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To: Kansas Legislature

From: Jill Shelley, Principal Research Analyst

Re: Report of the December 11, 2024, Meeting of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations

With this report, the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations (Committee) provides its comments on rules and regulations reviewed at its meeting on December 11, 2024. Agencies are asked to respond to each comment or request for information; responses are compiled and maintained by staff of the Kansas Legislative Research Department.

All Agencies

The Committee requests and expects agency staff, board members, or other knowledgeable people to be available during presentations to answer technical subject-matter questions and questions about information presented in economic impact statements, to allow the Committee to fully review proposed rules and regulations.

Kansas State Department of Education

KAR 91-31-35, graduation requirements.

The Committee had no comments.

Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Health

KAR 9-15-2, ear marks; limited recognition; KAR 9-15-4 brand registration and renewal fees.

The Committee had no comments.

Board of Examiners in Optometry

KAR 65-5-2, application for licensure by examination; KAR 65-8-4, content of prescription.

The Committee believes it did not have an opportunity to fully review proposed KAR 65-8-4 because answers to questions specific to the practice of optometry were not available. The Committee requests that a representative of the Board of Examiners in Optometry (Board) able to answer potential practice-related questions be available at future rule and regulation presentations before the Committee.

The Committee requests the Board review KAR 65-8-4 and ensure that use of the word “shall” is limited to those elements the Board would expect to be specified in every prescription.

The Committee expresses concern that the elimination of the requirement that pupillary distance be included in a prescription for eyeglasses in proposed KAR 65-8-4 will limit consumer choice of where to purchase eyeglasses.