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TO: Interested Persons

FROM: Nicole Parker, Assistant Administrator

Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP)

SUBJECT: CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT (RCW 34.05.325)

For rules proposed under notice filed as WSR 24-08-066 on April 1, 2024:

Amended: WAC 110-425-0030 Definitions

REASON FOR ADOPTION: The Early Learning Division of DCYF is amending WAC 110-425-0030 Definitions because the Fair Start for Kids Act (Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill 5237) requires DCYF to establish a definition of an Indian child that will be used for Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP) enrollment. The definition will include federally recognized tribal members and increase clarity around which children are eligible for enrollment as an Indian child into ECEAP programming. The definition needs to be in rule by July 1, 2024.

SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES MADE SINCE THE RULE WAS PROPOSED: None.

No comments about the proposed rules were received.

cc: DCYF Rules Coordinator