

WSR 24-24-099
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF
CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES
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Subject of Possible Rule Making: New chapter 110-146 WAC, Licensing requirements for residential private schools (RPS), and all other related rules.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: ESSB 5515, section 3, chapter 441, Laws of 2023; RCW 74.15.020; chapter 43.216 RCW.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The department of children, youth, and families (DCYF) licensing division is creating a new rules chapter to meet the requirements of ESSB 5515. DCYF does not currently license RPSs, but with this new legislation, DCYF will create new rules for licensing the residential component of RPSs and begin licensing these schools statewide. These rules will include application requirements, as well as licensing and monitoring requirements for the residential component of an RPS's program.

Process for Developing New Rule: Negotiated rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Melanie Morris, 6860 Capital Boulevard S.E., Building 2, Tumwater, WA 98504, phone 360-827-2463, email melanie.morris@dcyf.wa.gov, website www.dcyf.wa.gov; or Michael Williams, 1500 Jefferson Street S.E., Olympia, WA 98501, phone 360-688-0195, email michael.williams2@dcyf.wa.gov, website www.dcyf.wa.gov.

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