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TO: Interested Persons

FROM: Geene Delaplane, Kinship and Guardianship Program Manager

SUBJECT: CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT (*RCW 34.05.325*)

For rules proposed under notice filed as WSR 24-06-049 on March 1, 2024:

Created WAC 110-85-0010, 110-85-0020, 110-85-0030,110-85-0040, 110-85-0050, 110-85-0060, 110-85-0070, 110-85-0080, 110-85-0090, 110-85-0100, 110-85-0110, 110-85-0120,110-85-0130,110-85-0140, 110-85-0150, 110-85-0160, 110-85-0170, 110-85-0180, 110-85-0190, 110-85-0200, 110-85-0210, 110-85-0220, 110-85-0230, 110-85-0240, and 110-85-0250

REASON FOR ADOPTION: The new rules will create and clarify the GAP application process, eligibility requirements, program standards, and the process for adjudicating denied applications. The new rules will also provide the eligibility criteria for the EGAP.

SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES MADE SINCE THE RULE WAS PROPOSED: None.

No comments about the proposed rules were received.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: WAC 110-85-0210 Extended GAP agreement and subsidy program has been revised since the filing of the CR-102. Legislative changes from SB 5908 affect this WAC and take effect on June 6, 2024. The reference to the extended foster care program was removed and replaced with a reference to the eligibility criteria for guardianship subsidies. With this revision, there is no change to the eligibility criteria for EGAP youth. This is not a substantive change as outlined in RCW 34.05.340, as it does not change the general subject matter of the rule, nor who is affected by the rule.

cc: DCYF Rules Coordinator