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MEMORANDUM

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Subject: Letter of Assurance for Proposed Amendments to the Dangerous Dog Registry Regulations,
2 VAC 5-620

I have reviewed the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' proposed amendments to the regulations for the Dangerous Dog Registry. In my view, as counsel to the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, these amended regulations may be promulgated pursuant to § 3.2-6542 of the *Code of Virginia*. The regulations do not appear to conflict with the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Virginia, nor do they appear to conflict with any federal or state law currently in effect.

Further, the adoption of these regulations is exempt from the procedures in the Virginia Administrative Process Act pursuant to § 3.2-6542 and § 2.2-4006(A)(4)(a) of the *Code of Virginia*.

This memorandum addresses legal matters only and is not intended to serve, nor should it be construed, as a comment for or against the merits of the proposed regulations.

