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**MEMORANDUM**

To: Chairman Olson  
Members of the Senate Committee on Federal & State Affairs

From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: January 25, 2022

Subject: SB 34 – Statutory expiration of rules and regulations

Senate Bill No. 34 (SB 34) would establish a 5-year sunset on all rules and regulations in effect on July 1, 2021, with the 5-year time period commencing on that date. The bill would also impose a 5-year sunset on any new rules and regulations adopted or substantially amended after July 1, 2021, with the 5-year period commencing on the date of adoption of such regulation or amended regulation. A regulation is "substantially amended" if the amendment broadens or narrows the scope of the regulation.

SB 34 would require that on or before July 15<sup>th</sup> of each year, the Office of Revisor of Statutes will certify to the Speaker and the President those rules and regulations that are set to expire on the following June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Finally, the bill provides that rules and regulations shall only be adopted by a state agency if they serve an identifiable public purpose and are no broader in scope than necessary to meet that purpose.

If enacted, SB 34 would become effective on July 1, 2021.