PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT[641]

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"b."

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 135.72, the Department of Public Health hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 203, "Standards for Certificate of Need Review," Iowa Administrative Code.

Certificate of Need is a regulatory review process that requires application to the Department of Public Health for and receipt of a Certificate of Need (CON) prior to the offering or development of a new or changed institutional health service. The proposed amendments initiate the first phase of the revision of Chapter 203. The proposed amendments rescind six rules that provide standards that are now excluded from Certificate of Need review under Iowa Code section 135.64 or have not been used in several years.

These proposed amendments were approved by the State Health Facilities Council on August 4, 2015. Any interested person may make written comments or suggestions on the proposed amendments on or before October 20, 2015. Such written comments should be directed to Kala Shipley, Certificate of Need Program Manager, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. E-mail may be sent to kala.shipley@idph.iowa.gov.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found. These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 135.61 to 135.83. The following amendments are proposed.

- ITEM 1. Rescind and reserve rule **641—203.1(135)**.
- ITEM 2. Rescind and reserve rules **641—203.6(135)** and **641—203.7(135)**.
- ITEM 3. Rescind and reserve rules 641—203.9(135), 641—203.10(135) and 641—203.11(135).