**24:52:02:01.  Justification.** Deaccessioning is the process of permanently removing an object from a museum collection. The board may deaccession museum objects under any of the following circumstances:

(1)  The objects have lost their physical integrity, identity, or authenticity;

(2)  The objects are no longer relevant and useful to the purposes and activities of the museum;

(3)  The museum cannot store, preserve, or use the objects under conditions that are consistent with professional standards in the **Manual for Museums** and **Code of Ethics for Museums**;

(4)  The collection would be improved through the sale or exchange of objects for new acquisitions; or

(5)  The Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 1990 Pub. L. No. 101-601; 25 U.S.C. § 3001-3013; 104 Stat. 3048-3058, as in effect on January 1, 1994, applies to the objects.

**Source:** 13 SDR 23, effective September 1, 1986; 20 SDR 114, effective January 23, 1994; 44 SDR 43, effective September 12, 2017.

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**Law Implemented:** SDCL 1-19A-11.

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