

**WSR 21-11-067**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF**  
**SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES**  
(Economic Services Administration)  
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Subject of Possible Rule Making: The department is planning to amend WAC 388-424-0001 Citizenship and alien status—Definitions, 388-400-0010 Who is eligible for state family assistance?, 388-424-0030 How does my alien status impact my eligibility for state-funded benefits under the food assistance program?, 388-424-0010 Citizenship and alien status—Eligibility for TANF, 388-424-0015 Immigrant eligibility restrictions for the state family assistance, ABD cash and PWA programs, 388-424-0009 Citizenship and alien status—Social Security number (SSN) requirements; and other related rules as appropriate. The department is also planning to adopt a new section to chapter 388-490 WAC, Verification.

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

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: Planned amendments are necessary to implement 3SSB 5164, chapter 136, Laws of 2020, which takes effect on February 1, 2022, and assists survivors of certain crimes.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: The community services division will coordinate review of proposed rule making with the health care authority.

Process for Developing New Rule: The department of social and health services (DSHS) welcomes the public to take part in developing these 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 Olga Walker, P.O. Box 45470, Olympia, WA 98504-5470, phone 360-725-4641, fax 360-725-4905, email [olga.walker@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:olga.walker@dshs.wa.gov).

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