Adverse impact notification sent to Joint Commission on Administrative Rules, House Committee on Appropriations, and Senate Committee on Finance (COV § 2.2-4007.04.C): Yes ☐ Not Needed ☒

If/when this economic impact analysis (EIA) is published in the *Virginia Register of Regulations*, notification will be sent to each member of the General Assembly (COV § 2.2-4007.04.B).



Virginia Department of Planning and Budget **Economic Impact Analysis**

6 VAC 15-40 Minimum Standards for Jails and Lockups Department of Corrections

Town Hall Action/Stage: 5085 / 8334

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Summary of the Proposed Amendments to Regulation

Pursuant to Chapter 815 of the 2018 Acts of Assembly, the Board of Corrections (Board) proposes to specify in regulation that jails and lockups must provide feminine hygiene products to female inmates without charge.

Result of Analysis

The benefits exceed the costs for all proposed changes.

Estimated Economic Impact

Chapter 815 of the 2018 Acts of Assembly states that "The State Board of Corrections shall adopt and implement a standard to ensure the provision of feminine hygiene products to female inmates without charge." The Board proposes to specify in this regulation that "Feminine hygiene items (as defined by facility policy) shall be provided upon reasonable request to each female inmate without charge." Since this requirement is already part of the Code of Virginia, adding it to the regulation would have no impact beyond improving clarity for readers of the regulation.

Businesses and Entities Affected

The proposed amendment affects jails and lockups in the Commonwealth.

Localities Particularly Affected

The proposed amendment does not disproportionately affect particular localities.

Projected Impact on Employment

The proposed amendment does not affect employment.

Effects on the Use and Value of Private Property

The proposed amendment does not affect the use and value of private property.

Real Estate Development Costs

The proposed amendment does not affect real estate development costs.

Small Businesses:

Definition

Pursuant to § 2.2-4007.04 of the Code of Virginia, small business is defined as "a business entity, including its affiliates, that (i) is independently owned and operated and (ii) employs fewer than 500 full-time employees or has gross annual sales of less than \$6 million"

Costs and Other Effects

The proposed amendment does not affect costs for small businesses.

Alternative Method that Minimizes Adverse Impact

The proposed amendment does not adversely affect small businesses.

Adverse Impacts:

Businesses:

The proposed amendment does not adversely affect businesses.

Localities:

The proposed amendment does not adversely affect localities.

Other Entities:

The proposed amendment does not adversely affect other entities.

Legal Mandates

General: The Department of Planning and Budget has analyzed the economic impact of this proposed regulation in accordance with § 2.2-4007.04 of the Code of Virginia (Code) and Executive Order 14 (as amended, July 16, 2018). Code § 2.2-4007.04 requires that such economic impact analyses determine the public benefits and costs of the proposed amendments. Further the report should include but not be limited to: (1) the projected number of

businesses or other entities to whom the proposed regulatory action would apply, (2) the identity of any localities and types of businesses or other entities particularly affected, (3) the projected number of persons and employment positions to be affected, (4) the projected costs to affected businesses or entities to implement or comply with the regulation, and (5)the impact on the use and value of private property.

Adverse impacts: Pursuant to Code § 2.2-4007.04(C): In the event this economic impact analysis reveals that the proposed regulation would have an adverse economic impact on businesses or would impose a significant adverse economic impact on a locality, business, or entity particularly affected, the Department of Planning and Budget shall advise the Joint Commission on Administrative Rules, the House Committee on Appropriations, and the Senate Committee on Finance within the 45-day period.

If the proposed regulatory action may have an adverse effect on small businesses, Code § 2.2-4007.04 requires that such economic impact analyses include: (1) an identification and estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed regulation, (2) the projected reporting, recordkeeping, and other administrative costs required for small businesses to comply with the proposed regulation, including the type of professional skills necessary for preparing required reports and other documents, (3) a statement of the probable effect of the proposed regulation on affected small businesses, and (4) a description of any less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the proposed regulation. Additionally, pursuant to Code § 2.2-4007.1, if there is a finding that a proposed regulation may have an adverse impact on small business, the Joint Commission on Administrative Rules shall be notified.