



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

Agency: Department of Labor and Industries

Subject of possible rule making: eRules; Chapter 296-56 WAC Safety Standards for Longshore, Stevedore, and Waterfront Operations; Chapter 296-809 WAC Confined Spaces; Chapter 296-806 WAC Machine Safety; Chapter 296-828 WAC Hazardous Chemicals in Laboratories; Chapter 296-860 WAC Railroad Clearances and Walkways in Private Rail Yards and Plants; and Chapter 864 Split (Multipiece) Rim and Single-Piece Rim Wheels

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 49.17.010, RCW 49.17.040, RCW 49.17.050, RCW 49.17.060.

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: When the agency updated its website, template DOSH rules in HTML were broken and DOSH began forwarding rule users to the Office of the Code Reviser website, causing more confusion among customers. This pre-proposal package will resolve stakeholder issues that have caused confusion for rule users by bringing one clear and consistent format to all of our rules. This pre-proposal will accomplish the following:

- No requirements are changing because of this pre-proposal.
- Consistent format for all DOSH safety and health rules.
- Easy to access rules for smart phone and table users.
- Bookmarks in the rules allow easy navigation in PDF files.
- Bullets and dashes are removed and replaced with numbers and letters for easier referencing.
- Enhances rule update efficiency for customers by allowing for faster updates through electronic postings.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:
None.

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

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

Parties interested in the formulation of these rules for proposal may contact the individual listed below. The public may also participate by commenting after amendments are proposed by providing written comments or giving oral testimony during the public hearing process.

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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