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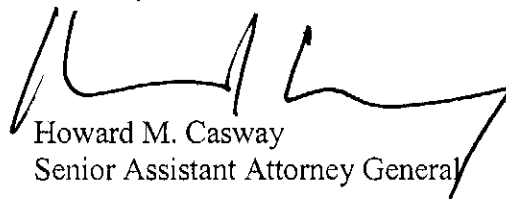
**Re: Proposed Regulations of the Virginia Department of Health
12 VAC 5-550**

Dear Ms. Rainey:

I have reviewed the Proposed Regulation of the Virginia Board of Health as exempt from the promulgation requirements pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-4006(4)(b) of Article 2 of the Virginia Administrative Process Act. The proposed regulation is constitutional and is in conformity with existing statutory provisions.

Having satisfied all legal requirements, you may proceed to take the necessary steps to publish these regulations in accordance with the requirements of the Administrative Process Act, Va. Code §§ 9-6.14:1 et seq. and Executive Order Number Thirteen.

Sincerely,



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Senior Assistant Attorney General