# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

**CR-101 (October 2017)**  
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)  
Do NOT use for expedited rule making

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**Agency:** Washington State Department of Commerce  

**Subject of possible rule making:** Grievance requirements for Long Term Care Ombudsman Program

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**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** Chapter 43.190 RCW

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**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** Align the state rules with the federal CFR, to include an opportunity for reconsideration of any decision of the state long-term care ombudsman to grant, refuse, suspend, or remove the designation and certification of an individual long-term care ombudsman.

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**Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:** U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

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

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**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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**Additional comments:**

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