

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT[761]

Regulatory Analysis

Notice of Intended Action to be published: rule 761—615.15(232,299,307,321)
“Denials and Suspensions for Juveniles”

Iowa Code section(s) or chapter(s) authorizing rulemaking: 307.12(1)“j” and 321.213B
State or federal law(s) implemented by the rulemaking: Iowa Code sections 299.1B and 321.213B

Public Hearing

A public hearing at which persons may present their views orally or in writing will be held as follows:

August 11, 2026
9 to 9:30 a.m.

[Microsoft Teams](#)
Or dial: 515.817.6093
Conference ID: 971 908 8#

Public Comment

Any interested person may submit written comments concerning this Regulatory Analysis, which must be received by the Department of Transportation no later than 4:30 p.m. on the date of the public hearing. Comments should be directed to:

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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 a person reaches the age of 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.

Analysis of Impact

1. Persons affected by the proposed rulemaking:

• Classes of persons that will bear the costs of the proposed rulemaking:

There are no costs or fees associated with this proposed amendment. Driver’s license suspensions for violation of school attendance requirements are already possible through the Department’s existing information technology (IT) system, but the ability to deny the license will now be built into the Department’s new IT system.

• Classes of persons that will benefit from the proposed rulemaking:

Persons subject to a driver’s license denial under this rulemaking will benefit from having the rulemaking align with the requirements of statute.

2. Impact of the proposed rulemaking, economic or otherwise, including the nature and amount of all the different kinds of costs that would be incurred:

• Quantitative description of impact:

There are no significant quantitative impacts anticipated. In fiscal year 2025, the Department issued 33 driver's license suspensions upon receipt of notification from a school authority that a person of compulsory age did not meet the school attendance requirements of Iowa Code section 299.1B.

- **Qualitative description of impact:**

There are no qualitative impacts.

3. **Costs to the State:**

- **Implementation and enforcement costs borne by the agency or any other agency:**

There are no implementation or enforcement costs because of the proposed amendment.

- **Anticipated effect on State revenues:**

There are no anticipated effects on State revenues because of the proposed amendment.

4. **Comparison of the costs and benefits of the proposed rulemaking to the costs and benefits of inaction:**

There is no benefit of inaction. Iowa Code section 299.1B requires the Department to deny issuance of a driver's license until a person reaches the age of 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.

5. **Determination whether less costly methods or less intrusive methods exist for achieving the purpose of the proposed rulemaking:**

There are no less costly or less intrusive methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed amendment.

6. **Alternative methods considered by the agency:**

- **Description of any alternative methods that were seriously considered by the agency:**

The Department did not consider alternatives for the proposed rulemaking.

- **Reasons why alternative methods were rejected in favor of the proposed rulemaking:**

Not applicable.

Small Business Impact

If the rulemaking will have a substantial impact on small business, include a discussion of whether it would be feasible and practicable to do any of the following to reduce the impact of the rulemaking on small business:

- Establish less stringent compliance or reporting requirements in the rulemaking for small business.

- Establish less stringent schedules or deadlines in the rulemaking for compliance or reporting requirements for small business.

- Consolidate or simplify the rulemaking's compliance or reporting requirements for small business.

- Establish performance standards to replace design or operational standards in the rulemaking for small business.

- Exempt small business from any or all requirements of the rulemaking.

If legal and feasible, how does the rulemaking use a method discussed above to reduce the substantial impact on small business?

There is no impact on small business because of the proposed amendment.

Text of Proposed Rulemaking

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.