

**701—71.17 (441) Special session of boards of review.**

**71.17(1) *Grounds for protest.*** The only ground for protesting to the local board of review reconvened in special session pursuant to Iowa Code section 441.49 is that the application of the department's final equalization order results in a value greater than that permitted under Iowa Code section 441.21.

**71.17(2) *Authority of board of review.*** When in special session to hear protests resulting from equalization adjustments, the local board of review shall only act upon protests for those properties for which valuations have been increased as a result of the application of the department of revenue's final equalization order.

The local board of review may adjust valuations of those properties it deems warranted, but under no circumstance shall the adjustment result in a value less than that which existed prior to the application of the department's equalization order. The local board of review shall not adjust the valuation of properties for which no protests have been filed.

**71.17(3) *Report of board of review.*** In the report to the department of revenue of action taken by the local board of review in special session, the board of review shall report the aggregate valuation adjustments by class of property as well as all other information required by the department of revenue to determine if such actions may have substantially altered the equalization order.

**71.17(4) *Meetings of board of review.*** If the final equalization order does not increase the valuation of any class of property, the board of review is not required to meet during the special session. If the final equalization order increases the valuation of one or more classes of property but no protests are filed by the times specified in Iowa Code section 441.49, the board of review is not required to meet during the special session.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 421.17(10) and 441.49.