

WSR 23-15-090
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF
LABOR AND INDUSTRIES

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Chapter 296-14 WAC, Industrial insurance.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: 2SSB 5454, chapter 370, Laws of 2023; RCW 51.04.020, 51.04.030, 51.08.142.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: In 2023, the Washington state legislature passed 2SSB 5454, chapter 370, Laws of 2023, 2SSB 5454, amending RCW 51.08.142, established posttraumatic stress disorder as a presumptive occupational disease for certain direct care registered nurses covered under workers' compensation laws.

2SSB 5454 expressly requires rule making to explain when the presumption exists for direct care registered nurses identified in 2SSB 5454 and when the presumption does not exist.

Process for Developing New Rule: Parties interested in these rules may contact the individual listed below. The public may also participate by commenting after amendments are proposed by providing written comments and/or testimony during the public hearing and comment process. Public hearings will be held after the proposed language is filed.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Jordan Ely, Department of Labor and Industries, Insurance Services, Legal Services, P.O. Box 44270, Olympia, WA 98504-4270, phone 360-902-4616, fax 360-902-5029, TTY 360-902-4252, email Jordan.ely@lni.wa.gov.

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