



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

## CR-101 (October 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.310)

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**Agency:** Office of the Secretary of State

**Subject of possible rule making:** Elections

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** RCW 29A.04.611

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** Senate Bill 5843 (2024) added a provision to RCW 29A.60.200 stating that the Secretary of State may examine a county's election materials and certify the county-level results if the county canvassing board refuses to certify the election without cause. The purpose of this rulemaking is to create administrative code detailing the procedure in such a situation.

**Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:** N/A

**Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):**

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe)

**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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