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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
Aging and Long-Term Support Administration
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AL TSA: AFH #2024-018
WITHDRAWN AND REFILED CR-101 TO PROPOSE AMENDING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER
388-76 WAC- ADULT FAMILY HOME MINIMUM LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

Dear Adult Family Home Provider:

On April 30, 2024, the Department of Social and Health Services (department) withdrew the CR-101 filed under WSR 23-17-056. The department had filed the CR-101 to consider amending rules in WAC 388-76-10031 to clarify requirements for Adult Family Homes (AFH) wishing to increase capacity to seven or eight beds when the AFH serves only residents who do not require assistance with evacuation and the home does not have a residential sprinkler system. Rulemaking is needed to align the rules with the department's interpretation of statute.

On April 30, 2024, the department refiled a CR-101 on this project under [WSR 24-10-097](#). The new filing combines the original project with new proposed rulemaking to implement [Enrolled Substitute House Bill \(ESHB\) 2015](#) (Chapter 147, Laws of 2024). The statute change allows the department to temporarily prioritize inspections of AFHs that apply to increase capacity to seven or eight beds when they meet all other requirements. See Provider Letter [AFH #024-013.pdf](#) for more information about implementation. The department may amend other rules as necessary.

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If you have any questions about this rulemaking project, including how to participate, please contact Colleen Jensen, Policy Program Manager, at (564) 999-3182 or colleen.jensen1@dshs.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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