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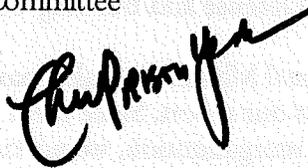
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FROM: Cheri Pierson Yecke, Ph.D. 

DATE: December 1, 2003

RE: Annual Report on Obsolete, Unnecessary or Duplicative Rules, as Required
by *Minnesota Statutes*, Section 140.05, Subdivision 5.

Minnesota Statutes, section 14.05, states:

Review and repeal of rules. By December 1 of each year, an agency must submit to the governor, the Legislative Coordinating Commission, the policy and funding committees and divisions with jurisdiction over the agency, and the revisor of statutes, a list of any rules or portions of rules that are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative of other state or federal statutes or rules. The list must also include an explanation of why the rule or portion of the rule is obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative of other state or federal statutes or rules. By December 1, the agency must either report a timetable for repeal of the rule or portion of the rule, or must develop a bill for submission to the appropriate policy committee to repeal the obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative rule. Such a bill must include proposed authorization to use the expedited procedures of section 14.389 to repeal or amend the obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative rule. A report submitted under this subdivision must

be signed by the person in the agency who is responsible for identifying and initiating repeal of obsolete rules. The report also must identify the status of any rules identified in the prior year's report as obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative. If none of an agency's rules are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative, an agency's December 1 report must state that conclusion.

2003 Obsolete Rules

The Minnesota Department of Education has not determined any rules to be obsolete, unnecessary or duplicative of other state or federal statutes or rules.

Status of Rules Identified in the 2002 Obsolete Rules Report

In the 2002 Obsolete Rules Report, the department identified certain rules under its jurisdiction as obsolete. 2003 Minnesota Laws, First Special Session, chapter 9, article 10, section 14 repealed all but one of these identified rules:

- 3500.0600 – Teachers' Duty Free Lunch
- 3520.0400 – Transportation Data Reporting Requirements
- 3520.1400 – Regulations Relating to Equal Transportation
- 3520.3300 – Transportation of Students with a Disability
- 3530.1500 – Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped and Institutions
- 3530.2700 – Training and Experience Index
- 3530.4400 to 3530.4500 – Disaster Plan
- 3530.4700 – Civil Defense and Building Construction

The legislature did not repeal Minnesota Rules, parts 9565.5500 to 9565.5520, even though they were also identified in our report. Since these rules were transferred to the Department of Human Services in the reorganization, we no longer have the authority to seek their repeal this year.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Chas Anderson at 651.582.8207.

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