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## IOWA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS (DHR) REGULATORY PLAN For Fiscal Year 2023

Executive Order Number Nine (September 14, 1999) requires each state agency to submit an annual Regulatory Plan detailing foreseeable rulemaking initiatives for the upcoming fiscal year that the agency reasonably expects to issue in proposed or final form. The Iowa Department of Human Rights' review of upcoming rulemaking initiatives are outlined in this Regulatory Plan, which has been approved by the Department Director.

### **Objectives**

- The Department of Human Rights' mission is to ensure basic rights, freedoms, and opportunities for all by empowering underrepresented Iowans and eliminating economic, social, and cultural barriers.
- Transfer the rules on Licensing and Approved Standards for Juvenile Detention and Shelter Care Homes from the Department of Human Services IAC 441-105 to Department of Human Rights IAC 421. The proposed rules will remove any references specific to Shelter Care Homes and will be updated to reflect current best practices.
- Transfer the rules in Juvenile Detention Reimbursement from the Department of Human Services IAC 441-167 to the Department of Human Rights IAC 421.

### **Legal Authority**

- Iowa Department of Human Rights, Iowa Code Chapter 216A
- Iowa Administrative Procedure Act, Iowa Code Chapter 17A
- 2022 Iowa Acts, House File 2507.

### **Contemplated Schedule**

- File Notice of Intended Action by December 2022
- Implement new rules on July 1, 2023

## **Summary**

In State Fiscal Year 2023, the Department of Human Rights intends to transfer and update administrative rules currently under the Iowa Department of Human Services to reflect the statutory changes enacted by 2022 Iowa Acts, House File 2507.

### Licensing Standards

The Department of Human Rights intends to examine the licensing standards for Juvenile Detention and Shelter Care Homes currently under Department of Human Services IAC 441-105; transfer and update those portions of these licensing standards that apply to juvenile detention homes to Department of Human Rights IAC 421. The Department of Human Rights intends to update these administrative rules to reflect current best practices and applicable federal law. This review and update of the licensing standards will be done in consultation with the Department of Human Services, the Department of Inspections and Appeals, administration from the juvenile detention homes, and the Iowa Juvenile Justice Advisory Council.

### Juvenile Detention Reimbursement

The Department of Human Rights intends to examine the standards for the juvenile detention reimbursement fund under Department of Human Services IAC 441-167; transfer and update them to Department of Human Rights IAC 421.

## **Contact**

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