



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

Agency: Board of Boiler Rules (Department of Labor and Industries)

Subject of possible rule making: Board of Boiler Rules – Substantive (Chapter 296-104 WAC)

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: Chapter 70.79 RCW

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: The purpose of this rulemaking is to make clarification and technical changes to the Board of Boiler Rules – Substantive (chapter 296-104 WAC) based on actions and requests of the Board of Boiler Rules. The changes include Removing the Boards responsibilities for NB exams and allowing the Boiler Chief to accept applications for Board approved criteria, extending the periods between boiler internal inspections to companies with Owner/User Inspection Programs, revisions to lower pressure boiler and pool heaters, and a 5.53% fee increase, which is the Office of Financial Management's maximum allowable fiscal growth rate factor for fiscal year 2008. The fee increase will help cover the cost of the ongoing services for the Boiler program.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:
Not applicable.

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

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe) The Board of Boiler Rules will review and approve all rule changes. Other interested parties and the public may also participate by providing written comments or giving oral testimony during the public hearing process.

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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