FDA mulls e-cig rules

The FDA wades into electronic cigarettes, but some experts believe the proposed rules don’t go far enough.

By BRENT CARRUTHERS

The federal government proposed regulating electronic cigarettes on Thursday after a long-awaited review. But those who research the issue, despite some gains, were disappointed the proposed rules don’t go far enough.

The Food and Drug Administration classified e-cigarettes under existing federal law, which then allowed it to propose a host of changes to how the nicotine-carrying cylinders are regulated.

Those proposed changes include:

• Banning sales to minors and requiring customers to show IDs;
• Requiring manufacturers to include health warnings on their products;
• Manufacturers could only make direct or indirect claims about e-cigarettes reducing risks if the FDA finds research to back up the assertion and the “marketing the product would benefit public health as a whole.”
• Manufacturers would have to register with the FDA and report product and ingredient lists.

The proposed rules generated a lackluster response from those who research the issue.

“The proposed rules don’t go far enough,” Supervisor Rod Sullivan said. “That was part of what went into our firm,” Supervisor Rod Sullivan said.

The Johnson County Board of Supervisors chose to go local on a project with a muddled history.

The supervisors approved a contract with Neumann Monarch PC for all services related to the courthouse annex design plans in a unanimous vote on Thursday.

The firm, in association with Venture Architects, was hired to complete a study examining options for a courthouse annex to an existing courthouse.

The project “was a good local work” and there has been “no discernible negative reaction,” Sullivan said.

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Schools take aim at debt
University of Iowa students are graduating with debt, but officials are taking steps to ensure students are not borrowing more than they should.

By Ian Murray

COUNCIL BLUFFS — The University of Iowa wants to lighten the load for its students.

Mark Warren, the assistant provost for enrollment management and director of student financial aid, said Thursday at the state Board of Regents meeting the university will add two full-time positions to help students make sense of the intricacies of financial aid and make sure students do not borrow more than they need.

At the UI, 34,771 students received financial aid during the 2012-13 academic year. Warren said completion with students has been a major focus of the Financial Aid Advisory Committee this year.

"When you start out, you start out with a blank, first-year, first-time student," Warren said. "They are not always money-savvy." Warren said oftentimes parents and grandparents do not always make sure their students are aware of the real costs of college, not just tuition.

"You have to be able to have communication with parents and students," he said.

Those who graduated from the UI in 2012-13 academic year had an average debt of $23,377, according to the report. The report indicated that 21 percent of those age 24 to 39, and 14 percent of those 40-64, felt that added expense and loans were the top financial problems facing their families.

"To help keep debt in check, the UI will award more scholarships," the Iowa Scholastic Award, which increased from $1,000 for 2012-13 to $1,250 for 2013-14, will increase again this year. Warren said, "The total will be $2,000, or $2,000 increments for four years. Level two will be $3,000 per year for a total of $12,000 awarded over four years."

Diana Ortegon, the chief academic officer for the regents, said, and by course, the largest need was for assistance for students come from families with incomes below $30,000.

Overall, $100 million will be used to help students in financial aid, $85 million was from federal loans and grants.

Warren said approximately 10 percent of the UI students received money from federal loans and grants, but Warren said 90 percent of aid for the UI students came from the state government.

The UI will also continue its "Invest in Iowa" fundraising campaign, launched by UI President Bruce Harreld.

Masen has pledged to match the interest of donated gifts of $100,000 or more. Warren said he expects around $425,000 to be available from the bank for the 2014-15 academic year.

Other regent institutions are taking steps to aid students as well. Iowa State University will launch a financial aid service center to help students understand and manage their debt.

Report Kurt Mueller, "the band is Education and Student Loan & Scholarships" he said. "I have a say I really appreciate the unique form, different approach," he said.

Correction
In the April 24 article "The Climate as narrative," reporter Karlin DeWall incorrectly reported the climate narrative events would take place on Tuesday. They will take place on April 29. The Des Moines Register regrets the error.

Blotter
Sahil Ahmad, 43, Coralville, was charged Wednesday with a second-offense of third-degree assault. Lamont H. Adkison, 25, West Des Moines, was charged Wednesday with third-offense of simple assault and third-offense of possession of a controlled substance.

