



# RULE-MAKING ORDER EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

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

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DATE: September 11, 2024

TIME: 12:11 PM

WSR 24-19-042

**Agency:** Public Disclosure Commission

**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:** The rule sets forth how HB 2032 (2024), which requires sponsor identification on previously exempted political yard signs, will be implemented upon the effective date and throughout the 2024 election cycle.

**Citation of rules affected by this order:**

- New:
- Repealed:
- Amended: WAC 390-18-030
- Suspended:

**Statutory authority for adoption:** RCW 42.17A.110; Laws of Washington 2024, chapter 148

**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:** Formal rulemaking could not be completed before the effective date for the new law, June 6, 2024, or before the June 30<sup>th</sup> deadline for implementing any new rule for the upcoming election cycle, see RCW 42.17A.110. This rule is necessary to implement the new law (HB 2032) by addressing the campaigns that will have ordered and placed yard signs prior to the effective date. Without clarification, the status of such signs would remain uncertain.

**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	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
Federal rules or standards:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>1</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>

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

New 0 Amended 0 Repealed 0

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

New 0 Amended 0 Repealed 0

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

New 0 Amended 0 Repealed 0

**The number of sections adopted using:**

Negotiated rule making:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
Pilot rule making:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
Other alternative rule making:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>

**Date Adopted:** September 11, 2024

**Name:** Sean Flynn

**Title:** General Counsel

**Signature:**

