

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

Agency: Attorney General's Office

Subject of possible rule making: WAC 44-10-200(6), WAC 44-10-010(c), WAC 44-10-180(5), WAC 44-10-050(2), WAC 44-10-100(3), WAC 44-10-110, WAC 44-10-200(1)(d). Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 19.118.080(2) and RCW 19.118.061

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: These proposed revisions will update, streamline, and enhance the efficiency of communications, record keeping, and procedures regarding vehicle arbitrations under this Act. The revisions will also remove redundant provisions and enhance equity and fairness between the participants.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: The Department of Licensing has statutory direction regarding the proper titling, branding, or notification of corrected nonconformity of vehicles administered pursuant to RCW 19.118.061(4)(a),(b),(c).

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

<u> </u>	Negotiated	rule	making
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Pilot rule making

Agency study

Other (describe) The Legislature, in enacting the Motor Vehicle Warranty ACT RCW 19.118.080(2) directed that, "The attorney general shall adopt rules for the uniform conduct of the arbitrations by the boards whether conducted by an entity or by the attorney general pursuant to RCW 19.118.160..."

How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

Interested parties can contact or submit written comments to: G. Marc Worthy, Assistant Attorney General Office of the Attorney General 800 5th Avenue Suite 2000, TB-14 Seattle, WA 98104

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Interested parties can also use the email or mailing address above to request to be added to the stakeholder email list for this anticipated rulemaking. Rulemaking information for interested parties will also be posted on the Attorney General's Office website at www.atg.wa.gov.

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