

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

Department Name:	Health and Human Services	Date:	9/1/2026	Total Rule Count:	13
IAC #:	441	Chapter/ SubChapter/ Rule(s):	103	Iowa Code Section Authorizing Rule:	218.4
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What is the intended benefit of the rule?

To set a framework for the State Training School (STS), which provides a continuum of supervision and rehabilitation programs, that meet the needs of males adjudicated delinquent, in a manner consistent with public safety. These services and programs individualize treatment and control the offender for his own benefit and the protection of society.

Is the benefit being achieved? Please provide evidence.

Yes. STS assists juvenile offenders develop skills necessary to function effectively and positively in the community in a manner consistent with public safety by:

- Providing a humane, secure setting;
- Providing programs within the framework of professional juvenile justice standards and best practices while using available resources effectively;
- Holding juveniles accountable for their delinquent behavior; and
- Developing efficient and effective juvenile delinquent treatment and rehabilitation.

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 chapter.

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

The SFY26 operating budget and appropriation for STS was \$19,879,528

Do the costs justify the benefits achieved? Please explain.

Yes. As of February 2026, STS served an average of 53 youth.

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 section 218.4.

Does this chapter/rule(s) contain language that is obsolete, outdated, inconsistent, redundant, or unnecessary language, including instances where rule language is duplicative of statutory language?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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- 103.1 – deleted redundant definitions and standardized use of the definition of “student” throughout.
- 103.2 – deleted restrictive terms; referred appropriate items to STS policies and procedures.
- 103.3 – deleted restrictive terms and revised sentences to use active voice.
- 103.4 – deleted restrictive terms, referred appropriate items to STS policies and procedures, and revised sentences to use active voice.
- 103.5 – deleted restrictive terms and referred appropriate items to STS policies and procedures.
- 103.6 - referred appropriate items to STS policies and procedures.
- 103.7 - referred appropriate items to STS policies and procedures.
- 103.8 – clarified the grievance procedure and added language pertaining to a student’s rights.
- 103.9 – deleted restrictive terms.
- 103.10 – deleted a restrictive term.
- 103.11 – deleted restrictive term and referred items back to the appropriate Iowa Code section.
- 103.12 – deleted restrictive terms.
- 103.13 – deleted restrictive terms.

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

None.

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

103.1 to 103.13

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

METRICS

Total number of rules repealed:	0
Proposed word count reduction after repeal and/or re-promulgation	930
Proposed number of restrictive terms eliminated after repeal and/or re-promulgation	70

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

No