



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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Agency: Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI)

Subject of possible rule making: WAC 392-410-350 – Seal of biliteracy

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 28A.300.575

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: OSPI is considering rulemaking concerning the Seal of Biliteracy (the Seal) to align with HB 1228 (2024), recognize additional proficiency scales, and create multiple levels of the Seal. This would put Washington state on par with other states, which have multi-tiered Seal programs. Currently, the proficiency level to earn the Seal is ACTFL Intermediate Mid. With Dual Language Education programs producing students with higher levels of proficiency, a multi-level Seal would motivate students to continue language learning beyond Intermediate Mid. A multi-tiered Seal would also encourage students to take additional languages after the requirements for the first language are met.

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

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

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe) Early solicitation of feedback and recommendations concerning new or amended rules, and consideration of comments and recommendations in the course of drafting rule language.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting:

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