

PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT[661]

Notice of Intended Action

Proposing rulemaking related to the fire service training bureau and providing an opportunity for public comment

The Public Safety Department hereby proposes to rescind Chapter 53, “Fire Service Training Bureau,” Iowa Administrative Code, and to adopt a new Chapter 53 with the same title.

Legal Authority for Rulemaking

This rulemaking is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code sections 100B.4 and 100B.10 and Executive Order 10.

State or Federal Law Implemented

This rulemaking implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code section 100B.6.

Purpose and Summary

Pursuant to Executive Order 10, the Department proposes to rescind Chapter 53 and adopt a new chapter in lieu thereof. The proposed chapter outlines the roles and responsibilities of the Fire Service Training Bureau (FSTB) within the State Fire Marshal division. This chapter also provides fees for various programs and courses.

Regulatory Analysis

A Regulatory Analysis for this rulemaking was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on August 19, 2026. A public hearing was held on the following date(s):

- September 8, 2026

No public comments were received.

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 7—Chapter 2504.

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 November 4, 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:

November 3, 2026 1 to 1:30 p.m.	First Floor Public Conference Room 125 Oran Pape State Office Building Des Moines, Iowa
November 4, 2026 10 to 10:30 a.m.	First Floor Public Conference Room 125 Oran Pape State Office Building Des Moines, Iowa

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 661—Chapter 53 and adopt the following **new** chapter in lieu thereof:

CHAPTER 53 FIRE SERVICE TRAINING BUREAU

661—53.1(100B) Fire service training bureau. There is established within the state fire marshal division a fire service training bureau with responsibility for instructing the general public and fire protection personnel throughout the state, providing service to public and private fire departments in the state, conducting research in the methods of maintaining and improving fire and other emergency services education consistent with the needs of Iowa communities, and performing any other functions assigned to the bureau by the state fire marshal in consultation with the state fire service and emergency response council.

661—53.2(100B) Programs, services, and fees.

53.2(1) Courses, conferences, and registration fees. Current course offerings, conferences, and associated registration and other fees of the fire service training bureau are available in electronic format via the fire service training bureau website. Current fees include the following:

- a. The fee for a live fire/live fire instructor-in-charge course is \$750.
- b. The fee for annual fire school is \$50 per day.
- c. The fee for a fire investigation course is \$750.

53.2(2) Reserved.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 100B.6.