



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

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Agency: Health Care Authority

Subject of possible rule making: WAC 182-512-0600, SSI-related medical – Definition of income; WAC 182-512-0650, SSI-related medical – Available income; WAC 182-512-0800, SSI-related medical – General income exclusions; other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 41.05.021, RCW 41.05.160

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: The agency is amending these rules to remove food assistance from the calculation of income when determining a person's eligibility for Washington Apple Health Supplemental Security Income (SSI)-related medical programs. These amendments are consistent with [changes to federal rules](#) regarding the treatment of food assistance within the SSI program, effective September 30, 2024. During the course of this review, HCA may identify additional related changes that are required in order to improve clarity or update policy.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: Social Security Administration

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

Negotiated rule making

Pilot rule making

Agency study

Other (describe) The agency welcomes the public to take part in developing this rule. If interested, contact the person

identified below to receive an early rule draft to review. After the early review, the agency will send a notice of proposed rulemaking (CR-102) to everyone receiving this notice and 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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Additional comments:

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