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TO: Interested Persons

FROM: Melissa Sayer, Safety Administrator

SUBJECT: CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT (RCW 34.05.325)

For rules proposed under notice filed as WSR 23-19-078 on September 19, 2023:

Amended WAC 110-30-0020 (What definitions apply to these rules?) and WAC 110-30-0050 (Who may receive child protective services?).

REASON FOR ADOPTION: ESSB 5515 (2023), section 3(1)(c), requires DCYF to "adopt rules to implement this section." Section 3 of this bill amended RCW 26.44.210 to expand DCYF's investigative duties to include several new program types: the Washington center for deaf and hard of hearing, substance use disorder treatment facilities licensed under chapter 71.24 RCW that treat patients on a residential basis, entities that provide behavioral health services as defined in RCW 71.24.025 on a residential basis, host homes as described in RCW 74.15.02)(2)(o), and residential private schools (defined in subsection 3(3) of that same bill).

CHANGES MADE SINCE THE RULE WAS PROPOSED: None.

This document also serves as the summary of public hearing comments to the agency head required under RCW 34.05.325(4).

cc: DCYF Rules Coordinator