



# IOWA HOUSE DEMOCRATS

## BILL SUMMARY

### HF 889

## Vaccine Passports

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Prohibits the state, or any political subdivision, from including on an identification card issued by the state or political subdivision any information regarding whether the holder of the identification card has received a vaccination for COVID-19.

Prohibits a business or governmental entity from requiring a customer, patron, client, patient, or other person invited onto the premises of the business or governmental entity from furnishing proof of having received a COVID-19 vaccination. A business or governmental entity may implement a COVID-19 screening protocol that does not require proof of a COVID-19 vaccination. State grants or contracts cannot be awarded to or renewed with business or governmental entities that require proof of COVID-19 vaccination.

Businesses include a retailer required to obtain a sales tax permit, nonprofits, or any establishment open to the public or where entrance is limited by a cover or membership charge. "Business" does not include a health care facility (as defined in [686D.2](#)), for example a hospital ([135B](#)), a residential care or nursing facility ([135C](#)), surgical or treatment centers ([514J.102](#)), residential treatment center ([514J.102](#)), intermediate care facilities for persons with mental illness or intellectual disabilities, hospice program, elder group home, and assisted living program.

A governmental entity includes the state or any political subdivision that owns, leases or operates buildings under the control of the state or a political subdivision of the state. "Governmental entity" does not include health care facilities ([686D.2](#)).

These requirements are effective upon enactment.