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CR-103E (December 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.350 and 34.05.360)

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WSR 24-14-035

Agency: Department of Children, Youth and Families

Effective date of rule:

Emergency Rules

□ Immediately upon filing.

Later (specify) July 1, 2024

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

Purpose: The Early Learning Division is revising the infant enhancement rate and non-standard hours bonus rate to align with legislative requirements required by July 1, 2024.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

New: Repealed:

Amended: 110-15-0215; 110-15-0249

Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: Chapter 34.05 RCW; RCW 43.216.020; RCW 43.216.065; Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5950, section 229, chapter 376, Laws of 2024.

Other authority:

EMERGENCY RULE

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds:

- That immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.
- That state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.

Reasons for this finding: These emergency rules are needed to comply with Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5950, section 229, chapter 376, Laws of 2024 which go into effect July 1, 2024.

Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero. No descriptive text.

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Federal statute:	New	Amended		Repealed	
Federal rules or standards:	New	Amended		Repealed	
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	Amended	2	Repealed	

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 22-12-072, filed 5/27/22, effective 7/1/22)

WAC 110-15-0215 Infant enhanced rate. Licensed and certified child care providers accepting state subsidy may receive an infant enhancement payment of $((\frac{990}{)})$ $\frac{9300}{2300}$ per month for each infant who is enrolled in their child care and attends at least one day per month.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 23-23-083, filed 11/13/23, effective 12/14/23)

WAC 110-15-0249 Nonstandard hours bonus. (1) Consumers' providers may receive a nonstandard hours bonus (NSHB) payment((s)) per child per month for care provided if:

(a) The providers are licensed or certified;

(b) They provide at least 30 hours of nonstandard hours care during one month; and

(c) The total cost of the state's NSHB payments do not exceed the amount appropriated for this purpose by the legislature for the current fiscal year.

- (2) Nonstandard hours are defined as:
- (a) Before 6 a.m. or after 6 p.m.;
- (b) Any hours on Saturdays and Sundays; and
- (c) Any hours on legal holidays, as defined in RCW 1.16.050.
- (3) NSHB amounts are:
- (a) One hundred ((thirty-five)) fifty dollars for family homes;

and

(b) One hundred ((thirty-five)) fifty dollars for centers.