



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

Agency: Department of Social and Health Services, Aging & Disability Services Administration

Subject of possible rule making: The department is reviewing WAC 388-110-140 Assisted living services facility structural requirements. The department inadvertently omitted the structural requirement of a sink in the kitchen area of a resident unit when amending this section in a previous rulemaking.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: Chapter 18.20 RCW (Boarding homes); RCW 74.39A.010

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:

- To rectify an inadvertent omission of a structural requirement that occurred during a previous rulemaking.
- To provide clarity for architects, building contractors, boarding home administrators, Department of Health construction review staff and DSHS staff regarding the assisted living services facility structural requirements for kitchen areas in resident units.
- To clarify the type of sink that is required in the kitchen area of a resident unit.

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

- Washington State Building Code Council
- Washington State Department of Health, Facilities and Services Licensing, Construction Review Services
- Washington State Long-Term Care Ombudsman

Draft rules will be shared with the above entities and others for review and comment during the rulemaking process.

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

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

DSHS welcomes the public to take part in developing the rules. Anyone interested should contact the staff person identified below. DSHS will follow all established rule making procedures related to rulemaking.

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.) Contact:

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