

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

Department Name:	Public Safety	Date:		Total Rule Count:	4
IAC #:	661	Chapter/ SubChapter/ Rule(s):	292	Iowa Code Section Authorizing Rule:	80.47
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What is the intended benefit of the rule?

The intended benefit of the rule is to establish the operation of the Public Safety Survivor Benefits Fund as outlined in Iowa Code section 80.47. The fund is used to assist the surviving families of eligible peace officers and fire fighters killed in the line of duty with the payment of costs associated with accident or health care coverage pursuant to Iowa Code section 809A.13C. However, upon further review of the rule, the Department has determined it does not possess rulemaking authority for this chapter.

Is the benefit being achieved? Please provide evidence.

Yes, the Department has allocated

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 costs to the agency or any other department to implement or enforce this rule.

Do the costs justify the benefits achieved? Please explain.

While there are no costs to implement or enforce this rule, impacted and eligible families benefit from receiving financial assistance from this fund.

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 Department proposes rescinding Chapter 292 in its entirety.

Does this chapter/rule(s) contain language that is obsolete, outdated, inconsistent, redundant, or unnecessary language, including instances where rule language is duplicative of statutory language?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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Yes, Chapter 159 is obsolete and unnecessary since the program these rules support no longer exists in code. The fund will still exist and the Department will continue to allocate funds as directed by Iowa Code section 80.47.

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

The Department proposes rescinding Chapter 292.

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

None.

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

METRICS

Total number of rules repealed:	4
Proposed word count reduction after repeal and/or re-promulgation	519
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?

The Department would recommend codifying a reporting requirement for organizations that have received funding. The report could contain the following:

- a. The number of surviving families that received benefits associated with accident or health care coverage from the nonprofit organization,
- b. The number of surviving families that were denied benefits,
- c. The amount of actual benefits paid to each surviving family,
- d. The total amount of administrative costs associated with providing benefits to surviving families.