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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Military spouse temporary practice permits; WAC 246-918-076 (physician assistants) and 246-919-397 (physicians), How to obtain a temporary practice permit—Military spouse. The Washington medical commission (commission) will consider amending these WAC in response to 2SHB 1009 (chapter 165, Laws of 2023), Military Spouse Employment Act.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 18.71.017 and 18.130.050; 2SHB 1009 (chapter 165, Laws of 2023).

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: 2SHB 1009 provides additional information for issuing this temporary permit, a different definition of military spouse, and other items that are not included in the WAC. The commission will consider amending these WAC to align with the bill more closely.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: None.

Process for Developing New Rule: Collaborative rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Amelia Boyd, Program Manager, P.O. Box 47866, Olympia, WA 98504-7866, phone 360-918-6336, TTY 711, email amelia.boyd@wmc.wa.gov, website https://wmc.wa.gov.

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