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Agency: Employment Security Department

Effective date of rule:

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- \times 31 days after filing.
- Other (specify) (If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule? □ Yes 🛛 No If Yes, explain:

Purpose: In order to provide an economic climate conducive to the retention of skilled workers in industries adversely affected by general economic downturns and to supplement depressed buying power of employees affected by such downturns, the legislature finds that the public interest would be served by the enactment of laws providing greater flexibility in the payment of unemployment compensation benefits in situations where gualified employers elect to retain employees at reduced hours rather than instituting layoffs (RCW 50.60.010).

The Employment Security Department intends to expand access to this program by repealing the rule requiring that an employer be legally registered in the state for at least six months before qualifying for the Shared Work program Citation of rules affected by this order:

New:

Repealed: WAC 192-250-015 Amended: Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: Under RCW 50.60.030, the Commissioner shall approve a shared work compensation plan if certain criteria are met; the Commissioner may also take into account any other factors which may be pertinent. RCW 50.12.010 and RCW 50.12.040 provide general rulemaking authority to the Employment Security Department.

Other authority:

PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 22-13-172 on June 22, 2022 (date). Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version: None.

If a preliminary cost-benefit analysis was prepared under RCW 34.05.328, a final cost-benefit analysis is available by contacting:

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