Regulatory Analysis

Notice of Intended Action to be published: 283—Chapter 1
"Organization and Operation"

Iowa Code section(s) or chapter(s) authorizing rulemaking: 256.178
State or federal law(s) implemented by the rulemaking: Iowa Code section 256.178

Public Hearing

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

September 9, 2025 4 p.m.	Room B50 Grimes State Office Building Des Moines, Iowa

Public Comment

Any interested person may submit written comments concerning this Regulatory Analysis, which must be received by the College Student Aid Commission 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 Commission proposes to rescind and adopt a new Chapter 1 pursuant to Executive Order 10. New Chapter 1 is proposed to ensure the Commission illustrates the organizational structure for the Commission as a bureau within the Iowa Department of Education and illustrates specific provisions related to the Commission Board.

Analysis of Impact

1. **Persons affected by the proposed rulemaking:**

- **Classes of persons that will bear the costs of the proposed rulemaking:**

In general, the proposed rulemaking does not impose requirements that would add an administrative burden beyond the provisions already established in law.

- **Classes of persons that will benefit from the proposed rulemaking:**

The public and the Commission will benefit from the rulemaking since it clarifies the organizational structure of the Commission and certain operations of the Commission Board.

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:**

The rulemaking does not impose measurable costs beyond those imposed by law.

- **Qualitative description of impact:**

The rulemaking illustrates provisions to the public that may not otherwise be available.

3. **Costs to the State:**

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

The agency would incur minimal costs to implement and enforce the chapter.

- **Anticipated effect on State revenues:**

The proposed rulemaking is not anticipated to have any effect on State revenues beyond that of the legislation it is intended to implement.

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

The benefit of the proposed rulemaking is to publicly illustrate the structure of the Commission and certain operations of the Commission Board. The cost of inaction would be confusion regarding the structure of the Commission and certain practices of the Commission Board.

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

The rulemaking proposes an efficient administrative method of providing the identified information to the public.

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

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

No other methods were seriously considered by the Commission since the method proposed is a cost-efficient and seamless way to provide the information.

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

Alternative methods were rejected because the method used is a streamlined approach to illustrating the necessary information.

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?

The proposed rulemaking is not expected to impact small business.

Text of Proposed Rulemaking

ITEM 1. Rescind 283—Chapter 1 and adopt the following **new** chapter in lieu thereof:

CHAPTER 1
ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION

283—1.1(256) Purpose. This chapter describes the organization, operation, and location of the college student aid commission (hereinafter generally referred to as the commission).

283—1.2(261) Organization and operations.

1.2(1) *Location.* The location and mailing address of the commission are posted on the Iowa department of education website (educateiowa.gov).

1.2(2) *The commission board.* The commission board's membership is governed by Iowa Code section 256.176.

1.2(3) *Commission board meetings.*

a. A quorum is governed by Iowa Code section 17A.2(1).

b. A specific time is set aside at each meeting for the public to address the commission board. As a general guideline, a limit of five minutes will be allocated for each of these presentations. If a large group seeks to address a specific issue, the chairperson may limit the number of speakers. Members of the public who wish to address the commission board during this portion of the meeting are required to notify the commission's administrative secretary prior to the meeting. The person's name and the subject of the person's remarks must be provided. To accommodate maximum public participation, members of the public are encouraged to submit requests at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting.

1.2(4) *Commission.* The commission is established by Iowa Code section 256.176 to perform the function and duties set forth in Iowa Code chapter 256, subchapter VII, part 4; Iowa Code chapter 261B; other Iowa Code provisions; and the Iowa Administrative Code. The commission exists as a bureau within the organizational structure of the Iowa department of education.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 256.