Notice of Emergency Rules to Implement Initiative 1183

On December 7, 2011, the Washington State Liquor Control Board adopted emergency rules to implement sections of Initiative 1183.

The emergency rules were filed with the Code Reviser's office and will expire automatically after 120 days (April 7, 2012). The board has also filed a pre-proposal statement of inquiry (CR 101) with the Code Reviser's Office to begin permanent rulemaking.

If you have any questions, please contact Karen McCall, Rules Coordinator, at (360) 664-1631 or e-mail at rules@liq.wa.gov.

What are the agency's reasons for adopting these emergency rules?

New rules are needed to implement Initiative 1183 that passed on November 8, 2011. The state of Washington changed from a controlled liquor system to a privatized liquor system. Some sections of the initiative become effective on December 8, 2011. New license types were created and emergency rules are needed to clarify the language in the new laws created in Initiative 1183.

The mission of the Washington State Liquor Control Board (WSLCB) includes ensuring the responsible sale, and preventing the misuse of, alcohol.

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The emergency rules are attached.