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(Economic Services Administration)

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: The department is planning to amend WAC 388-412-0040 Can I get my benefits replaced?, and other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 74.04.500, 74.04.510, and 74.08A.120.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: Planned amendments will authorize replacement of skimmed or stolen Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits, pending final approval of our 2023 state plan for the replacement of stolen EBT benefits. Planned amendments will also authorize replacement of state food assistance program benefits. In addition, these amendments will update WAC language to align with federal rules as needed.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: United States Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Services.

Process for Developing New Rule: The department invites the public to review and provide input on the draft language of this rule. Draft material and information about how to participate may be obtained from the department representative listed below.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Alexis Miller, P.O. Box 45470, Olympia, WA 98504-5470, phone 253-579-3144, email alexis.a.miller@dshs.wa.gov.

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