

HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

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DIAL Department Bill

- Allows DIAL and boards under their purview to adopt standards by reference to online publication.
- Allows DIAL to administratively close complaints if they don't include violations of DIAL Chapter of code.
- Allows DIAL to conduct audits and investigation of the Board of Medicine, Board of Pharmacy, Dental Board, and Board of Nursing
- Shifts rulemaking authority over handicapped parking from DPS to DIAL.

Section by Section Analysis

Section 1 – Standards adopted by reference – access (Iowa Code 10A.110)

NEW SECTION – Allows the Department and any boards or commissions under the purview of the Department to adopt standards by reference to another publication without posting on DIAL website if the publication is readily available for free and the internet site is referenced in the adopted rules.

Section 2 – Complaints (Iowa Code 10A.111)

NEW SECTION – Allows the Department to administratively close complaints that do not allege a violation of DIAL chapter of code.

Section 3 – Fees (Iowa Code 10A.112)

NEW SECTION – Allows the Department, by rules, to revise fees that are authorized to be changed by rules.

Section 4 – Responsibilities (Iowa Code 10A.402(1))

Amends code to include the Department's right to conduct audits and investigations to the Board of Medicine, Board of Pharmacy, Dental Board, and Board of Nursing to conform with changes made in the Boards and Commissions bill.

Section 5 – Responsibilities (Iowa Code 10A.402(7))

NEW SUBSECTION – Requires the Director to coordinate investigations with an executive branch entity if an agreement to conduct the investigation has been entered.

Section 6 – Investigators – peace officer status (Iowa Code 10A.403)

Conforming code change to incorporate section 5 of this bill.

Section 7 – Confidentiality (Iowa Code 10A.508)

NEW SECTION – Requires DIAL to keep personal information that could be used to identify licensed individuals or individuals seeking licensure unless ordered by a court of the lawful custodian of the records.

Section 8 – State inspection fees (Iowa Code 103.32(3))

Strikes the fire and accident inspections fees conducted by DIAL.

Section 9 – Persons with disabilities parking spaces — location and requirements — review committees (Iowa Code 321L.5(2))

Shifts the rulemaking authority for handicap parking spaces from Department of Public Safety to DIAL.

Section 10 – Persons with disabilities parking permits and parking — rules (Iowa Code 321L.8(2))

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