



RULE-MAKING ORDER EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

CR-103E (December 2017)
(Implements RCW 34.05.350
and 34.05.360)

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DATE: August 24, 2023

TIME: 8:39 AM

WSR 23-18-011

Agency: Office of Financial Management (OFM)

Effective date of rule:

Emergency Rules

- ☒ Immediately upon filing.
☐ Later (specify)

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?

- ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, explain:

Purpose: Amend WAC 357-31-255 to allow an employer to grant up to three days leave with pay to an employee who is experiencing extraordinary or severe impacts from the 2023 wildfires referenced in Governor Jay Inslee's Emergency Proclamation, #22-05 effective August 19, 2023.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

New:
Repealed:
Amended: 357-31-255
Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 41.06.133

Other authority:

EMERGENCY RULE

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds:

- ☒ That immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.
☐ That state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.

Reasons for this finding: Effective August 19, 2023, Governor Jay Inslee issued an emergency proclamation, #23-05, 2023 Wildfires, which directed state agencies and departments to utilize state resources to respond to the event. State employees have been directly and severely impacted by this emergency, including loss of their homes and residences. In these extreme and urgent circumstances, the temporary relief provided by this emergency rulemaking is necessary to sustain the health, safety, and welfare of our state workforce.

Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero.
No descriptive text.

Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.
A section may be counted in more than one category.

The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:

Federal statute:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Federal rules or standards:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	_____	Amended	1	Repealed	_____

The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:

New ____ Amended ____ Repealed ____

The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:


New ____ Amended ____ Repealed ____

The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

New ____ Amended ____ Repealed ____

The number of sections adopted using:

Negotiated rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Pilot rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Other alternative rule making:	New	____	Amended	1	Repealed	____

Date Adopted: 8-24-2023	Signature:
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