



DEPARTMENT OF
ECOLOGY
State of Washington

Recycling Reform Act

Ecology Update

March 13, 2026

Recycling Reform Act registrations

Producer Responsibility Organization

- Circular Action Alliance
- Contact: Julie Gilbertson



**Circular
Action
Alliance[®]**

Alternative collection registration

- Interchange 360
- Contact: David Lawes



Interchange 360
A trademark of LPMA

Open Public Meetings Act

RCW 42.56: Public records act

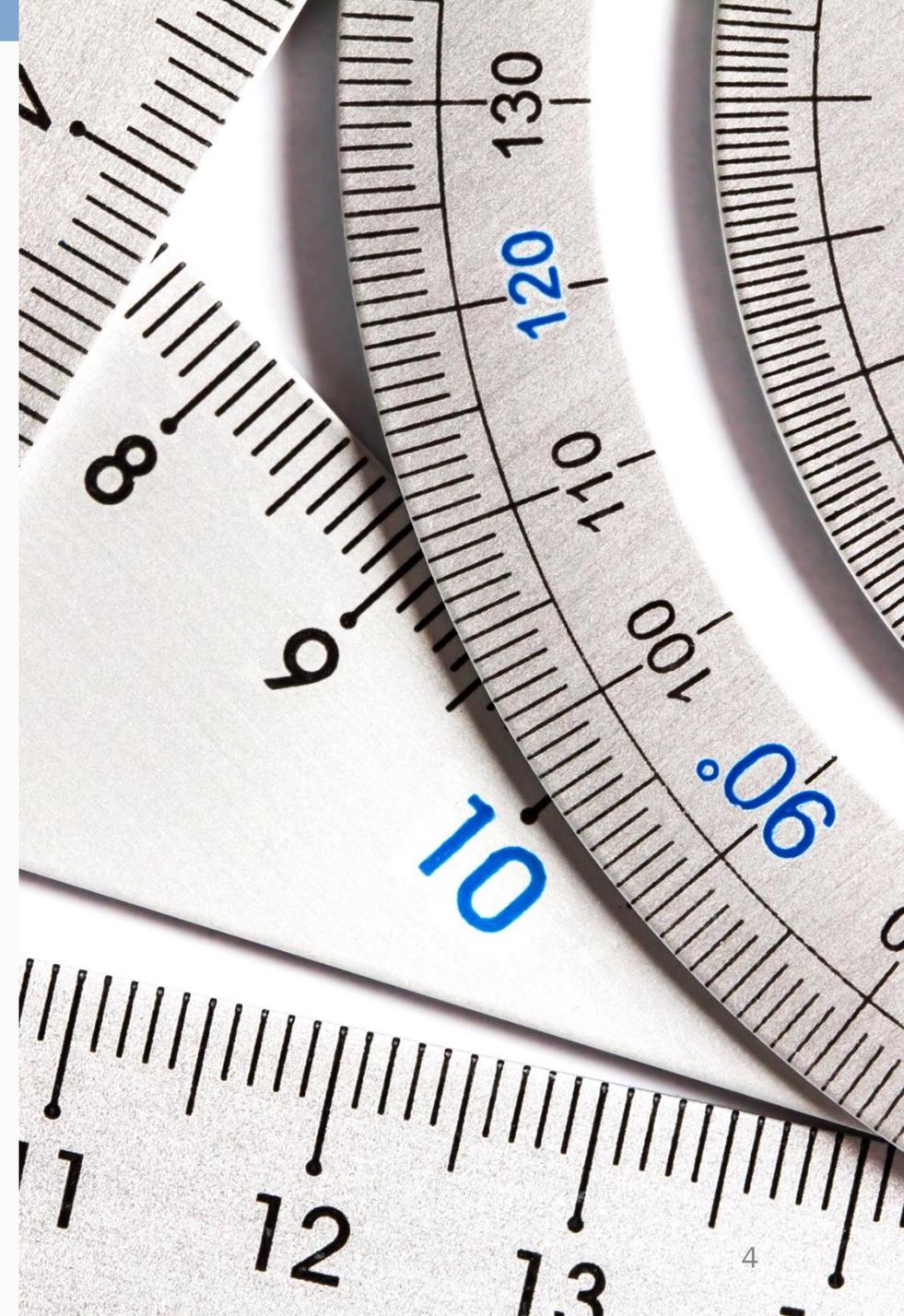
RCW 42.30: Open public meetings act

- RRA advisory council must comply with OPMA (RCW 70A.208.050(8)(b))
- Meetings are open to the public for all deliberations and discussions
- Post agenda, meeting schedule, and minutes (notes)
- Actions and votes must be public
- Each meeting will include public comment



Recycling Reform Rule

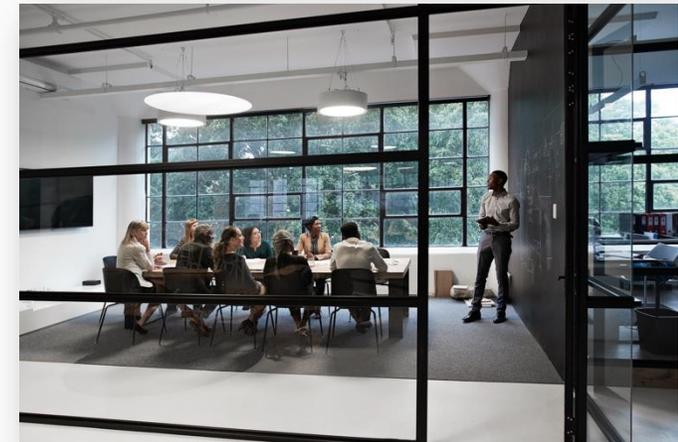
- Three phases of rulemaking
 - CR-101: Notice of rulemaking
 - CR-102: Rule proposal notice
 - CR-103: Rule adoption notice
- Administrative Procedures Act
RCW 34.05
 - Ensures transparency
 - Public participation
 - Consistency



Rule Notice and Development



- March 2026: announce rulemaking
- May 2026 to June 2027:
 - Rulemaking committee meetings
 - Public comment on draft language
- June 2027 to October 2027:
 - Finalize language, conduct economic impact analysis
 - Final agency approval; Proposed Rule



Rule Proposal to Adoption



- October to December 2027:
 - Public hearings and comment period
- January to March 2028:
 - Consider public input
 - Update economic analysis
- April 2028:
 - Adopt Recycling Reform Rule
 - Rule effective May 2028



Questions

- Email the Ecology team:
- RecyclingReform@ecy.wa.gov
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