



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (October 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.310)

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Agency: Department of Social and Health Services, Economic Services Administration

Subject of possible rule making: The department is planning to amend WAC 388-436-0050, Determining financial need and benefit amount for CEAP; WAC 388-478-0005, Cash assistance need and payment standards and grant maximum; and other related rules as may be required.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 74.04.005; RCW 74.04.050; RCW 74.04.055; RCW 74.04.057; RCW 74.04.510; RCW 74.04.655; RCW 74.04.660; RCW 74.04.770; RCW 74.04.0052; RCW 74.08.043; RCW 74.08.090; RCW 74.08.335; RCW 74.08A.100; RCW 74.08A.120; RCW 74.08A.230; and RCW 74.62.030.

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: Planned amendments will implement a maximum household payment increase for TANF and related updates to Consolidated Emergency Assistance Program standards as provided in the 2021-2023 Supplemental Operating Budget (ESSB 5693).

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: None

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study

Other (describe) DSHS welcomes the public to take part in developing the rules. Anyone interested should

contact the staff person identified below. At a later date, DSHS will file a proposal with the Office of the Code Reviser with a notice of proposed rulemaking. A copy of the proposal will be sent to everyone on the mailing list and to anyone who requests a copy.

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