



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

Agency: State Board of Education

Subject of possible rule making: WAC 180-18-055, Alternative high school graduation requirements. This WAC, originally filed May 1999, enables a school district, a high school with permission of the district board of directors, or an approved private school to apply to the State Board of Education for waiver of credit-based high school graduation requirements.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 28A.150.220, RCW 28A.305.140, RCW 28A.230.090.

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: This WAC, last amended November 2004, contains obsolete citations to RCWs and WACs and other obsolete references. Other needs for amendment may include:

1. Refine and improve the application requirements in (4).
2. Better distinguish between information required for new applications and for renewal of existing waivers.
3. Establish a due date for applications in relation to the dates of regular board meetings.
4. Establish criteria for evaluation of waiver applications and decisions whether to approve a waiver request.
5. Specify the format and manner for the annual reports required to be submitted by a school or district under (11).

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:

Superintendent of Public Instruction. The SBE will seek comment from OSPI on any draft amendment to this WAC.

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

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

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.)

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