

Red Tape Review Rule Report (Due: September 1, 2025)

Department Name:	Health and Human Services	Date:	7/14/2025	Total Rule Count:	19
IAC #:	641	Chapter/ SubChapter/ Rule(s):	99	Iowa Code Section Authorizing Rule:	144
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What is the intended benefit of the rule?

The intended benefit is to describe the administration process for vital records modifications including birth, death and marriage records.

Is the benefit being achieved? Please provide evidence.

Yes, Vital Statistics registers approximately 100,000 events and issues about 85,000 certified copies annually. The Department annually publishes Vital Statistics in Iowa, Vital Statistics in Brief, and the Iowa Health Indicator Tracking System at <https://hhs.iowa.gov/data-reports/health-statistics>.

What are the costs incurred by the public to comply with the rule?

The public may incur fees pursuant to 641—95.6, typically ranging from \$5-\$35 per provided service.

What are the costs to the agency or any other agency to implement/enforce the rule?

The Department incurs personnel and other administrative costs to implement the rules.

Do the costs justify the benefits achieved? Please explain.

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Are there less restrictive alternatives to accomplish the benefit? ☐ YES ☒ NO

If YES, please list alternative(s) and provide analysis of less restrictive alternatives from other states, if applicable. If NO, please explain.

Rulemaking is required by Iowa Code chapters 144, 252A, 600 and 674.

Does this chapter/rule(s) contain language that is obsolete, outdated, inconsistent, redundant, or unnecessary language, including instances where rule language is duplicative of statutory language? [list chapter/rule number(s) that fall under any of the above categories]

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The Department removed restrictive terms, redundant language, and updated language to match current procedure throughout the chapter.

RULES PROPOSED FOR REPEAL (list rule number[s]):

99.20 Repealed and reserved due to legislation.

RULES PROPOSED FOR RE-PROMULGATION (list rule number[s] or include rule text if available):

99.1-99.19

****For rules being re-promulgated with changes, you may attach a document with suggested changes.***

METRICS

Total number of rules repealed:	1
Proposed word count reduction after repeal and/or re-promulgation	703
Proposed number of restrictive terms eliminated after repeal and/or re-promulgation	83

ARE THERE ANY STATUTORY CHANGES YOU WOULD RECOMMEND INCLUDING CODIFYING ANY RULES?

No.