The Administrative Procedure Act (RCW 34.05.325(6)) requires agencies to complete a concise explanatory statement before filing adopted rules with the Office of the Code Reviser. This statement must be provided to anyone who gave comment about the proposed rulemaking.

The Department of Licensing appreciates your involvement in this rulemaking process. If you have any questions, please contact Damon Monroe, Agency Rules Coordinator, at (360) 902-3843 or email dmonroe@dol.wa.gov.

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Washington Administrative Code
Notice of Permanent Rules for Motorcycle Safety Subsidy Program

Adoption of: WAC 308-109-010 Definitions, WAC 308-109-020 Motorcycle safety subsidy, and WAC 308-109-030 Improving access to motorcycle ridership and reducing fatalities and serious injuries related to incidents involving motorcycles

Effective date: These rule changes will become effective 31 days after filing or on April 24, 2020.

What are the agency’s reasons for adopting this rule?
The Department of Licensing is adopting these rules to enact updates to RCW 46.81A.020 passed by the 2019 legislature, which requires the Department to establish a motorcycle subsidy operator program.

The DOL currently contracts with motorcycle safety educators in Washington State, providing subsidies to students and helping to ensure the availability of motorcycle safety education classes throughout the state. This rulemaking will change the way that has been done in the past. The DOL invited these business owners to participate in a series of rulemaking workshops to draft rule language. Over half the businesses were represented in the meetings. Once the group was concluded, the draft rule language and an explanation of foreseen impacts were emailed to the mailing list of motorcycle safety educators.

Summary of all public comments received on this rule proposal and the agency’s response to those comments:
The public comment period for this rulemaking began February 5, 2020 and ended on March 16, 2020. There were no public comments received. The Department attributes this to the level of engagement with impacted parties to collaboratively develop these rules.

Changes made to the proposed WAC as a result of public comment:
The Department did not make changes to the proposed language.