



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

Subject of possible rule making: The department is planning amendments to the following WAC sections: WAC 388-487-0010, "What is the sun bucks program?", 388-487-0020, "Is my child eligible for sun bucks?", 388-487-0030, "General information about sun bucks benefits.", and other related rules as may be needed.

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

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: Planned amendments are necessary for the continued implementation and ongoing management of the SUN Bucks program. USDA Food and Nutrition Service approved Washington's Plan of Maintenance and Operation to operate SUN Bucks to assist eligible children who do not have access to regular free or reduced-price school meals during the 2025 summer period. 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.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: USDA Food and Nutrition Service (FNS): USDA FNS approved Washington's Plan of Maintenance and Operation to operate SUN Bucks to assist eligible children during the 2025 summer period.

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

☐ Negotiated rule making

☐ Pilot rule making

☐ Agency study

☒ Other (describe) The department invites the interested public to review and provide input on the draft language of this rule. Draft material and information about how to participate may be obtained from the department representative listed below.

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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