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## MEMORANDUM

- To: Trisha Henshaw Executive Director Common Interest Community Board
- From: Joshua E. Laws Assistant Attorney General

**Date:** October 10, 2019

Mark R. Herring

Attorney General

Subject:Letter of Assurance for Proposed Regulations – Proposed Amendments to Title 55<br/>Recodification — CIC Ombudsman Regulations found at 18 VAC 48-70

I have reviewed the Common Interest Community Board's Proposed Amendments to Title 55 Recodification — CIC Ombudsman Regulations found at 18 VAC 48-70 that were posted on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall on October 7, 2019. In my view, as counsel to the Common Interest Community Board, these regulations may be promulgated pursuant to Titles 54.1 and 55 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 appeal 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 <u>Code of Virginia</u> §§ 2.2-4006(A)(4) as the changes are "[n]ecessary to conform to changes in Virginia statutory law or the appropriation act where no agency discretion is involved." 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.