Audio transcript of the public hearing on rule-making amending WAC 308-102

January 25th, 2023

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 regulating the amending the majority of WAC 308-102. This hearing is being held via Zoom with an in-person option at the Highways and Licensing Building located in downtown Olympia, Washington at 11:00 AM on January 25th, 2023. Public notice of this hearing was given by notice number WSR 2301143 filed with the code advisor's office on December 21, 2022. Copies of the proposed rules are available at https://www.dol.wa.gov/about/driverrules.html.

The sign-in sheet, your testimony, and any documents you provide are public documents. This rule is proposed pursuant to the provisions of RCW 4601-110 rulemaking authority, RCW 4601-040 powers, duties, and functions related to motor vehicle laws vested in the department, and the administration of the laws relating to reciprocal or proportional registration of motor vehicles as provided in Chapter 4685 RCW.

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. Miriam Norman and Marta Reinhold, Assistant Administrators for the Hearings unit. Kelsey Wainwright, Megan Messer and Michael Corey, Hearings Examiners.

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 have signed in or can unmute or raise their hand when I ask if there's anyone else wishing to testify today. I will ask you to provide your contact information, which will be added to a sign-in 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 as 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 yet received any written comments on these 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. 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 today wishing to testify? Hearing no one. Thank you for, I guess, listening to this recording of the public hearing. 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.