WSR 24-13-011 PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES [Filed June 6, 2024, 9:26 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: Chapter 110-90 WAC, Extended foster care program, and all other related rules.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: SB 5908; RCW 74.13.031, 13.34.267; and 42 U.S.C. Section 671-675.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The child welfare division is making changes to the extended foster care (EFC) program WAC in chapter 110-90 WAC and other related rules as required by SB 5908 which take effect June 6, 2024. These changes will reduce systemic barriers to youth who are dependent at the age of 18 and voluntarily enroll in the EFC program by eliminating the federal eligibility requirements.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: Not applicable. Process for Developing New Rule: Collaborative.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Christopher McLaughlin, Yakima, Washington, phone 509-731-9946, email christopher.mclaughlin@dcyf.wa.gov, website https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/practice/policy-laws-rules/rule-making, https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/practice/policy-laws-rules/rule-making/ participate.

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