

Red Tape Review Rule Report (Due: September 1, 2026)

Department Name:	Health & Human Services	Date:	6/24/26	Total Rule Count:	20
IAC #:	441	Chapter/ SubChapter/ Rule(s):	113	Iowa Code Section Authorizing Rule:	237
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What is the intended benefit of the rule?

This chapter specifically relates to the licensing and regulation of foster family homes.

Is the benefit being achieved? Please provide evidence.

The most recent data for FY2026 shows there were a total of 1,643 children in foster care, down from 2,062 for FY2025.

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

There are no costs incurred by the public to comply with this rule.

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

There are no other implementation or enforcement costs aside from personnel expenses.

Do the costs justify the benefits achieved? Please explain.

The creation of licensing procedures and the regulation of foster family homes is required by Iowa Code chapter 237, and allowed by Iowa Code chapter 17A.

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.

The creation of licensing procedures and the regulation of foster family homes is required by Iowa Code chapter 237, and allowed by Iowa Code chapter 17A.

Does this chapter/rule(s) contain language that is obsolete, outdated, inconsistent, redundant, or unnecessary language, including instances where rule language is duplicative of statutory language?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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N/A

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

113.20

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

113.1 through 113.19

****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Total number of rules repealed:	1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	1,759
Proposed number of restrictive terms eliminated after repeal and/or re-promulgation	21

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

No.