



# RULE-MAKING ORDER PERMANENT RULE ONLY

## CR-103P (December 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.360)

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**Agency:** Department of Health

**Effective date of rule:**

**Permanent Rules**

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:** Audiologist and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact (ASLP-IC) fees and renewal cycle. The Department of Health (department), in consultation with the Board of Hearing and Speech, is adopting a new section of rule, WAC 246-828-991, to implement House Bill (HB) 1001 (chapter 53, Laws of 2023). HB 1001, codified in chapter 18.35A RCW, entered Washington state into the ASLP-IC interstate compact for audiologists and speech-language pathologists and gave member states the discretion to charge a fee for granting compact privileges.

The ASLP-IC is a formal agreement enacted into law among participating states that allows member states to grant practice privileges to licensed audiologists and speech-language pathologists from other states. Under the ASLP-IC, licensees who wish to practice in, but live outside of Washington, may obtain privilege to practice in Washington or any other participating member state. The purpose of entering into the ASLP-IC is to improve public access to audiology and speech-language pathology services.

RCW 18.35A.030(10) allows the state of Washington to collect fees for granting the compact privilege of practicing in the state. The adopted rule sets a fee and a renewal cycle for granting practice privileges in Washington through the compact. Setting a fee and renewal cycle is necessary because RCW 43.70.250 requires that the costs of each professional licensing program be fully borne by members of that profession. Additionally, the Office of Financial Management requires professions maintain a reasonable cash reserve to cover fluctuations in cash flow and operating expenses. The adopted rule is needed to ensure the department is in alignment with RCW 43.70.250, and chapter 18.35A RCW, and to ensure that there is sufficient funding to recover the costs of issuing a license for compact privileges in Washington state.

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

New: WAC 246-828-991

Repealed: None

Amended: None

Suspended: None

**Statutory authority for adoption:** House Bill 1001 (chapter 53, Laws of 2023), RCW 43.70.110, 43.70.250, and 43.70.280

**Other authority:** Chapter 18.35A RCW

**PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)**

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 24-07-064 on March 15, 2024 (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: N/A

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**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>1</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>

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

New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
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**The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:**

New	<u>1</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
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**The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:**

New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
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**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>1</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>

**Date Adopted:** 6/20/2024

**Name:** Kristin Peterson, JD for Umair A. Shah, MD, MPH

**Title:** Chief of Policy for Secretary of Health

**Signature:**



NEW SECTION

**WAC 246-828-991 Audiologist and speech-language pathologist licensure compact privilege fees and renewal cycle.** (1) The compact privilege must be renewed no later than the expiration date of the home state license. The compact privilege holder must comply with all audiology and speech-language pathology interstate compact eligibility requirements in chapter 18.35A RCW to maintain the compact privilege.

(2) The following nonrefundable fees will be charged:

<b>Title of Fee</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Application - Original license	\$80.00
Compact renewal	\$80.00