

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT[761]

Notice of Intended Action

Proposing rulemaking related to denials and sanctions for juveniles and providing an opportunity for public comment

The Transportation Department hereby proposes to amend Chapter 615, “Sanctions,” Iowa Administrative Code.

Legal Authority for Rulemaking

This rulemaking is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code sections 307.12 and 321.213B.

State or Federal Law Implemented

This rulemaking implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code sections 299.1B and 321.213B.

Purpose and Summary

The purpose of the proposed amendment is to conform with Iowa Code section 299.1B, which requires the Department to deny issuance of a driver’s license until age 18 if the Department receives notification from a school authority that the person is of compulsory age and does not meet the school attendance requirements of Iowa Code section 299.1B.

Regulatory Analysis

A Regulatory Analysis for this rulemaking was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on July 22, 2026. A public hearing was held on the following date(s):

- August 11, 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 761—Chapter 2504.

Public Comment

Any interested person may submit written comments concerning this proposed rulemaking, which must be received by the Department no later than 4:30 p.m. on October 20, 2026. Comments should be directed to:

Ryan Pell
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DOT Rules Administrator, Office of the Director
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Public Hearing

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

October 20, 2026 9:30 to 10 a.m.	Microsoft Teams link Or dial: 515.817.6093 Conference ID: 376 919 741#
October 20, 2026 2 to 2:30 p.m.	Microsoft Teams link Or dial: 515.817.6093 Conference ID: 882 160 403#

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 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. Amend rule 761—615.15(232,299,307,321) as follows:

761—615.15(232,299,307,321) Suspensions Denials and suspensions for juveniles.

615.15(1) *Suspension for juveniles adjudicated delinquent for certain offenses.*

a. No change.

b. The department may issue to a person suspended under this subrule a temporary restricted license in accordance with rule 761—615.28(321) if issuance is permitted under Iowa Code section 321.215 and the person is otherwise eligible for the license. To obtain a temporary restricted license that is valid for educational or employment purposes, the applicant must meet the requirements for issuance of a special minor's restricted license under Iowa Code section 321.194 and rule ~~761—602.26(321)~~ 761—602.9(321).

615.15(2) *~~Suspension~~ Denial or suspension for juvenile's failure to attend school.*

a. The department shall deny or suspend the driver's license of a person of compulsory age upon receipt of notification from the appropriate school authority that the person is in violation of Iowa Code section 299.1B.

b. The denial or suspension will continue until the person reaches the age of 18 or the department receives notification from the appropriate school authority that the person is no longer in violation of Iowa Code section 299.1B.

c. The department may issue to the person a minor's restricted work license pursuant to Iowa Code section 321.178 and rule ~~761—602.25(321)~~ 761—602.8(299,321) if the person is eligible for the license.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 232.52(2), 321.178, 321.213B, 299.1B, 307.12(1) "j," 321.213, 321.213A and 321.215.