



PROPOSED RULE MAKING

CR-102 (December 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.320)

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WSR 18-07-043

Agency: Department of Social and Health Services, Children's Administration

Original Notice

Supplemental Notice to WSR _____

Continuance of WSR _____

Preproposal Statement of Inquiry was filed as WSR 18-03-173 ; or

Expedited Rule Making--Proposed notice was filed as WSR _____; or

Proposal is exempt under RCW 34.05.310(4) or 34.05.330(1); or

Proposal is exempt under RCW _____.

Title of rule and other identifying information: (describe subject) The department is proposing to amend WAC 388-27-0090 "What information must the department or child placing agency provide to prospective adoptive parents about the child that is being considered for adoption?".

Hearing location(s):

Date:	Time:	Location: (be specific)	Comment:
April 24, 2018	10:00 a.m.	Office Building 2 DSHS Headquarters 1115 Washington Olympia, WA 98504	Public parking at 11 th and Jefferson. A map is available at: https://www.dshs.wa.gov/sesa/rules-and-policies-assistance-unit/driving-directions-office-bldg-2

Date of intended adoption: Not earlier than April 25, 2018 (Note: This is **NOT** the **effective** date)

Submit written comments to:

Name: DSHS Rules Coordinator

Address: PO Box 45850
Olympia, WA 98504

Email: DSHSRPAURulesCoordinator@dshs.wa.gov

Fax: 360-664-6185

Other:

By (date) 5:00 p.m. April 24, 2018

Assistance for persons with disabilities:

Contact Jeff Kildahl, DSHS Rules Consultant

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TTY: 711 Relay Service

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Other:

By (date) _____

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules: This rule is being amended to clarify the documents needed to comply with RCW 26.33.350 and RCW 26.33.380. These amendments also eliminate the duplication of information in regards to court report documents.

Reasons supporting proposal: See purpose statement above.

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 74.13.031

Statute being implemented:

Is rule necessary because of a:

Federal Law?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Federal Court Decision?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
State Court Decision?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

If yes, CITATION:

Agency comments or recommendations, if any, as to statutory language, implementation, enforcement, and fiscal matters: None

Name of proponent: (person or organization) Department of Social and Health Services

<input type="checkbox"/> Private
<input type="checkbox"/> Public
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Governmental

Name of agency personnel responsible for:

	Name	Office Location	Phone
Drafting:	Debbie Marker	PO Box 45710 Olympia, WA 98504	360-902-7968
Implementation:	Debbie Marker	PO Box 45710 Olympia, WA 98504	360-902-7968
Enforcement:	Debbie Marker	PO Box 45710 Olympia, WA 98504	360-902-7968

Is a school district fiscal impact statement required under RCW 28A.305.135? Yes No

If yes, insert statement here:

The public may obtain a copy of the school district fiscal impact statement by contacting:

Name:
Address:
Phone:
Fax:
TTY:
Email:
Other:

Is a cost-benefit analysis required under RCW 34.05.328?

Yes: A preliminary cost-benefit analysis may be obtained by contacting:

Name:
Address:
Phone:
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TTY:
Email:
Other:

No: Please explain: A CBA is not required under RCW 34.05.328(5)(b)(iii), rules adopted by reference without material change to ensure the WACs are consistent with state requirements. The rule content is dictated by statute.

Regulatory Fairness Act Cost Considerations for a Small Business Economic Impact Statement:

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, **may be exempt** from requirements of the Regulatory Fairness Act (see chapter 19.85 RCW). Please check the box for any applicable exemption(s):

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under RCW 19.85.061 because this rule making is being adopted solely to conform and/or comply with federal statute or regulations. Please cite the specific federal statute or regulation this rule is being adopted to conform or comply with, and describe the consequences to the state if the rule is not adopted.

Citation and description:

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt because the agency has completed the pilot rule process defined by RCW 34.05.313 before filing the notice of this proposed rule.

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under the provisions of RCW 15.65.570(2) because it was adopted by a referendum.

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under RCW 19.85.025(3). Check all that apply:

- RCW 34.05.310 (4)(b) (Internal government operations)
- RCW 34.05.310 (4)(e) (Dictated by statute)
- RCW 34.05.310 (4)(c) (Incorporation by reference)
- RCW 34.05.310 (4)(f) (Set or adjust fees)
- RCW 34.05.310 (4)(d) (Correct or clarify language)
- RCW 34.05.310 (4)(g) ((i) Relating to agency hearings; or (ii) process requirements for applying to an agency for a license or permit)

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under RCW ____.

Explanation of exemptions, if necessary:

COMPLETE THIS SECTION ONLY IF NO EXEMPTION APPLIES

If the proposed rule is **not exempt**, does it impose more-than-minor costs (as defined by RCW 19.85.020(2)) on businesses?

No Briefly summarize the agency's analysis showing how costs were calculated. _____

Yes Calculations show the rule proposal likely imposes more-than-minor cost to businesses, and a small business economic impact statement is required. Insert statement here:

The public may obtain a copy of the small business economic impact statement or the detailed cost calculations by contacting:

- Name:
- Address:
- Phone:
- Fax:
- TTY:
- Email:
- Other:

Date: March 12, 2018

Name: Katherine I. Vasquez

Title: DSHS Rules Coordinator

Signature:

WAC 388-27-0090 What information must the department or child placing agency provide to prospective adoptive parents about the child that is being considered for adoption? (1) The department or the child placing agency must provide a medical report containing all known and available information concerning the mental, physical, and sensory handicaps of an adopted child, or a child placed for adoption, to the adoptive or prospective adoptive parents under the authority of RCW 26.33.020, 26.33.340, 26.33.343 and 26.33.350.

(2) The department or the child placing agency worker must provide the child's medical and family background report, DSHS 13-041(X), to the prospective adoptive parents. This report must include documentation of efforts made to obtain medical and social information on the child and birth parents.

(3) The department must provide a social history report on the child and birth family that includes, at a minimum in accordance with RCW 26.33.380:

(a) Circumstances of the child's birth including all child medical records known and available to the department;

(b) All case notes from the child's file to provide a chronological report of how the child came to be available for adoption;

(c) The child's placement and legal history;

(d) ((All)) The dependency fact finding court report and the latest court reports pertaining to the dependency and custody of the child at time of pre-adoption disclosure;

(e) The child's education history, including school reports and records known and available to the department; and

(f) The child's psychological and psychiatric reports and recommendations known and available to the department.