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1 AN ACT Relating to rule making by a health profession board or  
2 commission; and adding a new section to chapter 18.130 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 18.130 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 The secretary of health shall coordinate and review all proposed  
7 rules, interpretive statements, policy statements, and declaratory  
8 orders, as defined in chapter 34.05 RCW, that are proposed for adoption  
9 or issuance by any health profession board or commission vested with  
10 rule-making authority identified under RCW 18.130.040(2)(b). The  
11 secretary shall review the proposed rules, interpretive statements,  
12 policy statements, and declaratory orders against criteria that  
13 include, but are not limited to, the effect of the proposed rule,  
14 statement, or order upon existing health care policies, and the effect  
15 of the proposed rule, statement, or order upon the scopes of practice  
16 of health professionals. Within thirty days of the receipt of a  
17 proposed rule, interpretive statement, policy statement, or declaratory  
18 order from the originating board or commission, the secretary shall  
19 inform the board or commission of the results of the secretary's

1 review, and shall provide any comments or suggestions that the  
2 secretary deems appropriate. Emergency rule making, as defined in RCW  
3 34.05.350, is not subject to this review process. The secretary shall  
4 adopt rules and procedures for the coordination and review of proposed  
5 rules, interpretive statements, policy statements, and declaratory  
6 orders.

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