

Transcript of public hearing for rulemaking activity on Chapter 308-08 WAC – Policy and Procedure

Kelsey Stone (00:01):

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 308-08 WAC Practice and Procedure. This proposal would create a new section in WAC 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's no petition for review by the deadline.

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This hearing is being held at the Highways and Licensing building located in downtown Olympia, Washington, and on Zoom in a virtual meeting space. The hearing is being held at 10:00 AM. on September 16th, 2025. Public notice of this hearing was given by notice number WSR 25-16-107, filed with the Code Revisers office on August 6th, 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.

(01:09):

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 Kelsey Stone and my title is Legislative Policy Analyst. The Director of Licensing has designated me to preside over this hearing. Representatives of the Washington State Department of Licensing are present today if there are questions, Rebecca Kim, Marta Reinhold, Ella Starrett, Marguerite Friedlander, and Shawna Herron. 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 edge of my desk. I'll ask you to provide your phone number and email, as well as if you are in favor or opposed to the proposed rule changes.

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We will 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 rule-making results and the agency's response to comments. You'll 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're testifying on behalf of others, and whether they support or oppose the proposed rules.

(02:34):

The department has not received written comments on these proposed rules. For those wishing to provide written comments here, please email them to rulescoordinator@dol.wa.gov and we will include them in our formal record. If you're in person today, you may also hand them to me directly. Copies of these written comments will be added to the rule-making file. Now, we will hear oral statements from those present. And it doesn't look like we have anybody that joined or anybody that's in the waiting room.

(03:09):

Okay. Thank you. Oh, are there any other comments on these rules, which I'm guessing we don't have since it looks like it's just DOL staff. 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 comments. Checking once more to ensure we don't have anybody in the waiting room. Okay.

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And with that, this hearing is adjourned.