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Brief Title: Establishing that leave to care for a newborn child is not leaving work voluntarily without good cause.

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Pertains to situations where the separation was to allow the claimant to care for the claimant's newborn child under the age of one month, if the claimant gave notice to the employer at least thirty days before leave to care for the newborn child was expected to begin and promptly requested reemployment at the end of the leave. No otherwise eligible individual may be denied benefits for any week during the month in which the individual is on leave for the purpose described in this provision because of RCW 50.20.010(3), 50.20.080, or 50.22.020(1) relating to availability for work and active search for work, or failure to apply for or refusal to accept suitable work.