WAC 242-03-040  Petition for rule making.  (1) Any person may petition the board for the adoption, amendment, or repeal of any rule. Said petition shall be filed with the board at its office. The form for a petition for rule making, the criteria to be addressed, and the procedure for submission shall be as specified in RCW 34.05.330(1).

(2) Upon receipt of a petition for the adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule, the board may, in its discretion, solicit comments, invite discussion, and hold meetings concerning the matter prior to disposition of the petition.

(3) Within sixty days after submission of a petition for rule making, the board shall either:
   (a) Deny the petition in writing, stating:
      (i) Its reasons for the denial, specifically addressing the concerns raised by the petitioner and, where appropriate;
      (ii) The alternative means by which it will address the concerns raised by the petitioner; or
   (b) Initiate rule-making procedures in accordance with RCW 34.05.230.

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