



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

## CR-101 (October 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.310)

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**Agency:** Department of Social and Health Services, Economic Services Administration

**Subject of possible rule making:** The department is proposing to amend WAC 388-484-0006, TANF/SFA time limit extensions, and other related rules as may be required.

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** RCW 74.04.050; RCW 74.04.055; RCW 74.04.057; RCW 74.04.770, and RCW 74.08.090.

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** These amendments expand Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) time limit extension hardship criteria under RCW 74.08A.010 (5)(a)(1) by adding a temporary time limit extension related to post-pandemic recovery (from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022) and a time limit extension category related to Second Substitute Senate Bill 5214 (Chapter 239, Laws of 2021) effective July 25, 2021.

**Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:** None

**Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):**

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe) 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 rulemaking. 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:**

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