



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

Agency: Labor and Industries

Subject of possible rule making: WAC Chapter 296-17, General Reporting Rules, Audit and Recordkeeping, Rates and Rating System for Workers' Compensation Insurance and WAC Chapter 296-17A, Classifications for Washington Workers' Compensation Insurance

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 51.16.035

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: This rulemaking is being performed to implement requirements of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5550 which exempts from workers' compensation insurance the taxi, for hire, and limousine drivers who own or lease their vehicles; and commercial transportation service (CTS) drivers as defined in Title 48. The legislation allows for elective coverage for these exempt employments.

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) Labor and Industries will solicit input from the business community by way of the Internet. Labor and Industries will use input to formulate proposed changes to the existing rules and advise customers of future rule making by the Internet.

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.)

Employers can obtain information on our rulemaking process at <http://www.lni.wa.gov/LawRule/ruleProcess.asp> and can submit comments electronically to JoAnne.Attwood@Lni.wa.gov or by calling (360) 902-4777, or by fax at (360) 902-5830.

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