



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: Industrial Insurance, Chapter 296-14 WAC – Wages – Employer-provided health care benefits

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 51.04.020, 51.08.178 and Chapter 297, Laws of 2007 (SHB 1244).

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:

The proposed rulemaking will assist in the implementation of Chapter 297, Laws of 2007 (SHB 1244). The proposed rulemaking will amend existing rules that conflict with the law and may include new rules that clarify when the employer's contribution for health care benefits is included in the worker's monthly wage.

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):

Parties interested in the development of these rules may contact the individual listed below. Interested parties may also participate during the public comment period by submitting written comments or giving oral testimony at the public hearing.

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

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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