

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

Department Name:	Revenue	Date:	8/31/2026	Total Rule Count:	6
IAC #:	701	Chapter/ SubChapter/ Rule(s):	Chapter 109	Iowa Code Section Authorizing Rule:	428A.11
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What is the intended benefit of the rule?

The rule describes the Department's interpretation of the underlying statutes on real estate transfer tax and declarations of value. The rules are intended to help the public and local governments understand real estate transfer tax.

Is the benefit being achieved? Please provide evidence.

To the extent rule language is being rescinded, the Department has determined the language is unnecessary, obsolete, or duplicative of statutory language. To the extent the Department proposes to re-promulgate rules, the Department has determined that the rules aid the public in better understanding real estate transfer tax and declarations of value. The evidence for the benefit of the rules is demonstrated from the text of the rules themselves and the greater certainty they provide taxpayers and local governments.

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

There is no cost to comply with the rule beyond those imposed by the underlying statute.

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

The rules do not impose any costs to the agency of implementing the rule beyond those that are already required to administer the related statutes.

Do the costs justify the benefits achieved? Please explain.

There are no costs of the rules themselves. The cost of inaction is potential confusion about real estate transfer tax and declarations of value.

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 rules have been revised where possible to rescind statutory text or obsolete language. The rules that will be re-promulgated have been determined to be necessary. There is no less restrictive alternative to achieve the benefit of additional certainty.

Does this chapter/rule(s) contain language that is obsolete, outdated, inconsistent, redundant, or unnecessary language, including instances where rule language is duplicative of statutory language?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 109 contains language that is outdated, redundant of statute, or unnecessary.

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

None

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

109.1-109.6 is amended to remove outdated language and language duplicative of statute

The text of the proposed rules will be published with the Regulatory Analysis in the Iowa Administrative Code Bulletin in the coming months.

****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	927
Proposed number of restrictive terms eliminated after repeal and/or re-promulgation	11

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

No.