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Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Department of Health
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation(s)	12VAC5-481-10
Regulation title(s)	Radiation Protection Regulations
Action title	Increased Control Regulation Revision
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Brief summary

Please provide a brief summary of the proposed new regulation, proposed amendments to the existing regulation, or the regulation proposed to be repealed. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

The purpose of this proposed action is to amend section 12VAC5-481-10, "Definitions" to be compatible with 10 CFR Part 37.

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) promulgated Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 10, Part 37 (10CFR Part37), "Physical Protection of Category 1 and Category 2 Quantities of Radioactive Material" on March 19, 2013. Agreement States are required to implement compatible regulations within three years of this date or the program will be deemed "non-compatible" by the NRC, which may result in the revocation of Virginia's Agreement State status.

Section 12VAC5-481-451 was amended and is being printed in the February 8th Virginia Register of Regulations. These definitions needed to be added to 12VAC5-481 for use in section 12VAC5-481-451

Statement of final agency action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including: 1) the date the action was taken; 2) the name of the agency taking the action; and 3) the title of the regulation.

The State Health Commissioner, Dr. Marissa Levine, approved these amendments to the Virginia Radiation Protection Regulations (12VAC5-481) on behalf of the State Board of Health, while the Board was not in session, on February 2, 2016.

Family impact

Please assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability including to what extent the regulatory action will: 1) strengthen or erode the authority and rights of parents in the education, nurturing, and supervision of their children; 2) encourage or discourage economic self-sufficiency, self-pride, and the assumption of responsibility for oneself, one's spouse, and one's children and/or elderly parents; 3) strengthen or erode the marital commitment; and 4) increase or decrease disposable family income.

These proposed amendments will have no direct impact on the institution of the family and family stability.