



█'s case is "compelling." Imposing additional rules invades the province of the legislature and the State Board. *See, e.g., Matter of Estate of Thompson*, 512 N.W.2d 560, 564 (Iowa 1994).

We determine legislative intent from the words chosen by the legislature, not what it should or might have said. ... Absent a statutory definition or an established meaning in the law, words in the statute are given their ordinary and common meaning by considering the context within which they are used. ... Under the guise of construction, an interpreting body may not extend, enlarge or otherwise change the meaning of a statute....

*Auen v. Alcoholic Beverages Div.*, 679 N.W.2d 586, 590 (Iowa 2004) (citations omitted). The sole question is whether █'s residence changed because of "participation in a mental health program," and that question is answered in the affirmative. *See In re Evan P.*, 27 D.o.E. App. Dec. 634 (2015).

In the present matter, I need not consider the administrative law judge's analysis of the proper scope of review. This is because it is not necessary to the outcome of this case. [Even under an abuse-of-discretion standard, I find and conclude that █ is entitled to relief from the General Transfer Rule. *Id.* at 638].

I also need not discuss the other grounds for relief in the proposed decision because █ meets the exception contained in Rule 36.15"a"(4)(6). While I understand the administrative law judge must address all contentions raised by the parties, it is not necessary for me to do so to reverse the decision of the IHSSA.

Any allegation not specifically addressed in this decision is either incorporated into an allegation that is specifically addressed or is overruled. Any legal contention not specifically addressed is either addressed by implication in legal decision contained herein or is deemed to be without merit. Any matter considered a finding of fact that is more appropriately considered a conclusion of law shall be so considered. Any matter considered a conclusion of law that is more appropriately considered a finding of act shall be so considered.

### DECISION

For the foregoing reasons, the decision of the Iowa High School Athletic Association made on June 11, 2018 is REVERSED. There are no costs of this appeal to be assigned.

It is so ordered.

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