


State of Iowa
Executive Department

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 24

WHEREAS, the Iowa Division on Alcoholism and the Iowa Drug Abuse Authority were created to plan, coordinate and develop alcohol and drug abuse services to assist Iowans suffering from these problems; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 125.38 of the 1977 Code of Iowa requires the merger of these state agencies into a single state division of the Department of Health effective July 1, 1977; and

WHEREAS, the Governor may, by Executive Order, delay that merger to a date not later than January 1, 1978, if merger effective July 1, 1977, is deemed not to be in the best interest of the State of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the most recent General Assembly, through the passage of House File 594, has created an Iowa Department of Substance Abuse to develop, implement and administer a comprehensive substance abuse program; and

WHEREAS, I have determined that a temporary delay of such merger would be in the best interests of the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert D. Ray, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby delay temporarily the merger of the Division on Alcoholism and the Iowa Drug Abuse Authority pursuant to Chapter 125.38 of the Code until such time that House File 594 has been appropriately reviewed in light of its proposed effect on Iowa's current drug and alcohol abuse programs and its effect, either direct or tangential, on other legislation awaiting signature. At such time as House File 594 becomes law, the merger will proceed as directed by the Act. However, if, for any reason, House File 594 does not become law, this Executive Order will remain in full force and effect until December 31, 1977.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Iowa to be affixed. Done at Des Moines this 30th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-seven.



Governor



Attest:



John A. Schwicker
Secretary of State DEPUTY