

WSR 22-14-027
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
(Economic Services Administration)
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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Department of social and health services (DSHS) is planning to amend WAC 388-454-0006 The department makes background checks on adults who are acting in place of a parent without court-ordered custody, and other related rules as may be required.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 43.43.832, 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.08.090, and 74.12.290.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: DSHS is required to determine eligibility for "in loco parentis" caregivers to receive a cash grant for a child while acting in place of a parent. Planned amendments will support caregivers in receiving cash and support the well-being and safety of children in the care of "in loco parentis" caregivers.

Process for Developing New Rule: 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 rule making. A copy of the proposal will be sent to everyone on the mailing list and to anyone who requests a copy.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Sarah Mintzer, P.O. Box 45470, Olympia, WA 98504-5470, phone 360-764-0050, fax 360-725-4905, email sarah.mintzer@dshs.wa.gov.

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