



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

Agency: Department of Labor & Industries

Subject of possible rule making:

Chapter 296-14 WAC Industrial Insurance and Chapter 296-15 WAC Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Rules and Regulations – Claim Resolution Structured Settlement Agreements

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:

RCW 51.04.020, RCW 51.04.030, and Chapter 37, Laws of 2011 (Engrossed House Bill 2123)

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

Rulemaking will assist in the implementation of claim resolution structured settlement agreements, allowed by Engrossed House Bill 2123 (Chapter 37, Laws of 2011). These agreements will be available for claims for injured workers age fifty-five and older effective January 1, 2012, fifty-three and older effective January 1, 2015, and fifty and older effective January 1, 2016. Proposed rulemaking will include new rules to clarify requirements and the process for these agreements.

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

No other federal or state agencies regulate this subject.

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

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

When Labor & Industries (L&I) begins the rule development process, L&I will share any draft proposal with stakeholders and other interested parties. Public hearings will be held throughout the state after the proposal is filed.

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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