



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

Agency: Department of Health

Subject of possible rule making: Chapter 246-72 WAC. Establishing a new chapter regarding rules for a medical marijuana consultant certificate.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: Second Substitute Senate Bill 5052 (Chapter 70, Laws of 2015, Regular Session)

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: 2SSB 5052 (Chapter 70, Laws of 2015, Regular Session) section 37, requires the Department of Health to adopt rules establishing a medical marijuana consultant certificate. The purpose of the certificate is to create standards for people that can work in medically endorsed retail stores to provide assistance to patients with selecting products to best meet their needs. Authority is also given to the department to establish fees, training, renewals, and other requirements for this certification.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:
Liquor and Cannabis Board (LCB) - the LCB has authority to license the medically endorsed marijuana retail stores who can create cards for a patient and sell medical marijuana products. The Department of Health will coordinate the implementation of 2SSB 5052 with the LCB through regular meetings and other communication.

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

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

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.)

Persons interested in receiving updates can join the Washington State Medical Marijuana Program list serv at www.doh.wa.gov/medicalmarijuana. Questions and comments may be sent by facsimile to (360) 236-2901, or by mail to the Medical Marijuana Program, PO Box 47852, Olympia WA 98504-7852. You can also email the program at medicalmarijuana@doh.wa.gov or contact by the program by phone (360) 236-4819.

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