Subject of Possible Rule Making: The department is planning to amend WAC 388-310-080 WorkFirst—Support services, and other related rules as may be required.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.500, 74.04.510, 74.08.090, 74.08A.120, and 74.08A.250.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: These amendments implement an expansion of supports services to directly address housing and utilities needs in state fiscal year 2022-2023 per the 2021-2023 supplemental operating budget (ESSB 5693).

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 Kathryn Gussett, P.O. Box 45470, Olympia, WA 98504-5470, fax 509-290-8435, email gussekr@dshs.wa.gov.

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