Information Packet

Public Hearing: Factory Assembled Structures Rules

Date: Oct. 27, 2021

Time: 9 a.m.

Location: Virtual and telephonic hearing only. **Please join by either:**

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1-253-372-2181, Phone Conference ID: 616 416 458#

The <u>Washington State Department of Labor & Industries</u> (L&I) will hold a public hearing on proposed amendments to the <u>Factory Assembled Structures</u> (FAS) rules that apply to installers and manufactured homes.

The proposed changes affect <u>chapter 296-150l Washington Administrative Code (WAC)</u>, <u>Manufactured Home Installer Training & Certification Program</u> and <u>chapter 296-150M</u> WAC, Manufactured Homes.

The proposals conform to U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations for manufactured home installations. The changes include, but are not limited to:

- Modifying requirements for homeowners to install their own manufactured home;
- Modifying requirements to make certified installers verify and acknowledge site preparations for new manufactured homes before commencing any installation work; and
- Replacing the ANSI 225.1 standard for Manufactured Home Installations with HUD regulations for Manufactured Home Installations.

In 2017, HUD reviewed L&I's rules and standards for manufactured housing installations to ensure the program's compliance with federal regulations. This rulemaking addresses HUD's findings that require revisions to the rules for L&I to meet its contractual obligations and be fully compliant with HUD regulations.

The proposed rules also include updates, clarifications, housekeeping, and other rule changes under chapter 296-150I WAC. Both proposals change existing language in the rules.

You can review the proposed rules at https://lni.wa.gov/rulemaking-activity/?query=FAS&ruleTopic=All&ruleStatus=Open or by clicking on the program's "Rule Development" page.

If you require communication or accommodation arrangements, please contact Alicia Curry at 360-902-6244, by Oct. 13.

You can provide testimony at the above hearing, or send written comments as follows:

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You can send written comments by <u>5 p.m. on Oct. 27</u>.

Details of specific proposed amendments will be published in Washington State Register (WSR) 21-19 on Oct. 6. The tentative adoption date for these rules is Dec. 21. The tentative effective date is Jan. 31, 2022.