Adverse impact notification sent to Joint Commission on Administrative Rules, House Committee on Appropriations, and Senate Committee on Finance (COV § 2.2-4007.04.C): Yes □ Not Needed □

If/when this economic impact analysis (EIA) is published in the *Virginia Register of Regulations*, notification will be sent to each member of the General Assembly (COV § 2.2-4007.04.B).



# Virginia Department of Planning and Budget **Economic Impact Analysis**

18 VAC 85-120 Regulations Governing the Licensure of Athletic Trainers Department of Health Professions Town Hall Action/Stage: 4372/7241

July 17, 2015

## **Summary of the Proposed Amendments to Regulation**

The Board of Medicine (Board) proposes to add a definition for student athletic trainer to its regulation that sets rules for the licensing of athletic trainers.

# **Result of Analysis**

The benefits likely exceed the costs for this proposed regulation.

#### **Estimated Economic Impact**

Currently, this regulation contains rules for student athletic trainers but does not contain a definition of what a student athletic trainer is. The Board now proposes to define a student athletic trainer as "a person enrolled in an accredited bachelors or masters level educational program in athletic training". No entities are likely to incur costs on account of this change. To the extent that adding this definition clarifies the Board's rules, individuals who are seeking to understand these rules will benefit.

#### **Businesses and Entities Affected**

This proposed change will affect all student athletic trainers as well as any other individuals who might read this regulation.

## **Localities Particularly Affected**

This proposed change will not particularly affect any locality in the Commonwealth.

# **Projected Impact on Employment**

This proposed change will likely not affect employment in the Commonwealth.

# **Effects on the Use and Value of Private Property**

This proposed change will likely have no impact on the use or value of private property.

# **Real Estate Development Costs**

This proposed change will likely not affect real estate development costs.

#### **Small Businesses:**

#### Definition

Pursuant to § 2.2-4007.04 of the Code of Virginia, small business is defined as "a business entity, including its affiliates, that (i) is independently owned and operated and (ii) employs fewer than 500 full-time employees or has gross annual sales of less than \$6 million."

### **Costs and Other Effects**

No small businesses will incur costs on account of this regulatory change.

# **Alternative Method that Minimizes Adverse Impact**

No small businesses will incur costs on account of this regulatory change.

## **Adverse Impacts:**

#### **Businesses:**

This proposed change is unlikely to adversely impact any business in the Commonwealth.

#### Localities:

This proposed change is unlikely to adversely impact localities.

#### Other Entities:

This proposed change is unlikely to adversely impact any other entities in the Commonwealth.

## **Legal Mandates**

**General:** The Department of Planning and Budget has analyzed the economic impact of this proposed regulation in accordance with § 2.2-4007.04 of the Code of Virginia (Code) and Executive Order Number 17 (2014). Code § 2.2-4007.04 requires that such economic impact analyses determine the public benefits and costs of the proposed amendments. Further the report should include but not be limited to: (1) the projected number of businesses or

other entities to whom the proposed regulatory action would apply, (2) the identity of any localities and types of businesses or other entities particularly affected, (3) the projected number of persons and employment positions to be affected, (4) the projected costs to affected businesses or entities to implement or comply with the regulation, and (5)the impact on the use and value of private property.

**Adverse impacts:** Pursuant to Code § 2.2-4007.04(C): In the event this economic impact analysis reveals that the proposed regulation would have an adverse economic impact on businesses or would impose a significant adverse economic impact on a locality, business, or entity particularly affected, the Department of Planning and Budget shall advise the Joint Commission on Administrative Rules, the House Committee on Appropriations, and the Senate Committee on Finance within the 45-day period.

If the proposed regulatory action may have an adverse effect on small businesses, Code § 2.2-4007.04 requires that such economic impact analyses include: (1) an identification and estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed regulation, (2) the projected reporting, recordkeeping, and other administrative costs required for small businesses to comply with the proposed regulation, including the type of professional skills necessary for preparing required reports and other documents, (3) a statement of the probable effect of the proposed regulation on affected small businesses, and (4) a description of any less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the proposed regulation. Additionally, pursuant to Code § 2.2-4007.1, if there is a finding that a proposed regulation may have an adverse impact on small business, the Joint Commission on Administrative Rules shall be notified.

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