

## CHAPTER REVIEW AND SUMMARY

<b>Bureau Name</b>	Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine	<b>Total Rule Count</b>	2
<b>Staff Member</b>		<b>Number of Pages</b>	1
<b>Chapter or Rule</b>	811 IAC chapter 7	<b>Code Section Authorizing Rule</b>	sections 169.5(7)(j)

**Provide a summary of what public benefits the Chapter/Rule seeks to accomplish:**

This chapter defines the veterinary examination process that includes the examination procedure and conduct, which is generally required to obtain a license to practice veterinary medicine in Iowa.

**Are the intended public benefits being achieved?**

Yes. The public benefits from a licensing process that includes a test that helps ensure the competency of the veterinary applicant.

**Provide a breakdown of the fees included in the Chapter as well as revenue generated over the previous 5 fiscal years; Include where the funds are deposited:**

There are no fees listed in this chapter. Fees for taking the exam are located in chapter 6.

**What costs are incurred by the public to comply with the Chapter or Rule?**

There are no direct costs to the public regarding the examination for veterinarians. The only costs imposed are on the persons taking the exam in order to become licensed veterinarians in Iowa.

**What costs are incurred by the bureau or other agencies to implement/enforce the Chapter or Rule?**

Costs incurred by the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship are minimal. The cost would be staff time to give oversight to the testing process and to verify passage of the test for those licenses that require passage of the test.

**Do the costs justify the benefits achieved? Explain.**

Yes. The test is statutorily required for most veterinary licenses, and ensuring competency of veterinarians is critical.

**Are there alternatives that should be considered to achieve 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 test is required by statute, and most, if not all, other states require passage of a test to obtain licensure.

**Does this Chapter or Rule contain language that is obsolete, outdated, inconsistent, redundant, or unnecessary language, including instances where rule language is duplicative of statutory language?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]**

Yes. The Board reviewed this chapter and identified several words that were unnecessary or outdated.

**RULES PROPOSED FOR REPEAL – List rule number(s):**

811 Iowa Admin. Code 7.2(1)

**RULES PROPOSED FOR RE-PROMULGATION – List rule number(s) and please email an attachment with suggested changes (specific changes can be worked out later):**

811 Iowa Admin. Code 7.1 and 7.2

**Are there any rules that you would recommend be codified in statute?**

None.

#### METRICS

<b>Total number of rules repealed</b>	1 subrule
<b>Proposed word count reduction after repeal and/or re-promulgation</b>	440-258=182

## REGULATORY ANALYSIS

### 1. Persons affected by the proposed rule

Classes of persons that will bear the costs of the proposed rule:

Veterinarians seeking licensure in Iowa.

Classes of persons that will benefit from the proposed rule:

Citizens of Iowa that seek the services of veterinarians.

### 2. Impact of the proposed rule, economic or otherwise, including the nature and amount of all the different kinds of costs that would be incurred

Quantitative description of impact:

There are no direct costs to the public imposed by this rule.

Qualitative description of impact:

There are no qualitative impacts on this rule as it simply explains the examination procedure and rules.

### 3. Costs to the state

Implementation and enforcement costs borne by the agency or any other agency:

There are no costs to the State. The Board has outsourced the development, assessment and proctoring of the exam.

Anticipated effect on state revenues:

None.

### 4. Comparison of the costs and benefits of the proposed rule to the costs and benefits of inaction

Costs of inaction (lack of requirement of passing score on examination) would have a huge negative impact in Iowa on the quality of veterinarians practicing and the effects it would have on pets and livestock

### 5. Determination if less costly methods or less intrusive methods exist for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule

Currently there would be no less costly method. The Board has outsourced the development, assessment and proctoring of the exam.

#### **6. Alternative methods considered by the agency**

Description of any alternative methods that were seriously considered by the agency:

None. See prior answer.

Reasons why they were rejected in favor of the proposed rule:

N/A. See prior answer.

#### **Small Business Impact**

If the rule will have a substantial impact on small business, include a discussion of whether it would be feasible and practicable to do any of the following to reduce the impact of the rule on small business:

- Establish less stringent compliance or reporting requirements in the rule for small business.
- Establish less stringent schedules or deadlines in the rule for compliance or reporting requirements for small business.
- Consolidate or simplify the rule's compliance or reporting requirements for small business.
- Establish performance standards to replace design or operational standards in the rule for small business.
- Exempt small business from any or all requirements of the rule.

If legal and feasible, how does the rule use a method discussed above to reduce the substantial impact on small business?

This rule does not impose requirements on any businesses—just examination passage requirements on persons wishing to practice veterinary medicine in Iowa. Accordingly, there does not appear to be any impacts on small businesses.