

## CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Chapter 296-17 WAC General Reporting Rules, Classifications, Audit and Recordkeeping, Rates and Rating System for Washington Workers' Compensation Insurance

WAC 296-17-58105 Classification 3404; WAC 296-17-66901 Classification 5109; WAC 296-17-67603 Classification 5208; WAC 296-17-67604 Classification 5209; WAC 296-17-580 Classification 3402; WAC 296-17-513 Classification 0307; WAC 296-17-557 Classification 2004; WAC 296-17-568 Classification 2903; WAC 296-17-57001 Classification 2907; WAC 296-17-594 Classification 3602; WAC 296-17-595 Classification 3603; WAC 296-17-670 Classification 5201; WAC 296-17-739 Classification 6708

The purpose of this rulemaking is to restore the five metal goods classifications as they existed on January 1, 2006.

In April 2006, the department filed a proposal to consolidate five metal goods classifications into one classification with three sub codes. Four existing metal goods classifications were repealed. Following hearings in May, two firms petitioned the department to withdraw the proposal because of the economic effect on their classification. The department agreed to reconsider the proposal. This rule making is necessary to restore the classifications as they existed January 1, 2006

The intended date of Adoption for this rule is November 21, 2006

The intended effective date for this rule is January 1, 2007

The purpose of this document is to respond to the oral and written comments received through the public comment period and public hearing.

The public comment period for this rulemaking began September 19, 2006 and ended November 6, 2006.

A Public Hearing was held on November 6, 2006 at the Labor & Industries Building in Tumwater WA. No one attended and no testimony was received.