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MEMORANDUM

- TO: Arne W. Owens Director Virginia Department of Health Professions
- FROM: James E. Rutkowski Assistant Attorney General
- **DATE:** July 14, 2023
- **SUBJECT:** *Regulations Governing the Practice of Social Work* 18VAC140-20

I have reviewed the amendments to the *Regulations Governing the Practice of Social Work*, 18VAC140-20, as adopted by the Board of Social Work on June 16, 2023. The Board has the statutory authority to adopt the amendments under Va. Code §§ 54.1-2400 and 54.1-3705. The regulations are exempt pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-2006(A)(4)(a). The proposed amendments are constitutional and do not conflict with existing federal or state laws or regulations.