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House File 2601

H-8248

1 Amend House File 2601 as follows:

2 1. Page 3, after line 17 by inserting:

3 <Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 68A.502, subsection 3, Code 2026, is  
4 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

5 NEW PARAGRAPH. *d.* A contribution made to a candidate  
6 or candidate's committee by a person who is not an eligible  
7 elector, as defined in section 39.3, that is a resident of  
8 the state, district, county, township, city, ward, or other  
9 political subdivision that is represented by the office sought  
10 by the candidate, as reflected in the statement of organization  
11 filed pursuant to section 68A.201.>

12 2. Title page, line 2, after <nationals> by inserting <,  
13 illegal campaign contributions,>

14 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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SRINIVAS of Polk

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Senate File 572

H-8249

1 Amend Senate File 572, as amended, passed, and reprinted by  
2 the Senate, as follows:

3 1. Page 2, after line 28 by inserting:

4 <Sec. \_\_\_\_ . NEW SECTION. **189B.1 Slaughter establishments**  
5 **— prohibitions on licensure.**

6 1. For purposes of this chapter:

7 a. "*Department*" means the department of agriculture and land  
8 stewardship.

9 b. "*Federal Acts*" means the Federal Meat Inspection Act  
10 approved March 4, 1907, 34 Stat. 1260, as amended by the  
11 Wholesome Meat Act, 81 Stat. 584, and the Federal Poultry  
12 Products Inspection Act approved August 28, 1957, 71 Stat. 441,  
13 as amended by the Wholesome Poultry Products Act, 82 Stat. 791.

14 c. "*Slaughter establishment*" means a person engaged in the  
15 business of slaughtering live animals or receiving or buying  
16 live animals for slaughter and who is subject to inspection by  
17 the United States department of agriculture under either of the  
18 federal Acts, or by the department.

19 2. The department shall not issue a license for a person to  
20 establish, conduct, or maintain a slaughter establishment in  
21 this state without a license issued under chapter 189A.

22 3. A license shall not be issued or renewed under chapter  
23 189A for an instrumentality of the government of the People's  
24 Republic of China, an individual who is a citizen of the  
25 People's Republic of China, or a business entity in which  
26 a majority interest is owned directly or indirectly by an  
27 instrumentality of the government of the People's Republic  
28 of China, or an individual who is a citizen of the People's  
29 Republic of China.

30 4. A license shall not be issued or renewed under chapter  
31 189A for an instrumentality of the government of the Russian  
32 Federation, an individual who is a citizen of the Russian  
33 Federation, or a business entity in which a majority interest  
34 is owned directly or indirectly by an instrumentality of the  
35 government of the Russian Federation, or an individual who is a

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1 citizen of the Russian Federation.

2 5. A license shall not be issued or renewed under chapter  
3 189A for an instrumentality of the government of the Democratic  
4 People's Republic of Korea, an individual who is a citizen of  
5 the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, or a business entity  
6 in which a majority interest is owned directly or indirectly by  
7 an instrumentality of the government of the Democratic People's  
8 Republic of Korea, or an individual who is a citizen of the  
9 Democratic People's Republic of Korea.>

10 2. Title page, by striking line 4 and inserting <or maintain  
11 a hospital, health facility, or slaughter establishment.>

12 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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SCHOLTEN of Woodbury

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House File 2230

H-8250

1 Amend House File 2230 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 2, by striking <paragraphs> and inserting  
3 <paragraph>

4 2. By striking page 2, line 2, through page 3, line 19.

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Senate File 572

H-8251

1 Amend Senate File 572, as amended, passed, and reprinted by  
2 the Senate, as follows:

3 1. Page 1, after line 30 by inserting:

4 <Sec. \_\_\_\_ . NEW SECTION. 135B.41 Hospital change of  
5 ownership — prohibitions.

6 The department shall not approve the change of ownership of  
7 a previously licensed hospital if the person seeking to obtain  
8 ownership of the hospital is any of the following:

9 1. A private equity fund as defined in 12 U.S.C.  
10 §1851(h)(2), as amended.

11 2. Majority owned by a private equity fund.

12 3. An affiliate of a private equity fund.

13 4. A real estate investment trust as defined in 26 U.S.C.  
14 §856(a), as amended.

15 5. Majority owned by a real estate investment trust.

