

Washington State Board of Health

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Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1152

Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill (E2SHB) 1152 does the following:

- Establishes a statewide Public Health Advisory Board;
- Requires certain local boards of health to expand their membership to include non-elected persons; and
- Establishes standards for local community health advisory boards.



Rulemaking Scope

The Board was directed to adopt rules regarding the appointment process for the members of local boards of health who are not elected officials.

- The selection process must be fair, unbiased, and ensure membership of local boards of health include balanced representation of elected officials and non-elected individuals with a diversity of expertise and lived experience.
- The Board's rules must go into effect by July 25, 2022.



Rulemaking Status

- Preliminary draft rules shared with members of the Washington State Association of Local Public Health Officials and Washington State Association of Counties
- Community Engagement Coordinator hired to assist in this project
- Board staff will develop a community engagement plan for further input on the draft rules from those eligible to serve on local boards of health as non-elected members
- Anticipate opening informal public comment period in October



Anticipated Rulemaking Timeline

June 2021:

Pre-Proposal Statement of Inquiry (CR-101) Filed April 2022: Public Rules Hearing & Possible Rule Adoption

June – August 2021: Research and Draft Rule Language March 2022: File CR-102, Proposed Rules; Formal Public Comment Period

September – December 2021:

Interested Parties Engagement & Draft Rule Revisions January 2022: Board Briefing May 2022: File CR-103, Rulemaking Order

> July 1, 2022: Rules Effective

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