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

23 VAC 10-310 Tax on Wills and Administration Department of Taxation Town Hall Action/Stage: 4650 / 7684 October 26, 2016

# Summary of the Proposed Amendments to Regulation

The Department of Taxation proposes several amendments to update references to sections of the Code of Virginia to reflect the recodification changes made by 2012 Acts of Assembly, Chapter 614.

# **Result of Analysis**

The benefits likely exceed the costs for all proposed changes.

# **Estimated Economic Impact**

The proposed updating of Code of Virginia references will not affect tax rates, rules and policies, but will be beneficial by increasing clarity and reducing potential confusion for readers of the regulation.

# **Businesses and Entities Affected**

The proposed amendments affect anyone who may potentially read the regulation. The regulation pertains to anyone who may have a will or may be the beneficiary of a will.

# **Localities Particularly Affected**

The proposed amendments do not disproportionately affect particular localities.

#### **Projected Impact on Employment**

The proposed amendments do not affect employment.

#### Effects on the Use and Value of Private Property

The proposed amendments do not affect the use and value of private property.

#### **Real Estate Development Costs**

The proposed amendments do 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 amendments do not significantly affect costs for small businesses.

#### Alternative Method that Minimizes Adverse Impact

The proposed amendments do not create adverse impact for small businesses.

#### Adverse Impacts:

#### **Businesses:**

The proposed amendments will not adversely affect businesses.

#### Localities:

The proposed amendments will not adversely affect localities.

#### **Other Entities:**

The proposed amendments will 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 Number 17 (2014). 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.

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