



PROPOSED RULE MAKING

CR-102 (June 2024) (Implements RCW 34.05.320) Do NOT use for expedited rule making

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WSR 26-04-113

Agency: Department of Labor & Industries

Original Notice

Supplemental Notice to WSR _____

Continuance of WSR _____

Preproposal Statement of Inquiry was filed as WSR 25-24-091 ; or

Expedited Rule Making--Proposed notice was filed as WSR _____; or

Proposal is exempt under RCW 34.05.310(4) or 34.05.330(1); or

Proposal is exempt under RCW _____.

Title of rule and other identifying information: (describe subject) Contractor Registration, Electrical, Elevator, Plumbers, and Factory Assembled Structures rules. WAC 296-200A-900, What fees does the department charge contractors for issuance, renewal, reregistration, and reinstatement of certificates of registration?; WAC 296-46B-906, Inspection fees; WAC 296-46B-909, Electrical/telecommunications contractor's license, administrator certificate and examination, master electrician certificate and examination, electrician certificate and examination, copy, and miscellaneous fees; WAC 296-46B-911, Electrical testing laboratory and engineer accreditation fees; WAC 296-96-00922, Licensing fees; WAC 296-96-01085, Permit and inspection fees; WAC 296-150C-3000, Commercial coach fees; WAC 296-150F-3000, Factory-built housing and commercial structure fees; WAC 296-150I-3000, Penalties, fees, and refunds; WAC 296-150M-3000, Manufactured/mobile home fees; WAC 296-150P-3000, Recreational park trailer fees; WAC 296-150R-3000, Recreational vehicle fees; WAC 296-150T-3000, Factory-built temporary worker housing fees; WAC 296-150V-3000, Conversion vendor units and medical units – Fees; and WAC 296-400A-045, What fees does the department charge for issuance, renewal, relicensing, and reinstatement of a plumbing contractor license and plumbing certificates?

Hearing location(s):

Date:	Time:	Location: (be specific)	Comment:
March 12, 2026	9:00 a.m.	Department of Labor & Industries 7273 Linderson Way SW Tumwater, WA 98501 OR Join electronically: https://lni-wa.gov.zoom.us/j/83817092455?pwd=0tbjsHVTBS4TSV59JcL1xolB1scWhD.1 Passcode: J^7TYS7* OR Join by phone (audio only): 253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 838 1709 2455 Passcode: 96881303	The in-person and virtual/telephonic hearing starts at 9:00 a.m. and will continue until all oral comments are received.

Date of intended adoption: May 5, 2026 (Note: This is **NOT** the effective date)

Submit written comments to:

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Customer Service, Compliance, and Public Safety
Division
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Other	Other
Beginning (date and time) <u>February 4, 2026, at 8 a.m.</u>	By (date) <u>February 26, 2026</u>
By (date and time) <u>March 12, 2026, at 5 p.m.</u>	

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules: The purpose of this rulemaking is to propose amendments to the fees for Contractor Registration, Electrical, Elevator, Factory Assembled Structures, and Plumber rules. The proposed amendments would increase fees by the fiscal growth factor of 6.51 percent for fiscal year 2027. This rulemaking also makes housekeeping changes to correct a \$.10 error in the electrical rules for the exam nonrefundable fee.

Reasons supporting proposal: The fee increase is necessary to cover increased operating expenses for the Programs. The current fee levels are insufficient to cover current Program expenses.

Statutory authority for adoption: Chapters 18.27, 19.28, 70.87, 43.22, 43.22A, and 18.106 RCW

Statute being implemented: Chapters 18.27, 19.28, 70.87, 43.22, 43.22A, and 18.106 RCW

Is rule necessary because of a:

Federal Law?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Federal Court Decision?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
State Court Decision?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

If yes, CITATION:

Agency comments or recommendations, if any, as to statutory language, implementation, enforcement, and fiscal matters: None.

Name of proponent: (person or organization) Department of Labor & Industries

Type of proponent: Private. Public. Governmental.

