

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT[281]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 256.7(5), the State Board of Education hereby amends Chapter 44, "School Buses," Iowa Administrative Code.

This chapter provides the rules concerning school bus regulation in Iowa. Approximately every five years, there is a comprehensive review of these rules and subsequent update to reflect best current practice. The major change in this update concerns combining into one rule elements that are currently in two separate rules. The bus chassis used to be bid out separately from the remainder of the bus, so rules were split for both areas of the bus. Now, the common practice is for bus bids to be done comprehensively, and these rules reflect that comprehensive change by incorporating the content of rule 281—44.4(285), which pertains to school bus bodies, into rule 281—44.3(285), which pertains to chassis. Much of what is underscored in rule 281—44.3(285) is content from rescinded rule 281—44.4(285) to reflect that change.

An agencywide waiver provision is provided in 281—Chapter 4.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the April 2, 2014, Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 1409C**. Public comments were allowed until 4:30 p.m. on April 22, 2014. A public hearing was held on that date. No one attended the public hearing. No written comments were received regarding these amendments. These amendments are identical to those published under Notice.

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

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 285.

These amendments shall become effective on July 16, 2014.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Pursuant to recommendation of the Administrative Rules Review Committee published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin, September 10, 1986, the text of these amendments [amendments to Ch 44] is being omitted. These amendments are identical to those published under Notice as **ARC 1409C**, IAB 4/2/14.

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