



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

Agency: Department of Early Learning

Subject of possible rule making: Chapters 170-295 and 170-296A WAC, updating health and safety standards relating to safe sleep practices for infants napping or sleeping in licensed child care settings.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 43.215.060, RCW 43.215.070; chapter 43.215 RCW

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: Rulemaking is needed to update licensing rules pertaining to safe sleep practices in order to reduce sleep related incidents in licensed child care settings.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:
None.

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

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study

Other (describe) DEL intends to engage in negotiated rulemaking as to Chapter 170-296A WAC. Otherwise, to the extent practicable, DEL intends to seek public input during the rule drafting and development process. At a later date, DEL will file proposed rules (more than one proposed rule-making notice may be filed), hold a public hearing or hearings, and accept written comments before adopting permanent rules.

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.)

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication. Individuals and organizations wishing to receive draft and proposed materials may join a DEL rules mailing list by contacting the DEL rules coordinator at Rules@del.wa.gov, by fax (360) 725-4523, or by writing to the DEL Rules Coordinator, Department of Early Learning, P.O. Box 40970, Olympia, WA 98504-0970.

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