16 6. An affiliate of a real estate investment trust.>

17 2. Page 2, after line 28 by inserting:

18 <Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 135C.7A, Code 2026, is amended by adding  
19 the following new subsection:

20 NEW SUBSECTION. 6A. The department shall not approve the  
21 change of ownership of a previously licensed nursing facility  
22 if the person seeking to obtain ownership of the nursing  
23 facility is any of the following:

24 a. A private equity fund as defined in 12 U.S.C.  
25 §1851(h)(2), as amended.

26 b. Majority owned by a private equity fund.

27 c. An affiliate of a private equity fund.

28 d. A real estate investment trust as defined in 26 U.S.C.  
29 §856(a), as amended.

30 e. Majority owned by a real estate investment trust.

31 f. An affiliate of a real estate investment trust.>

32 3. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 4 and inserting  
33 <An Act relating to the ownership of hospitals, health care  
34 facilities, and nursing facilities.>

35 4. By renumbering as necessary.

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TUREK of Pottawattamie

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House File 2741 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 2741  
BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2353)  
(SUCCESSOR TO HF 971)  
(SUCCESSOR TO HF 581)  
(SUCCESSOR TO HF 130)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act establishing a scenic byways enhancement fund, including  
2 by providing for voluntary contributions to the fund, making  
3 appropriations, and including effective date provisions.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 307.50 Scenic byways enhancement  
2 fund.

3 1. A scenic byways enhancement fund is created in the  
4 state treasury under the control of the department. The fund  
5 shall consist of moneys transferred to the fund pursuant  
6 to section 321.44B and any other moneys appropriated to or  
7 deposited in the fund. Moneys in the fund are appropriated to  
8 the department for the support, development, maintenance, and  
9 enhancement, including but not limited to litter prevention, of  
10 the scenic byways of this state.

11 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys in the fund  
12 that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of a  
13 fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for  
14 expenditure for the purposes designated. Notwithstanding  
15 section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or earnings on moneys in  
16 the fund shall be credited to the fund.

17 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 321.44B Voluntary contribution —  
18 scenic byways enhancement fund — amount retained by county  
19 treasurer.

20 For each application for vehicle registration renewal,  
21 the county treasurer or the department shall request through  
22 use of a written form, and, if the application is made in  
23 person, through verbal communication, that an applicant make a  
24 voluntary contribution of one dollar or more, computed to the  
25 nearest whole dollar, to the scenic byways enhancement fund  
26 established in section 307.50. One hundred percent of the  
27 moneys collected by the county and one hundred percent of the  
28 moneys collected by the department in the form of contributions  
29 shall be remitted to the treasurer of state for deposit in the  
30 scenic byways enhancement fund to be used for the purposes  
31 specified for the fund. However, up to five percent of the  
32 moneys collected by the county may be retained by the county  
33 treasurer for deposit in the general fund of the county.  
34 The department shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A to  
35 administer this section.

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1 Sec. 3. Section 331.557, subsection 1, Code 2025, is amended  
2 to read as follows:

3 1. Issue, renew, and replace lost or damaged vehicle  
4 registration cards or plates and issue and transfer  
5 certificates of title for vehicles, and collect voluntary  
6 contributions, as provided in [sections 321.17 through 321.20B](#),  
7 [321.22 through 321.26](#), [321.28 through 321.32](#), [321.34](#), [321.35](#),  
8 and [321.37 through 321.52](#).

9 Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect January 1,  
10 2026.

11 EXPLANATION

12 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
13 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

14 This bill creates a scenic byways enhancement fund  
15 and appropriates moneys in the fund to the department of  
16 transportation (DOT) for the support, development, maintenance,  
17 and enhancement, including litter prevention, of scenic byways.  
18 For each application to renew the registration of a vehicle,  
19 the county treasurer or the DOT is required to request that an  
20 applicant make a voluntary contribution of \$1 or more, computed  
21 to the nearest whole dollar, to the scenic byways enhancement  
22 fund. Up to 5 percent of the moneys collected by the county may  
23 be retained by the county treasurer for deposit in the general  
24 fund of the county.

