PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (October 2017)
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)
Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

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

Subject of possible rule making: The department is planning to amend WAC 388-310-0800, *"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: Effective July 1, 2024, planned amendments will restore WorkFirst support services to address housing and utility needs for participants. If applicable, these amendments will make additional changes required to improve clarity, update policy, or better align rule language with state and federal law or regulations. Funding for these services is supported within the WorkFirst Spending Plan for state fiscal year 2025.

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:

	(If necessary)
Name: Gary Fryer	Name:
Address: PO Box 45470, Olympia WA 98504-5470	Address:
Phone: 253-720-5306	Phone:
Fax: 360-725-4905	Fax:
TTY:	TTY:
Email: gary.fryer@dshs.wa.gov	Email:
Web site:	Web site:
Other:	Other:

Additional comments:

Date: April 15, 2024

Name: Katherine I. Vasquez

Title: DSHS Rules Coordinator

Signature: