



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

Agency: Labor & Industries

Subject of possible rule making:

Chapter 296-17A WAC Classifications for Workers' Compensation Insurance

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:

RCW 51.16.035 and RCW 51.16.100

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

This rulemaking is being proposed in response to Substitute Senate Bill 6349 (Chapter 160, Laws of 2010) for the farm internship program. The purpose of this pilot program is to allow small farms to provide a program for interns to learn about farming practices and farm enterprise. Three new farm intern risk classifications will be created. Each classification will have a different composite rate depending on the type of farm. Farms must have a valid Labor & Industries certification to be qualified to participate in the program.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:

No other state, local or federal agency regulates this subject.

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

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

The 2010 Legislature passed Substitute Senate Bill 6349 for the Pilot Farm Internship Program.

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

Information about this process is available at the website:
(www.lni.wa.gov/insuranceservices/employerservices)

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