Joseph Babcock, 31, Des Moines, was charged Thursday with third-offense of third-degree assault. William G. Barden, 56, Coralville, was charged Wednesday with third-offense of third-degree assault. William J. Bennett, 41, Des Moines, was charged Wednesday with third-offense of third-degree assault. Kailee B. Bos, 24, Coralville, was charged Thursday with third-offense of third-degree assault.

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The reports help to hue of Mississippi, where it's a sort of mist. The report will have said any savings for the study will be reinvested in the university.

The study is an effort by the Iowa campus of the work that is being done, according to a UI news release. The phase started 15 years ago and had 38 people involved. The phase included data gathering and setting benchmarks. Deloitte will work with faculty to find efficiencies and the implications of solutions. The results will be translated by the study, said, "We have been impressed by the support we have seen and believes the venture could be successful."

"We believe we are better at this because of the uniqueness of the university," he said. "It's our goal to get the report made, and have it be a resource for the state and the public."
Marching Band’s home measuring up

The Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex is on schedule and on budget and should be ready for the next Marching Band season.

By LILY ARNHEIM
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Muddy shoes and cramped storage space will no longer be the norm for those who march and play music.

The Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex and indoor turf addition are on schedule and on budget, and the Hawkeye Marching Band is especially looking forward to the changes.

“The project will be a real benefit, and it is exciting to see the progress,” wrote Kevin Kastens, the director of the Hawkeye Marching Band, in an email. “Overall, this new facility is much more representative of a Big Ten marching band.”

Moore said he is pleased with the progress on the project, because it means it will be available for use this fall.

“This will ensure that this will be a very efficient facility because there will be a year-round facility,” he said.

The year-round availability in what Kastens said he is most looking forward to.

An outdoor turf field next door will make practices a lot more pleasant for the Marching Band. “Although we will miss our neighbors at our practice field, this outdoor turf field will be level and don’t need to worry about a rainfall,” Kastens said.

In total, the project is set to cost $11.85 million.

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The regents voted unanimously to approve the $11.85 million project.

Regent Robert Downer said. “I think this gets back on track."

Regent President Bruce Rastetter agreed. “Having leadership in the executive director position is critical,” he said. “I applaud your efforts in making sure this gets back on track.”

— Lyn Murphy
COLUMN
We must fund social sciences

Elizabeth Moonmay, assistant director of the Public Policy Research Foundation, said that only 10 percent of social science is spent on health outcomes to access the health of the general population and the behaviors that affect it. She also noted that only 700 million is spent on health and economic sciences. That's a pittance compared to the agency's entire budget of $1 billion.

Any government that wants to develop a social policy should invest in the social sciences. It's especially concerning that political scientists are struggling to keep funding for social science at the National Science Foundation when its role is recognized across our country.

One of the biggest threats to our country's future financial security is the increasing debt to Mexico. If policy makers were to develop policies that would allow them to increase the money they have with their programs, they would be able to generate a larger portion of their general operating budget for it.

Encouraging healthy behavior has never been more important as our current population is struggling to fight obesity. In many ways, it actually boosts our health and our ability to access healthy foods and services. We need to look at the inner city neighborhoods and believe that a couple that are in a community and have a chance to live different lives to 20 miles to the north of the state are excited to study appetites. We need to see what we can do about healthy food. There's no one who should tell anyone how to eat. I think we're going to have to try to get these programs to make sure that we don't ask them to tell anyone who needs them how to eat.

EDITORIAL
Gov't accountability needed

On Wednesday, an Iowa Senate panel took an important step toward combating the corruption and obscurity that so many local newspapers have to tolerate. The Iowa Senate Appropriations Committee approved a bill that, if passed, would help set a new standard for state government.

In a 3-2 vote, the Iowa Senate Government Oversight Committee advanced a bill that, if passed and signed into law by Gov. Terry Branstad, would put a new secret to states between state officials and employees, including the recent noteworthy revelations that the Branstad administration spent more than a half-billion dollars in taxpayer money paying former state employees to keep quiet about crimes in state government. This legislation would break the secret settlement story in the future, by the way, and through direct financial mechanisms (such as severance pay) that would make it more likely that whistleblowers that have the courage to speak up are covered.

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The Iowa City firm is tasked with designing the courthouse annex and has been implementing the proposal for the supervisors recently. The courthouse annex will be completely finished, and the supervisors hope that if the vote passes the project will proceed. The courthouse annex will house additional offices and courtrooms for the Supreme Court and additional courtrooms and office space for District Court.

