How to check the status of a regulation using KeyCite

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- **Validity**, which includes cases and adopted and proposed regulations that may negatively impact the regulation.
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- **Versions**, which allows you to read the text of a regulation as it appeared on a particular effective date.

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