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## MEMORANDUM

- TO: Col. Gary Settle, Superintendent Department of State Police
- FROM: Michael A. Jagels Senior Assistant Attorney General

DATE: July 1, 2019

SUBJECT: Regulation Relating to Motor Carrier Safety Regulations - 19 VAC 30-70.

In response to a request from the Department of State Police, I have reviewed the proposed amendments to the regulations to be set forth in 19 VAC 30-70 relating to Virginia Motor Vehicle Safety Inspection Rules and Regulations. The changes to the Regulations are to ensure the Regulations are consistent with controlling Virginia laws and to ensure the safety of Virginia families as they travel the highways throughout the Commonwealth. Upon review of the aforesaid amendments, I find them to be constitutional, consistent with the statutory authority conferred by § 52-8.4 of the Code of Virginia, and in conformity with existing statutory provisions. These change to the regulations are exempted from Article 2 of the Administrative Process Act.

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