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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 Walz, Executive Director Weber, Legislators, and Revisor Inman:

Minnesota Statutes, section 14.05, subdivision 5, requires the Minnesota Department of Corrections to report to you by December 1 of each year whether any of its rules are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative of other state or federal statutes or rules.

The following Minnesota Rules are under internal review for cleanup, repeal, or replacement as portions of these rules contain obsolete language:

- Chapter 2900 *New Corrections Facilities*
- Chapter 2911 *Jail Facilities*
- Chapter 2955 *Juvenile Sex Offender Treatment*
- Chapter 2960 *Licensing and Certification Programs for Children*
- Chapter 2965 *Adult Sex Offender Treatment*

Minnesota Rule 2940 *Hearings and Release Unit* is mostly obsolete or unnecessary. Many of the provisions are not regulatory in nature. The purpose of the rule is to establish the operation of the hearings and release unit within the DOC and establish the rules for placement and supervision of incarcerated persons placed in a work

release program. Much of the rule establishes internal functions of the DOC; however, those portions related to revocation of supervised release do require regulation and are under internal review.

At this time, we can identify no other Department of Corrections rules that are obsolete, unnecessary, duplicative, or should be repealed.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Fiona Ruthven, Associate General Counsel, Office of Legal Affairs at 651-361-7180.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Schnell", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Paul Schnell, Commissioner

cc: Legislative Reference Library