25 The bill takes effect January 1, 2026.

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**House File 2742 - Introduced**

HOUSE FILE 2742  
BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 655)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to reports on major maintenance projects for  
2 state infrastructure.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. **8.94 Major maintenance projects**  
2 **— report.**

3 On or before January 1, 2027, and each July 1 and January  
4 1 thereafter, the department shall submit a report to the  
5 general assembly containing a list of future major maintenance  
6 projects for state information technology infrastructure  
7 of the department and supported entities that will require  
8 appropriations by the general assembly. The report must  
9 contain all of the following information for each project, as  
10 well as a running total requested amount for all projects on  
11 the list:

- 12 1. The project request title.
- 13 2. A priority category consisting of one of the following:
  - 14 a. Life, health, or safety risk.
  - 15 b. Damaged.
  - 16 c. Compliance with the federal Americans with Disabilities  
17 Act.
  - 18 d. Scheduled maintenance.
  - 19 e. Efficiency.
  - 20 f. Decommission.
- 21 3. The estimated immediacy of the project.
- 22 4. The supported entity in control of the information  
23 technology infrastructure. The report may list the department  
24 if the department is in control of the information technology  
25 infrastructure.
- 26 5. The amount of the funding request and any comments or  
27 funding notes relevant to the project.

28 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. **8A.331 Major maintenance projects —**  
29 **report.**

30 On or before January 1, 2027, and each July 1 and January  
31 1 thereafter, the department shall submit a report to the  
32 general assembly containing a list of future major maintenance  
33 projects for state buildings and facilities that will require  
34 appropriations by the general assembly, excluding buildings and  
35 facilities under the control of the state board of regents,

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1 state department of transportation, department of natural  
2 resources, and department of public defense. The report must  
3 contain all of the following information for each project, as  
4 well as a running total requested amount for all projects on  
5 the list:

- 6 1. The project request title.
- 7 2. A priority category consisting of one of the following:
  - 8 a. Life, health, or safety risk.
  - 9 b. Damaged.
  - 10 c. Compliance with the federal Americans with Disabilities  
11 Act.
  - 12 d. Scheduled maintenance.
  - 13 e. Efficiency.
  - 14 f. Demolition.
- 15 3. The estimated immediacy of the project.
- 16 4. The state agency in control of the building or facility.
- 17 5. The amount of the funding request and any comments or  
18 funding notes relevant to the project.

19 Sec. 3. Section 262.9, Code 2025, is amended by adding the  
20 following new subsection:

21 NEW SUBSECTION. 43. On or before January 1, 2027, and  
22 each July 1 and January 1 thereafter, the board shall submit  
23 a report to the general assembly containing a list of future  
24 major maintenance projects for state buildings, facilities,  
25 and information technology infrastructure of the board  
26 and institutions governed by the board that will require  
27 appropriations by the general assembly. The report must  
28 contain all of the following information for each project, as  
29 well as a running total requested amount for all projects on  
30 the list:

- 31 a. The project request title.
- 32 b. A priority category consisting of one of the following:
  - 33 (1) Life, health, or safety risk.
  - 34 (2) Damaged.
  - 35 (3) Compliance with the federal Americans with Disabilities

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1 Act.

2 (4) Scheduled maintenance.

3 (5) Efficiency.

4 (6) Demolition or decommission.

5 c. The estimated immediacy of the project.

6 d. The institution at which the building, facility, or  
7 information technology infrastructure is located. The report  
8 may list the board if the building, facility, or information  
9 technology infrastructure is not located at an institution.

10 e. The amount of the funding request and any comments or  
11 funding notes relevant to the project.

12 EXPLANATION

13 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
14 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

15 Under current law, the department of administrative services  
16 (DAS) is appropriated moneys from the routine maintenance  
17 fund (funded by the rebuild Iowa infrastructure fund) for  
18 purposes of routine maintenance projects for state buildings  
19 and facilities, excluding buildings and facilities under  
20 the control of the state board of regents, department of  
21 transportation, department of natural resources, and department  
22 of public defense. Under current practice, DAS submits to  
23 the joint appropriations subcommittee on transportation,  
24 infrastructure, and capitals a list of future major maintenance  
25 projects for those state buildings and facilities that will  
26 require appropriations by the general assembly. This bill  
27 codifies that requirement in the form of a biannual report from  
28 DAS to the general assembly.

29 In addition, the bill requires a similar report to the  
30 general assembly from the department of management (DOM)  
31 for state information technology infrastructure of DOM or  
32 supported entities, and from the state board of regents  
33 for state buildings, facilities, and information technology  
34 infrastructure of the board and its institutions.

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House File 2743 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 2743  
BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2468)

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 619)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act creating the Iowa rural health transformation fund and  
2 making appropriations.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 135.107A Iowa rural health  
2 transformation fund.