Name of agency personnel responsible for:

Name	Office Location	Phone
Drafting		
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Enforcement	Randy Littlefield, Acting Asst. Director	Tumwater, WA	360-584-8228
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Is a school district fiscal impact statement required under [RCW 28A.305.135](#)? Yes No

If yes, insert statement here:

The public may obtain a copy of the school district fiscal impact statement by contacting:

Name
Address
Phone
Fax
TTY
Email
Other

Is a cost-benefit analysis required under [RCW 34.05.328](#)?

Yes: A preliminary cost-benefit analysis may be obtained by contacting:

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No: Please explain: The rules are exempt from the Cost Benefit Analysis requirement under the Administrative Procedure Act. Specifically, RCW 34.05.328(5)(b)(vi) exempts rules that set or adjust fees under the authority of RCW 19.02.075 or that set or adjust fees or rates pursuant to legislative standards, including fees set or adjusted under the authority of RCW 19.80.045.

Regulatory Fairness Act and Small Business Economic Impact Statement

Note: The [Governor's Office for Regulatory Innovation and Assistance \(ORIA\)](#) provides support in completing this part.

(1) Identification of exemptions:

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, **may be exempt** from requirements of the Regulatory Fairness Act (see [chapter 19.85 RCW](#)). For additional information on exemptions, consult the [exemption guide published by ORIA](#). Please check the box for any applicable exemption(s):

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under [RCW 19.85.061](#) because this rule making is being adopted solely to conform and/or comply with federal statute or regulations. Please cite the specific federal statute or regulation this rule is being adopted to conform or comply with, and describe the consequences to the state if the rule is not adopted.

Citation and description:

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt because the agency has completed the pilot rule process defined by [RCW 34.05.313](#) before filing the notice of this proposed rule.

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under the provisions of [RCW 15.65.570\(2\)](#) because it was adopted by a referendum.

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under [RCW 19.85.025\(3\)](#). Check all that apply:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> RCW 34.05.310 (4)(b)
(Internal government operations) | <input type="checkbox"/> RCW 34.05.310 (4)(e)
(Dictated by statute) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> RCW 34.05.310 (4)(c)
(Incorporation by reference) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCW 34.05.310 (4)(f)
(Set or adjust fees) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCW 34.05.310 (4)(d)
(Correct or clarify language) | <input type="checkbox"/> RCW 34.05.310 (4)(g)
((i) Relating to agency hearings; or (ii) process requirements for applying to an agency for a license or permit) |

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under [RCW 19.85.025\(4\)](#). (Does not affect small businesses).

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under RCW _____.

Explanation of how the above exemption(s) applies to the proposed rule:

(2) Scope of exemptions: Check one.

The rule proposal: Is fully exempt. (*Skip section 3.*) Exemptions identified above apply to all portions of the rule proposal.

The rule proposal: Is partially exempt. (*Complete section 3.*) The exemptions identified above apply to portions of the rule proposal, but less than the entire rule proposal. Provide details here (consider using [this template from ORIA](#)):

The rule proposal: Is not exempt. (*Complete section 3.*) No exemptions were identified above.

(3) Small business economic impact statement: Complete this section if any portion is not exempt.

If any portion of the proposed rule is **not exempt**, does it impose more-than-minor costs (as defined by RCW 19.85.020(2)) on businesses?

No Briefly summarize the agency's minor cost analysis and how the agency determined the proposed rule did not impose more-than-minor costs. _____

Yes Calculations show the rule proposal likely imposes more-than-minor cost to businesses and a small business economic impact statement is required. Insert the required small business economic impact statement here:

The public may obtain a copy of the small business economic impact statement or the detailed cost calculations by contacting:

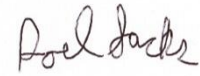
- Name
- Address
- Phone
- Fax
- TTY
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- Other

Date: February 3, 2026

Name: Joel Sacks

Title: Director

Signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joel Sacks". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and 'S'.