steam kettles” to clarify the scope of inspection requirements;
- Adopting the latest editions of national standards for boilers and unfired pressure vessels and pulp or paper machine dryers;
- Clarifying the inspection requirements for power boilers;
- Correcting references in the rules to consistently adopt the national safety standards; and
- Clarifying the shutdown requirements and use of manually operated remote shutdown switches or circuit breakers for automatically fired boilers.

**Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:** There are no other federal and/or state agencies regulating this subject that required coordination of the rules.

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

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe)

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rules and formulation of the proposed rules before publication by contacting the individual listed below. The public can also participate, after amendments are proposed by providing written comments and/or testimony during the public hearing and comment process.

For more information on this rulemaking, visit the L&I website at: <http://www.lni.wa.gov/TradesLicensing/Boilers/Board> or interested parties can sign up for e-mail updates at: <http://www.lni.wa.gov/Main/Listservs/Boilers>.

**How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:**

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