Agency: Washington State Department of Commerce

Subject of possible rule making: Implementation of energy efficiency standards and design requirements enacted in 2019 (Chapter 286, Laws of 2019) for appliances, plumbing fittings and fixtures, lighting equipment, commercial kitchen equipment, and other products; updates and amendments to Chapter 194-24 to reflect changes in federal standards.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 19.260.070(7); Chapter 286, Laws of 2019

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: The 2019 legislation requires updates to state standards through rules. The legislation also requires rules referencing the new standards and test methods adopted through this bill, including compliance dates.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: U.S. Department of Energy – Federal standards in some cases preempt state standards.

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):
- ☐ Negotiated rule making
- ☐ Pilot rule making
- ☐ Agency study
- ☒ Other (describe) Standard rule making process

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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