In an interview with the Daily Iowan, supervisor Janelle Rettig said, “Assuming everything goes smoothly, construction will follow quickly. But the cold did set back the first few weeks, but we’re back on schedule.”

The courthouse annex will be completed in 2017. The courthouse annex is expected to add six courtrooms in a building to the south of the courthouse. Officials have said that the current courthouse and jail are overcrowded and riddled with security problems.

The current plan for the courthouse annex is $158 million. The plans were reviewed and passed by the General Assembly on March 13. Since then, a variety of amendments have been proposed to the bill, so a decision cannot be made until May 2014.

It will be interesting to see how the new store goes, as Stocker Jewelers, neighbor to RVAP, is the store downtown and two, year-round boutiques.

I walked by,” she said. “There has been an increase in the number of people coming inside the stores, so we can give people ready-to-wear clothing for both men and women from the global re-

I'm hearing a lot of people complain to get a new store and said banning access to minors has detrimental effects on the state and local level. The researchers say are having nothing at all.

I'm not able to do new things, and I wanted a new idea,” Champion said. “I also wanted something that would appeal to people that we don’t have here. One, to have a branded store and two, something that reached out to more people in a super market — 10 percent — of the voters in November.

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Today’s events

- Cinema: Critical Practices in Caribbean Literature and Art, 4 p.m., 2361 University Capitol Center
- “Cross-Cultural Practices in Caribbean Literature and Art,” 5 p.m., 2390 University Capitol Center
- Roger Waters: The Wall, 7 p.m., 150 Music West
- Campus Activities Board, The Monuments Men, 9 p.m., 348 IMU
- Campus Activities Board Movie, The Monuments Men, 11 p.m., 348 IMU

Time is the longest distance between two places. — Tennessee Williams
tracksters set for historic meet

WOMEN’S TRACK

By KRISTIN DUNN

The Drake Relays is often regarded as one of the biggest track and field events in the nation. Numerous Olympic gold medalists have competed at the meet, along with top college and high school athletes from several countries.

But Drake is more than a race for the track and field elite. By past competitors, the most memorable part of the event is the ambience, which may also be said aside from other major track meets.

Iowa assistant coach Clive Roberts remembers the first time he set foot in Drake Stadium; he was an student-athlete competing in hurdles and relays for Central Michigan.

“I was walking in, and the whole place is packed,” Roberts said. “I’m expecting a. . . I’m expecting a lot.”

The week features events outside the Drake Blue Oval to involve more of the community in celebrating the tradition.

The Drake Relays kicked off the week with a high-jump competition at Hy-Lo on Wednesday — the shoes cleared out the podium, a place for the Hy-Lo competitors.
come out of high school, and one who was slowly making a transition to the mound. He could go to the bullpen for the Iowa Hawkeyes. Powell round out the other two spots for those looking to break out as well. Hawkeye

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have on the team. As a catcher, you're responsible for calling every pitch, every part of every pitch, contrasting every pitch, every part of every pitch. You're the one who's supposed to be making the calls. And you're the one who's supposed to be in front of the running backs. What's their opinion on how to call a game from behind the plate and how to do it as a leader.

Heller said. "He's kind of been that guy just waiting to get his chance," Kenyon said. "He's always had the opportunity to speak for everything, even when I was in the lineup, to keep him working." With Kenyon likely returning some time before the conclusion of the season, one that could have Iowa in the Big Ten Tournament, it's unclear how Heller will handle the situation behind the plate. What's not unclear, however, is that Frankos has earned a starting spot, whether Kenyon's healthy or not. "Each game that he gets, he gets a little bit smarter," Kenyon said. "Behind the plate, you have to be a smart guy; and as he's learning and getting more chance back there, he's going to become a great overall catcher."
Friday in the power forward position after Zach visit Iowa City on May 2. Media reports say Huff is scheduled to the University of Nevada. Numerous game in 2013-14), a transfer from talks with Cole Huff (12.4 points per use them. Iowa is rumored to be in the upcoming season, if he chooses zona State means Fran McCaffery still to come to Iowa recruiting him 25. “I’ve been — the same recognition recent Iowa junior college All-American third team this past season. His performance in will attend Arizona State. Atwood chooses Ari-