

**HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT[441]**

**Notice of Intended Action**

**Proposing rulemaking related to interstate compact for juveniles  
and providing an opportunity for public comment**

The Department of Health and Human Services hereby proposes to rescind Chapter 143, “Interstate Compact on Juveniles,” and to adopt a new Chapter 143, “Interstate Compact for Juveniles,” Iowa Administrative Code.

*Legal Authority for Rulemaking*

This rulemaking is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code chapter 232.

*State or Federal Law Implemented*

This rulemaking implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code sections 232.171 through 232.173 and 4 U.S.C. Section 112.

*Purpose and Summary*

The purpose of this proposed chapter is to provide consistent practice and structure for implementing the Interstate Compact for Juveniles (Compact). Participation in the Compact serves multiple purposes, some of which include ensuring safety of not only the youths but the communities in which they reside and returning to their homes youths who have run away, escaped or absconded.

This proposed chapter was reviewed pursuant to Executive Order 10. As a result of the review, the Department updated the title of the chapter to reflect the correct name of the Compact and eliminated an obsolete subrule.

*Regulatory Analysis*

A Regulatory Analysis for this rulemaking was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on April 1, 2026. A public hearing was held on the following date(s):

- April 21, 2026

*Fiscal Impact*

This rulemaking has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

*Jobs Impact*

After analysis and review of this rulemaking, no impact on jobs has been found.

*Waivers*

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rulemaking would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Department for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to 441—Chapter 6.

*Public Comment*

Any interested person may submit written or oral comments concerning this proposed rulemaking, which must be received by the Department no later than 4:30 p.m. on June 2, 2026. Comments should be directed to:

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### *Public Hearing*

Public hearings at which persons may present their views orally or in writing will be held as follows:

June 2, 2026 10 to 10:30 a.m.	Microsoft Teams Meeting ID: 292 485 993 110 827 Passcode: SZ3ZF7WH
June 2, 2026 2 to 2:30 p.m.	Microsoft Teams Meeting ID: 210 627 075 668 02 Passcode: pS9uT6Pb

Persons who wish to make oral comments at a public hearing may be asked to state their names for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of this proposed rulemaking.

Any persons who intend to attend a public hearing and have special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact the Department and advise of specific needs.

### *Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee*

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rulemaking by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rulemaking at its [regular monthly meeting](#) or at a special meeting. The Committee's meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

The following rulemaking action is proposed:

ITEM 1. Rescind 441—Chapter 143 and adopt the following **new** chapter in lieu thereof:

### CHAPTER 143 INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR JUVENILES

**441—143.1(232) Compact agreement.** As a member of the interstate compact for juveniles, Iowa is in a contractual agreement with the other 49 states, the District of Columbia or its designee, and the United States Virgin Islands, in which the department shall cooperate on interstate aspects of juvenile delinquency, and the return from one state to another of nondelinquent children who have run away from home.

**441—143.2(232) Compact administrator.**

**143.2(1)** The compact administrator may appoint a deputy compact administrator to serve as an active member of the interstate commission for juveniles and who shall be responsible for day-to-day operation of the interstate compact.

**143.2(2)** The compact administrator shall be responsible for the administration of the compact between the compact administrator's state and other contracting states.

**441—143.3(232) Sending a juvenile out of Iowa under the compact.**

**143.3(1)** Local officials requesting to transfer a juvenile to another state shall work through the office of the compact administrator. All persons using the compact shall comply with the official rules and regulations promulgated by the compact administrator under the authority of the compact.

**143.3(2)** Interstate Compact for Juveniles Form VI, Application for Services and Waiver, shall be signed by the juvenile and a witness, the Iowa juvenile court judge consenting to the placement in the receiving state, and the juvenile compact deputy.

**143.3(3)** The Application for Services and Waiver shall have the conditions of the probation or parole as granted by the court of jurisdiction attached.

**143.3(4)** Whenever a juvenile is accepted in another state for supervision, the Iowa sending agency shall send medical release and financial statements signed by the parents or guardian.

**441—143.4(232) Receiving cases in Iowa under the interstate compact.**

**143.4(1)** The department shall accept supervision of out-of-state cases when a juvenile meets the requirements of the interstate compact.

**143.4(2)** The department shall exercise the same care and treatment that is given to Iowa cases to notify the sending state promptly of any violations or antisocial behavior that may occur.

**143.4(3)** The receiving state shall promptly upon parole or probation violation notify the sending state. Prior to making a recommendation for revocation of parole or probation, a preliminary hearing shall be held to determine if there is probable cause for revocation of parole or probation.

**143.4(4)** A parolee or probationer from another state held or placed in Iowa under the provisions of article I of the compact and who commits a felony while in Iowa shall be:

- a. Returned to the sending state per mutual agreement; or
- b. Processed according to the Iowa statutes and not returned to the sending state for violation.

**441—143.5(232) Runaways.**

**143.5(1)** A runaway from Iowa or to Iowa shall be returned to the state of residence only after Interstate Commission for Juveniles Rule 6-102 as amended to August 1, 2026, setting forth the voluntary procedures, or Interstate Commission for Juveniles Rule 6-103 as amended to August 1, 2026, setting forth the involuntary procedures, has been completed by the asylum court of jurisdiction.

**143.5(2)** Any nondelinquent runaway from another state found in Iowa shall be held only in a nonrestrictive shelter facility until returned to the state of legal residence.

**143.5(3)** Any nondelinquent runaway from another state found in Iowa may be held in a nonrestrictive shelter facility beyond 48 hours on issuance of a court order to permit arrangements for return to the home state or to permit the demanding state opportunity for issuance of a requisition under Interstate Commission for Juveniles Rule 6-103 as amended to August 1, 2026.

**143.5(4)** Any runaway from another state who is charged with a felony under Iowa Code chapter 232 may either be held in a secure setting until returned to the state of legal residence or be adjudicated delinquent under Iowa Code chapter 232, placed on probation, and returned to the state of legal residence under article I of the compact.

**143.5(5)** Any adjudicated delinquent who has escaped or absconded from another state and has been apprehended as a nondelinquent runaway in Iowa may be held in a secure setting awaiting return to the demanding state under Interstate Commission for Juveniles Rules 6-102 and 6-103, both as amended to August 1, 2026.

**143.5(6)** The department shall pay for the return to Iowa of any runaway, escapee, or absconder for whom the department has, at the time the juvenile left the state, legal custody or guardianship responsibility. The responsibility for the payment for the return of a runaway, escapee, or absconder not under custody or guardianship of the department shall be that of the juvenile court having legal jurisdiction of the juvenile.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 232.173.