



RULE-MAKING ORDER PERMANENT RULE ONLY

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

Effective date of rule:

Permanent Rules

- 31 days after filing.
 Other (specify) July 1, 2024 (If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?

- Yes No If Yes, explain:

Purpose: The department is adopting amendments to WAC 388-478-0015, "*Need standards for cash assistance.*" These amendments are necessary per RCW 74.04.770, which requires the department to annually update standards of need using an existing, broadly-used national standard. The amendments reflect this required update using the University of Washington Center for Women's Welfare Self-Sufficiency Standard.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

New: None
Repealed: None
Amended: WAC 388-478-0015
Suspended: None

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.510, 74.04.770, and 74.08.090

Other authority:

PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 24-08-070 on April 2, 2024 (date).
Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version: None

If a preliminary cost-benefit analysis was prepared under RCW 34.05.328, a final cost-benefit analysis is available by contacting:

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**Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.
A section may be counted in more than one category.**

The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:

Federal statute:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Federal rules or standards:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___

The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:

New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
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The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:

New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
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The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
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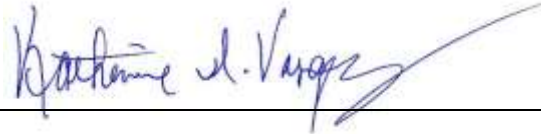
Negotiated rule making:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Pilot rule making:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Other alternative rule making:	New	___	Amended	1	Repealed	___

Date Adopted: May 21, 2024

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WAC 388-478-0015 Need standards for cash assistance. The monthly need and payment standards for cash assistance are based on a determination of the assistance unit size. The need standards for cash assistance units are:

Assistance unit size	Need standard
1	\$((3,258)) <u>3,732</u>
2	((5,290)) <u>5,911</u>
3	((6,396)) <u>7,270</u>
4	((8,359)) <u>9,369</u>
5	((9,872)) <u>11,229</u>
6	((11,463)) <u>13,104</u>
7	((13,081)) <u>14,998</u>
8	((14,542)) <u>16,842</u>
9	((16,428)) <u>18,890</u>
10 or more	((19,017)) <u>21,888</u>