

Transcript of public hearing for changes to WAC 308-312-060 – Fees November 29, 2022

Ellis Starrett:

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 proposed rules regarding increasing fees for Whitewater River Outfitters established in WAC 308-312-060 - Fees. This hearing is being held via Zoom at 9:00 AM on November 29th, 2022. Public notice of this hearing was given by notice number WSR 22-21-135 filed with the Code Advisor's Office on October 19th, 2022. Copies of the proposed rules are available at www.dol.wa.gov/about/rules. The sign-in sheet, your testimony, and any documents you provide are public documents. This rule is proposed pursuant to the provisions of RCW 43.24.086 e-policy for professions, occupations, and Businesses determination by rule.

My name is Ellis Starrett and my title is Rules and Policy Manager. 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. Vanessa Simpson, Assistant Administrator of Central Services and the Businesses and Professions Division; Julie Japhet, Policy Advisor and Manager of Central Services; Parker Teed, Legislative and Policy Analyst for the Business and Professions Division; Shauna Herron, Management Analyst III; and Kelsey Stone, Policy and Legislative Analyst.

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 provide their name and contact information in the chat or let me know that they would like to testify when I ask if there is anyone else wishing to testify. I will ask you to provide your contact information, which will be added to a sheet. This sheet 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'll be called to testify in the order in which I 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 rule. 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'll include them in the formal record. Copies of these written comments will be added to the rulemaking file. Now, we will hear oral statements, if any, from those present. Is there anyone here wishing to testify today?

Hearing no one, we want to thank the public for their participation in this rulemaking process. 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. This hearing is adjourned.