

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

Department Name:	Iowa Public Information Board	Date:	May 19, 2025	Total Rule Count:	3
IAC #:	497	Chapter/ SubChapter/ Rule(s):	8	Iowa Code Section Authorizing Rule:	23
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What is the intended benefit of the rule?

Chapter 8 was promulgated to comply with Iowa's open meetings requirements. Chapter 8 outlines procedures for holding open meetings.

Is the benefit being achieved? Please provide evidence.

Yes, the benefit is being achieved. The Iowa Public Information Board successfully operates pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 23 and processes numerous complaints every year. This Chapter will provide guidance should a complainant or government body have questions or concerns regarding open meetings law.

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. All services provided by the Iowa Public Information Board are provided to citizens with no charge. The Iowa Public Information Board is designed to be a free and easily accessible way for citizens to raise and resolve complaints against government bodies related to transparency.

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

There are no costs to the agency or any other agency to implement or enforce this rule.

Do the costs justify the benefits achieved? Please explain.

As indicated above, there are no costs associated with this rule.

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.

This Chapter aligns with Iowa Code Chapter 21. There is no less restrictive alternative.

Does this chapter/rule(s) contain language that is obsolete, outdated, inconsistent, redundant, or unnecessary language, including instances where rule language is duplicative of statutory language?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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No.

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

No rules were repealed in Chapter 8.

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

The full Chapter 8 is being re-promulgated with removal of restrictive terms.

****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	0
Proposed number of restrictive terms eliminated after repeal and/or re-promulgation	12

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

N/A