

INSPECTIONS AND APPEALS DEPARTMENT[481]

Notice of Intended Action

Proposing rulemaking related to Bingo and providing an opportunity for public comment

The Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing hereby proposes to amend subrule 103.3(9), Iowa Administrative Code.

Legal Authority for Rulemaking

This rulemaking is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code section 99B.2.

State or Federal Law Implemented

This rulemaking implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code section 99B.2 and Executive Order 10.

Purpose and Summary

This proposed rulemaking rescinds a subrule that is overly restrictive.

Fiscal Impact

This rulemaking has no fiscal impact to the state of Iowa.

Jobs Impact

After analysis and review of this rulemaking, no impact on jobs has been found.

Waivers

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rulemaking would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Department for a waiver of the discretionary provisions.

Public Comment

Any interested person may submit comments concerning this proposed rulemaking.

Written comments in response to this rulemaking must be received by the Department no later than

4:30 p.m. on March 13, 2025. Comments should be directed to:

Amy Oetken
Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing
6200 Park Avenue, Suite 100
Des Moines, Iowa 50321
Email: amy.oetken@dia.iowa.gov

Public Hearing

Public hearings at which persons may present their views orally or in writing will be held

as follows:

Date March 24, 2026
Time 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Ledges Conference Room
6200 Park Avenue, Suite 100
Des Moines, Iowa

Date March 24, 2026
Time 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Geode Conference Room
6200 Park Avenue, Suite 100
Des Moines, Iowa

Virtual participation information will be made available on the Department's website prior to the public hearings.

Persons who wish to make oral comments at the public hearing may be asked to state their names for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of this proposed rulemaking.

Any persons who intend to attend the hearing and have special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact the Department and advise of specific needs.

Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rulemaking by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rulemaking at its regular monthly meeting or at a special meeting. The Committee's meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

Emergency Rulemaking Adopted by Reference

This proposed rulemaking is also published herein as an Adopted and Filed Emergency rulemaking. The purpose of this Notice of Intended Action is to solicit public comment on that emergency rulemaking, whose subject matter is hereby adopted by reference.

ITEM 1. Amend rule 481—103.9(99B) as follows:

481—103.9(99B) Location. Bingo occasions may be conducted on premises as provided in Iowa Code section 99B.13 and shall meet the following criteria:

1. All buildings in which bingo occasions are conducted will meet state or local standards for occupancy and safety.
2. The name of the licensee will be posted on the sign of each building or location where bingo occasions are held. A name that is closely associated with the licensee and clearly identifies the lawful uses of the proceeds may also be used. Generic names, such as “Nelson Street Bingo” or “Uncle Bob’s Bingo,” will not be used.
3. ~~During a bingo occasion, the lessor will not sell any beverage, food, or other merchandise in the room in which bingo is played.~~
4. ~~Only one licensed qualified organization may conduct bingo occasions within the same structure or building.~~

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Emergency Rule-Making Document Filed by Agency