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MEMORANDUM

- To: Trisha Henshaw Executive Director Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation – Board for Asbestos, Lead, and Home Inspectors
 From: Joshua E. Laws
- From: Joshua E. Laws Assistant Attorney General

Date: February 8, 2021

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Subject: Letter of Assurance for Proposed Regulations – Amendments to Regulations - Extension of Temporary Reduction of Renewal and Reinstatement Fees found at 18VAC15-20-53

I have reviewed the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation's ("the Department") proposed Amendments to the Board for Asbestos, Lead, and Home Inspectors Regulations - Extension of Temporary Fee Reduction found at 18VAC15-20-53 that was posted on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall on February 8, 2021. In my view, as counsel to the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation and the Board for Asbestos, Lead, and Home Inspectors, these regulations may be promulgated pursuant to Title 54.1 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, I certify that the proposed changes are exempt from the Administrative

Process Act under Code of Virginia § 2.2-4006(A)(6) because these are regulations of the regulatory boards served by the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation pursuant to Title 54.1 and are limited to reducing fees charged to regulants and applicants.

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.