



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 to amend WAC 388-412-0040, Can I get my benefits replaced?, and other related rules as may be required.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 74.04.500, 74.04.510, 74.08A.120

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: Planned amendments will align WAC language with federal regulations specifying the final date for submitting a claim to replace benefits stolen on or before December 20, 2024, via skimming, cloning, or other fraudulent methods. If applicable, additional amendments may be included 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: DSHS partners with the United States Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service to administer the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program in Washington, known as Basic Food.

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 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:

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