

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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## MEMORANDUM

То:	Robert T. Hasler, Jr., President Board for Branch Pilots
	Mark N. Courtney, Executive Director Board for Branch Pilots
From:	Cynthia H. Norwood Assistant Attorney General
Date:	December 21, 2006
Subject:	Letter of Assurance for Fast-Track Amendments to Board for Branch Pilots Regulation Relating to Grounds for Denial of Licensure, Denial of Renewal, or Discipline.

I have reviewed the Fast-Track amendments to the Board for Branch Pilots regulation that was posted on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall internet site on December 21, 2006. In my view, as counsel to the Board for Branch Pilots, the Board may promulgate this regulation pursuant to § 54.1-902 of the *Code of Virginia*. The proposed amendments to Regulation 18 VAC 45-20-40 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.

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 amendments to the regulation.