

Transcript of public hearing on rulemaking for WAC 308-08 – Practice and Procedure

Ellis Starrett (00:03):

Good morning. This is a public hearing before the Washington State Department of Licensing being held to elicit public testimony, both oral and written, with regard to the proposed modification to Chapter 30808 WAC Practice and Procedure. This proposal would create a new section and rule to clarify current agency procedures regarding the process for filing a petition for review of an initial order and clarifying that initial orders become final if there is no petition for review by the deadline. This hearing is being held at the Highways and Licensing Building located in downtown Olympia, Washington, and on Zoom in a virtual meeting space.

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The hearing is being held at 11:00 AM on June 24th, 2025. Public notice of this hearing was given by notice number WSR 25-11-085, filed with the Code Reviser's office on May 21st, 2025. Copies of the proposed rules are available at www.dol.wa.gov/about/rulemaking-activity. The sign-in sheet, your testimony, and any documents you provide are public documents. This rule is proposed pursuant to the provisions of RCW 18.235.030, disciplinary authority powers, and RCW 34.05.464, review of initial orders. My name is Ellis Starrett and my title is Rules and Policy Manager and I am the agency's rules coordinator. The Director of Licensing has designated me to preside over this hearing.

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Representatives of the Washington State Department of Licensing are present today if there are questions. Marguerite Friedlander, Hearings and Interviews Administrator, Shawna Herron, Regulatory Review Analyst, and Kelsey Stone, Legislative Policy Analyst, who are here in the room with me today. The procedure today will be as follows: The department is required to make a record of this hearing by stenographic, mechanical, or electronic means. Therefore, we are audio recording this hearing. Anyone wishing to testify today should use the Zoom chat window or sign in on the sign-in sheet located at the end of the conference room table. I ask you to provide your phone number and email as well and if you are in favor or opposed to the proposed rule changes.

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We'll add all of this information to our official sign-in sheet, which will be used to call forward individuals for testimony and is later used to ensure hearing participants are notified of rulemaking results and the agency's response to comments. You will be called to testify in the order in which we collect your information. To assist in preparing the record of this public hearing, individuals testifying today should state their name,

who they represent if they are testifying on behalf of others, and whether they support or oppose the proposed rules. The department has not received written comments on these proposed rules. For those wishing to provide written comments, please email them to rulescoordinator@dol.wa.gov and we will include them in the formal record. If you are in person today, you may also hand them to me. Copies of these written comments will be added to the rulemaking file.

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Now, we will hear oral testimony from those present and I don't see anyone wishing to testify today. Looking over the attendee list and I don't see anyone in attendance who is a member of the public. Are there any comments on these proposed rules? Hearing no one, thank you for your comments. The department will prepare a concise explanatory statement which will, among other things, summarize all the oral and written comments received regarding the proposed rules and respond to them by category or subject matter. Copies of the concise explanatory statement will be forwarded to all those who have made oral or written statements and this hearing is adjourned.