



HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

Bill:	House File 2488 (HSB 579)	House Committee:	PASSED February 15 (13-10)
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Public Records of the Iowa Public Broadcasting Board

- Establishes that any information or material stored and preserved by the IPBB, the administrator, department, or any entity on behalf of the state shall be considered public records.
- Establishes that IPBB cannot enforce intellectual property rights on such public records 10 years after the creation of the material.
- Fiscal Note:** estimated to increase ongoing costs to Iowa PBS by \$231,000. Iowa PBS may request an increase in General Fund appropriations for additional FTE positions to maintain the process of preservation, digitization, and cataloging of footage.

Section by Section Analysis

Section 1 – (Iowa Code 256.84(12))

New subsection – Adds to Iowa Code that all records, videos, and documents/information stored in any medium of a government body is considered public records unless it meets the requirements of confidential information.

The public records released under this section shall be used for educational, historical, or cultural purposes. The videos, tapes, or other media are not to be used for endorsements, political purposes, or to generate a profit.

This section does not violate any marketing, licensing, or other similar agreements in place as of January 1, 2020. Requires that any denial of request for material, shall identify the specific marketing or licensing agreement shall be included to the requester.

Nothing in this section shall be interpreted as a violation of criminal law.

Amendment Analysis

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Clarifies that the records considered public information are documents that primarily involve a government body as defined by the chapter on public records.

Strikes the section requiring the request be used for educational, historical, or cultural purposes and the prohibition on the use of the records for endorsements, political purposes, or for profit.