3 1. An Iowa rural health transformation fund is created  
4 in the state treasury under the control of the department of  
5 health and human services. The fund shall be separate from  
6 the general fund of the state and the balance in the fund  
7 shall not be considered part of the balance of the general  
8 fund of the state. The fund shall consist of moneys received  
9 by the state from the rural health transformation program  
10 established pursuant to the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, Pub.  
11 L. No. 119-211. Moneys in the fund are to be appropriated to  
12 the department to be used, expended, granted, or transferred as  
13 authorized by the centers for Medicare and Medicaid services  
14 of the United States department of health and human services,  
15 and are not subject to section 8.33. Notwithstanding section  
16 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or earnings on moneys in the fund  
17 shall be credited to the fund.

18 2. For so long as moneys are expended from the fund, the  
19 department shall submit a report each fiscal quarter to the  
20 general assembly detailing all expenditures made during the  
21 preceding fiscal quarter, including identifying by city where  
22 within the state moneys have been expended.

23 3. The department shall transmit a copy to the general  
24 assembly of all rural health transformation program financial  
25 and performance reports submitted to the centers for Medicare  
26 and Medicaid services of the United States department of health  
27 and human services pursuant to the One Big Beautiful Bill Act,  
28 Pub. L. No. 119-211.

29 4. This section is repealed October 1, 2032.

30 EXPLANATION

31 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
32 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

33 This bill creates the Iowa rural health transformation fund  
34 (fund) under the control of the department of health and human  
35 services (HHS) consisting of moneys received from the federal

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1 rural health transformation program (RHTP). The moneys in the  
2 fund are appropriated to HHS for use in accordance with the  
3 requirements set forth for the program in the One Big Beautiful  
4 Bill Act (OBBBA). Moneys appropriated to the fund are not  
5 subject to reversion and any interest or earnings on moneys in  
6 the fund are to be credited to the fund.

7 For so long as moneys are expended from the fund, HHS is  
8 required to report to the general assembly every fiscal quarter  
9 expenditures from the fund for the preceding fiscal quarter,  
10 including identifying by city where within the state moneys  
11 have been expended. HHS shall transmit a copy of all financial  
12 and performance reports submitted to the center for Medicare  
13 and Medicaid services of the United States department of health  
14 and human services for RHTP pursuant to OBBBA.

15 The bill is repealed October 1, 2032.

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House File 2744 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 2744  
BY ADMINISTRATIVE RULES REVIEW  
COMMITTEE

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 760)

(COMPANION TO SF 2463 BY  
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES REVIEW  
COMMITTEE)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act concerning administrative rules relating to the uniform  
2 rules on agency procedure and including effective date  
3 provisions.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 17A.6, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code  
2 2026, is amended to read as follows:

3 b. "*Publication*" does not include the Iowa Code, Iowa Acts,  
4 Iowa administrative code, or Iowa court rules, ~~or uniform rules~~  
5 ~~on agency procedure.~~

6 Sec. 2. RESCISSION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES — ONGOING  
7 APPLICABILITY.

8 1. The following Iowa administrative rules relating to  
9 subjects addressed by uniform rules on agency procedure adopted  
10 by the administrative rules coordinator pursuant to section  
11 17A.24 are rescinded as of July 1, 2026:

- 12 a. 11 IAC chs. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9.
- 13 b. 11 IAC 117.20.
- 14 c. 21 IAC chs. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8.
- 15 d. 27 IAC chs. 3, 4, 5, and 8.
- 16 e. 61 IAC chs. 2, 11, and 12.
- 17 f. 61 IAC 10.2.
- 18 g. 81 IAC chs. 24 and 27.
- 19 h. 81 IAC 25.10.
- 20 i. 101 IAC ch. 5.
- 21 j. 101 IAC 2.1, 2.3, and 2.4.
- 22 k. 111 IAC chs. 3, 4, 5, 12, and 13.
- 23 l. 129 IAC chs. 6 and 11.
- 24 m. 161 IAC chs. 4 and 11.
- 25 n. 161 IAC 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, and 15.3.
- 26 o. 181 IAC 1.8, 1.9, 1.10, 1.11, and 1.12.
- 27 p. 187 IAC chs. 5, 6, 7, 11, and 12.
- 28 q. 189 IAC chs. 4, 20, 21, 22, 23, and 25.
- 29 r. 191 IAC chs. 2, 3, and 4.
- 30 s. 193 IAC chs. 3 and 7.
- 31 t. 193E IAC 1.4.
- 32 u. 193F IAC 1.6 and 1.7.
- 33 v. 199 IAC chs. 3, 4, and 5.
- 34 w. 199 IAC 1.3 and 1.7.
- 35 x. 201 IAC chs. 5, 7, 10, 11, and 12.

