

WSR 22-08-069  
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY  
DEPARTMENT OF  
SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES  
(Economic Services Administration)  
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Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 388-478-0033 What are the payment standards for aged, blind, or disabled (ABD) cash assistance?; and other related rules as may be required.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 74.04.005, 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.510, 74.04.655, 74.04.770, 74.04.0052, 74.08.043, 74.08.090, 74.08.335, 74.08A.100, 74.08A.120, 74.08A.230, and 74.62.030.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: In anticipation of enactment of the 2021-2023 supplemental operating budget, which includes funding to increase the ABD payment standard as of September 1, 2022, planned amendments to WAC 388-478-0033 will reflect the updated payment standard.

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: The department of social and health services (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 Nicholas Swiatkowski, Economic Services Administration, Community Services Division, P.O. Box 45470, Olympia, WA 98504-5470, phone 360-764-3494, fax 360-725-4905, email Nicholas.swiatkowski@dshs.wa.gov.

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