Regulatory Analysis

Notice of Intended Action to be published: 761—Chapter 921
"State Transit Assistance"

Iowa Code section(s) or chapter(s) authorizing rulemaking: 324A
State or federal law(s) implemented by the rulemaking: Iowa Code chapter 324A

Public Hearing

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

October 22, 2025 9 to 9:30 a.m.	Microsoft Teams Or dial: 515.817.6093 Conference ID: 197 108 51#

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 Department proposes to rescind Chapter 921 and move essential content from the chapter to 761—Chapter 920. 761—Chapter 920 already addresses State transit assistance funds, so the portions of Chapter 921 explaining the process that a public transit agency must use to receive advanced allocations of monthly State transit assistance funding can more logically be placed within 761—Chapter 920. All content related to State transit assistance funds would then be combined.

Analysis of Impact

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

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

The recission of this chapter does not impose any costs.

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

Iowa's public transit agencies will still be able to ascertain the necessary information regarding State transit assistance by referring to 761—Chapter 920.

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:**

Rescinding this chapter does not have a quantitative impact.

- **Qualitative description of impact:**

Rescinding this chapter does not have a qualitative impact.

3. **Costs to the State:**

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

There are no costs to the Department or other agencies due to rescinding this chapter.

- **Anticipated effect on State revenues:**

There is no anticipated effect on State revenues.

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

There are no costs due to rescinding the chapter. The benefits include the reduction of one chapter and all essential elements of this chapter will be repromulgated with 761—Chapter 920, continuing advanced allocation of State transit assistance. If no action were taken, the rules of Chapter 921 would remain the same and advanced allocations of State transit assistance would continue.

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

No less costly methods exist to achieve the purpose of rescinding the chapter.

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

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

The alternative to repromulgating Chapter 921 is to rescind the chapter and combine its essential content with 761—Chapter 920, which already addresses State transit assistance funds.

- **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 due to rescinding the chapter.

Text of Proposed Rulemaking

ITEM 1. Rescind and reserve **761—Chapter 921**.