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- 1 y. 205 IAC chs. 2, 3, 4, 5, and 15.  
2 z. 205 IAC 6.3.  
3 aa. 261 IAC chs. 195, 196, 197, 198, and 199.  
4 ab. 263 IAC chs. 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.  
5 ac. 265 IAC chs. 7, 13, 16, 17, and 18.  
6 ad. 265 IAC 15.9.  
7 ae. 281 IAC chs. 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.  
8 af. 282 IAC chs. 2, 3, 5, and 6.  
9 ag. 282 IAC 11.1 and 11.7 through 11.32.  
10 ah. 283 IAC chs. 2, 3, 4, 6, and 7.  
11 ai. 284 IAC chs. 2, 3, 4, and 5.  
12 aj. 288 IAC chs. 3, 11, 12, and 13.  
13 ak. 289 IAC chs. 2, 3, 4, 5, and 8.  
14 al. 301 IAC ch. 5.  
15 am. 301 IAC 2.4 and 2.5.  
16 an. 351 IAC chs. 2, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15.  
17 ao. 371 IAC ch. 9.  
18 ap. 371 IAC 1.2(6).  
19 aq. 441 IAC chs. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9.  
20 ar. 481 IAC chs. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 366, 367, 381, 382, and  
21 435.  
22 as. 481 IAC 570.7(1), 615.6(1), 650.7(1), and 885.1(1).  
23 at. 486 IAC ch. 8.  
24 au. 491 IAC chs. 2 and 3.  
25 av. 491 IAC 1.4, 1.8, and 4.20 through 4.48.  
26 aw. 493 IAC chs. 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.  
27 ax. 495 IAC chs. 17, 19, 26, 30, 31, and 33.  
28 ay. 497 IAC chs. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9.  
29 az. 501 IAC chs. 7 and 16.  
30 ba. 501 IAC 1.11.  
31 bb. 541 IAC chs. 5, 6, 7, and 8.  
32 bc. 541 IAC 1.3.  
33 bd. 543 IAC ch. 5.  
34 be. 545 IAC chs. 5, 6, 7, and 8.  
35 bf. 547 IAC chs. 6, 7, 8, and 9.

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- 1     bg. 547 IAC 2.5 and 2.6.  
2     bh. 561 IAC chs. 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 10.  
3     bi. 567 IAC chs. 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 13.  
4     bj. 571 IAC chs. 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 11.  
5     bk. 575 IAC ch. 3.  
6     bl. 575 IAC 1.5 and 1.8.  
7     bm. 591 IAC chs. 2, 3, 4, 16, and 17.  
8     bn. 601 IAC ch. 2.  
9     bo. 605 IAC ch. 2.  
10    bp. 621 IAC chs. 2, 9, 10, and 12.  
11    bq. 621 IAC 1.5 and 1.9.  
12    br. 661 IAC chs. 10 and 80.  
13    bs. 661 IAC 401.101 through 401.314 and 600.5.  
14    bt. 681 IAC chs. 17, 18, 19, and 20.  
15    bu. 685 IAC chs. 2, 3, 4, and 15.  
16    bv. 701 IAC chs. 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7.  
17    bw. 701 IAC 115.1(3) and 115.11.  
18    bx. 721 IAC chs. 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, and 10.  
19    by. 741 IAC ch. 5.  
20    bz. 741 IAC 2.4 and 2.5.  
21    ca. 751 IAC chs. 2, 3, 4, 16, and 18.  
22    cb. 751 IAC 5.17, 5.18, and 5.19.  
23    cc. 761 IAC chs. 4, 10, 11, 12, and 13.  
24    cd. 781 IAC chs. 2, 17, 18, and 19.  
25    ce. 801 IAC chs. 2, 3, 4, 6, and 8.  
26    cf. 811 IAC chs. 2, 3, 4, 5, 14, and 16.  
27    cg. 817 IAC chs. 2, 3, 5, and 6.  
28    ch. 821 IAC 1.5, 1.6, and 1.8.  
29    ci. 871 IAC chs. 2, 3, 4, and 5.  
30    cj. 876 IAC chs. 4, 5, 7, 9, and 12.  
31    ck. 877 IAC 1.1.  
32    2. As soon as practicable after July 1, 2026, the  
33 administrative code editor shall remove the language of the  
34 Iowa administrative rules referenced in subsection 1 of this  
35 section from the Iowa administrative code.

