



RULE-MAKING ORDER EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

CR-103E (December 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.350 and 34.05.360)

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DATE: June 22, 2020

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WSR 20-14-020

Agency: Department of Licensing

Effective date of rule:

Emergency Rules

- Immediately upon filing.
- Later (specify) _____

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?

- Yes
 - No
- If Yes, explain:

Purpose: This temporary emergency rule allows employees of collection agencies to work remotely, and does not alter any requirements of the Collection Agency Act in regards to collection activity. It defines what is considered “remote work” and clarifies definitions for employees and licensees so they may work from a location other than the branch office. It includes outlining security, data storage and employee requirements for working from a remote location. A formal permanent rulemaking process will follow the adoption of this temporary rule.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

- New: 308-29-085
- Repealed:
- Amended: 308-29-010
- Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 19.16.351

Other authority:

EMERGENCY RULE

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds:

- That immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.
- That state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.

Reasons for this finding: As per the Governor’s proclamations to keep Washington residents safe and healthy during the Covid-19 Pandemic and consistent with other business and professions in this State that are able to perform work from home this emergency rule is proposed with the intent to offer licensees the ability to take precautions deemed necessary to avoid the risk of exposure and support the return of commerce in all business sectors.

**Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero.
No descriptive text.**

**Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.
A section may be counted in more than one category.**

The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:

Federal statute:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
Federal rules or standards:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>

The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:

New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
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The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:

New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
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The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
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The number of sections adopted using:

Negotiated rule making:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
Pilot rule making:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
Other alternative rule making:	New	<u>1</u>	Amended	<u>1</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>

Date Adopted: June 22, 2020

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Signature:

