



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

## CR-101 (October 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.310)

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**Agency:** Washington State Building Code Council

**Subject of possible rule making:** WAC 51-11R, Washington State Energy Code, Commercial Provisions.

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** RCW 19.27A.020

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** The Council is considering changes to the energy code to address possible federal preemption issues regarding appliance regulation.

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

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

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe) Technical Advisory Group review

**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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