



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

Agency: Agriculture

Subject of possible rule making: Creation of new rules for issuing licenses and conducting inspections of pass through food distribution operators.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: Chapter 98 Laws of 2014, ESSB 6388, Chapter 69.07 RCW and 69.04 RCW.

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: On March 27, 2014, the Governor signed ESSB 6388, an Act relating to pass through food distributors. The Act requires the department to adopt, by rule, requirements for pass through food distributors and develop a new direct food license and inspection program. Therefore, these rules are necessary to implement the new legislation and establish the program.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:
Washington State Department of Health

Local Health Jurisdictions.

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

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe) The agency is developing the rule in coordination with stakeholders.

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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