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Subject: Annual Report on Obsolete, Unnecessary, or Duplicative Rules, as Required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 14.05, Subdivision 5.

Dear Governor Dayton, Senators, Representatives, Legislative Coordinating Commission Director Hubinger and Revisor Timmons:

Minnesota Statutes, section 14.05, subdivision 5, states:

"...., an agency must submit to the governor, the legislative coordinating commission, the policy and funding committees and divisions with jurisdiction over the agency, the revisor of statutes, a list of any rules or portions of rules that are obsolete, unnecessary, 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include an explanation of why the rule or portion of the rule is obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative of other state or federal statutes or rules.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."

The Board of Optometry has reviewed current rules and found none that are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative of other state or federal statutes or rules pertinent to this reporting requirement. The Board completed a significant statutory modification in the 2015 session. Based on the statute revisions, the board will be reviewing their rules at the January 13, 2016 board meeting and I anticipate will proceed to formal rule writing in this upcoming biennium.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please call me at 651.201.2731, or write to Minnesota Board of Optometry, Suite 403, 2829 University Avenue SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414.

Sincerely,

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