

# Iowa Smokefree Air Act

Summary of Administrative Rule Comments

June 2 – September 30, 2008



To allow for the public to comment on the Administrative Rules to the Smokefree Air Act, the Iowa Department of Public Health provided two primary methods: 1) an official public comment form on the Iowa Smokefree Air Act Web Site, [IowaSmokefreeAir.gov](http://IowaSmokefreeAir.gov); and 2) five in-person hearings conducted over the Iowa Communications network located at sites across the state.

Approximately 1,090 comments were received by the Iowa Department of Public Health from June 2 – September 30, 2008. Of that amount, a total of 125 of those comments were specifically regarding the Administrative Rules to the law. A summary of those comments are as follows:

Category	Sub-Category	Number of comments received
<b>641-153.2 Definitions</b>	*Serving of food incidental to the consumption of alcoholic beverages	30
	Grounds of any public building	5
	Ashtray	1
	Entrance	1
	Infiltrate	1
	Seating areas of outdoor entertainment venues	1
<b>641-153.4 Areas where smoking not regulated</b>	Hotels and motels	1
	Outdoor areas of publically-owned nursing facilities	1
<b>641-153.5 Duties of employers, owners, operators, managers...</b>	Size requirement of vehicle signs	15
	Overall size requirement of the signs	2
	Notification by employers to individuals smoking in an area where smoking is prohibited to stop smoking	2
<b>641-153.8 Complaints and Enforcement</b>	Enforcement against a person who smokes in an area prohibited by the law	2
	Contents of the complaint	2
	Notice of violation	5
	Use of 28E agreements and physical arrests	1
<b>General opinion or comment</b>	In support of the rules	36
	Other miscellaneous comments	19

\*Of the 30 comments received in this sub-category, 12 were regarding percentage of food sales vs. alcohol sales.