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1 3. Administrative rules rescinded pursuant to subsection 1  
2 remain applicable to any administrative or judicial proceeding  
3 initiated before July 1, 2026, for the pendency of the action.

4 Sec. 3. EMERGENCY RULES.

5 1. An agency may adopt emergency rules under section 17A.4,  
6 subsection 3, and section 17A.5, subsection 2, paragraph "b",  
7 providing for additions, exceptions, or amendments to uniform  
8 rules on agency procedure adopted by the administrative rules  
9 coordinator pursuant to section 17A.24. The rules shall be  
10 effective immediately upon filing unless a later date is  
11 specified in the rules, but no later than June 30, 2026. Any  
12 rules adopted in accordance with this subsection shall also be  
13 published as a notice of intended action as provided in section  
14 17A.4.

15 2. An agency may only adopt emergency rules under subsection  
16 1 if the agency determines one or more of the following  
17 applies. The agency shall explain its determination in the  
18 preamble of the rulemaking document filed pursuant to section  
19 17A.4, subsection 3.

20 a. The rule is necessary to comply with a legal obligation  
21 imposed on the agency. The agency shall include in the  
22 explanation a specific citation of the source of the legal  
23 obligation and a description of how the rule is necessary to  
24 comply with the legal obligation.

25 b. The rule is otherwise determined to be necessary by the  
26 agency. The agency shall include in the explanation the reason  
27 the agency determined the rule to be necessary.

28 3. Notwithstanding section 17A.4A, a regulatory analysis  
29 shall not be required for rules adopted pursuant to subsection  
30 1.

31 4. This section shall not be construed to prohibit an agency  
32 from engaging in rulemaking pursuant to chapter 17A relating to  
33 uniform rules on agency procedure adopted pursuant to section  
34 17A.24 that is not subject to this section.

35 5. This section is repealed July 1, 2026.

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1 6. The repeal of this section pursuant to subsection 5 shall  
2 not be construed to affect the validity of rules adopted under  
3 this section before the date of repeal.

4 Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. The following, being deemed of  
5 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment:

6 The section of this Act providing for emergency rulemaking  
7 and a repeal.

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EXPLANATION

9 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
10 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

11 This bill concerns administrative rules relating to the  
12 uniform rules on agency procedure (uniform rules).

13 The bill rescinds specified administrative rules of various  
14 executive branch agencies relating to subjects addressed by  
15 uniform rules adopted by the administrative rules coordinator  
16 pursuant to Code section 17A.24. The date of rescission  
17 is July 1, 2026. The bill provides that the rescinded  
18 administrative rules remain applicable to any administrative  
19 or judicial proceeding initiated before July 1, 2026, for the  
20 pendency of the action.

21 Uniform rules adopted by the administrative rules  
22 coordinator pursuant to Code section 17A.24 became effective  
23 January 13, 2026 (7 IAC chs. 2500-2506). Subjects addressed  
24 by the uniform rules are agency procedures for rulemaking,  
25 petitions for rulemaking, waiver of rules, declaratory orders,  
26 contested cases, and fair information practices.

27 The bill authorizes an agency to adopt emergency rules  
28 providing for additions, exceptions, or amendments to uniform  
29 rules adopted by the administrative rules coordinator. The  
30 rules shall be effective immediately upon filing unless a  
31 later date is specified, but no later than June 30, 2026. The  
32 bill specifies that an agency may only adopt such emergency  
33 rules if the agency determines a rule is necessary to comply  
34 with a legal obligation imposed on the agency or is otherwise  
35 determined to be necessary by the agency. The agency must

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1 explain its determination in the preamble of the rulemaking  
2 document. The bill provides that a regulatory analysis shall  
3 not be required for such rules. This provision is repealed  
4 July 1, 2026. The repeal shall not be construed to affect the  
5 validity of rules adopted under the provision before the date  
6 of repeal. The provision takes effect upon enactment.

7 The bill includes a conforming change relating to the  
8 adoption of uniform rules by the administrative rules  
9 coordinator.