Office of Regulatory Management

Economic Review Form

Agency name	State Board of Social Services
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) Chapter citation(s)	22VAC40-131
VAC Chapter title(s)	Standards for Licensed Child-Placing Agency
Action title	Amend Licensed Child-Placing Agencies Regulation
Date this document prepared	October 19, 2022 Revised on October 13, 2023
Regulatory Stage (including Issuance of Guidance Documents)	Proposed (Action 5369/Stage 8732)

Cost Benefit Analysis

Complete Tables 1a and 1b for all regulatory actions. You do not need to complete Table 1c if the regulatory action is required by state statute or federal statute or regulation and leaves no discretion in its implementation.

Table 1a should provide analysis for the regulatory approach you are taking. Table 1b should provide analysis for the approach of leaving the current regulations intact (i.e., no further change is implemented). Table 1c should provide analysis for at least one alternative approach. You should not limit yourself to one alternative, however, and can add additional charts as needed.

Report both direct and indirect costs and benefits that can be monetized in Boxes 1 and 2. Report direct and indirect costs and benefits that cannot be monetized in Box 4. See the ORM Regulatory Economic Analysis Manual for additional guidance.

Table 1a: Costs and Benefits of the Proposed Changes (Primary Option)

(1) Direct & Indirect Costs & Benefits (Monetized)	Direct Costs: There are no anticipated monetizable direct costs with this proposed change. Indirect Costs: There are no anticipated monetizable indirect costs with this proposed change. Direct Benefits: There are no anticipated monetizable direct benefits with this change. Indirect Benefits: There are no anticipated monetizable indirect benefits with this change.	
(2) Present Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs	Direct & Indirect Benefits
	(a) $0	(b) $0
(3) Net Monetized Benefit	N/A	
(4) Other Costs & Benefits (Non-Monetized)	Reducing the maximum number of children in a foster or short-term foster home increases the foster parents' ability to address and provide services to the child. The foster parent will be able to give specialized attention for the child's educational, mental health, and socialization needs.	
(5) Information Sources		

Table 1b: Costs and Benefits under the Status Quo (No change to the regulation)

(1) Direct & Indirect Costs & Benefits (Monetized)	Direct Costs: There are no anticipated monetizable direct costs with this proposed change. Indirect Costs: Reducing the maximum number of children in a foster or short-term foster home is a federal law requirement. If Virginia does not make this change, Title IV-E funding is at risk. If Virginia is placed on a Performance Improvement Plan due to not complying with this federal requirement, the Virginia Title IV-E foster care program funds (currently $62.7 million) could be terminated. Direct Benefits: There are no anticipated monetizable direct benefits with this proposed change. Indirect Benefits: There are no anticipated monetizable indirect benefits with this proposed change.

(2) Present Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs	Direct & Indirect Benefits
	(a) $62.7 million	(b) $0
(3) Net Monetized Benefit	-$62.7 million	
(4) Other Costs & Benefits (Non-Monetized)	There are no new non-monetizable costs or benefits associated with maintaining the status quo.	
(5) Information Sources	Title IV-E - Virginia Department of Social Services	

Table 1c: Costs and Benefits under Alternative Approach(es)

(1) Direct & Indirect Costs & Benefits (Monetized)	Direct Costs: N/A (See note in box (5) below) Indirect Costs: N/A Direct Benefits: N/A Indirect Benefits: N/A	
(2) Present Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs	Direct & Indirect Benefits
	(a) N/A	(b) N/A
(3) Net Monetized Benefit	N/A	
(4) Other Costs & Benefits (Non-Monetized)	N/A	
(5) Information Sources	All regulation changes are technical or mandated by the Family First Prevention Services Act of 2018, Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act of 2014, or the Code of Virginia and there is no discretion in its implementation.	

<u>Impact on Local Partners</u>

Use this chart to describe impacts on local partners. See Part 8 of the ORM Cost Impact Analysis Guidance for additional guidance.

Table 2: Impact on Local Partners

(1) Direct & Indirect Costs & Benefits (Monetized)	Direct Costs: There are no monetizable direct costs with this proposed change. Indirect Costs: There are no monetizable indirect costs with this proposed change. Direct Benefits: There are no monetizable direct benefits with this proposed change. Indirect Benefits: There are no monetizable indirect benefits with this proposed change.	
(2) Present Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs	Direct & Indirect Benefits
	(a) $0	(b) $0
(3) Other Costs & Benefits (Non-Monetized)	There are no non-monetized cost and benefits.	
(4) Assistance	The DSS will continue to make available on the public agency website training options for normalcy/reasonable prudent parenting, mandated reporter, and shaken baby syndrome.	
(5) Information Sources	CWSE3030 Normalcy for Youth in Foster Care (virginia.gov) Mandated Reporters - Training & Resources - Virginia Department of Social Services Shaken Baby Syndrome - Virginia Department of Social Services	

Impacts on Families

Use this chart to describe impacts on families. See Part 8 of the ORM Cost Impact Analysis Guidance for additional guidance.

Table 3: Impact on Families

(1) Direct & Indirect Costs & Benefits (Monetized)	Direct Costs: There are no monetizable direct costs with this proposed change. Indirect Costs: There are no monetizable indirect costs with this proposed change. Direct Benefits: There are no monetizable direct benefits with this proposed change.

	Indirect Benefits: There are no monetizable indirect benefits with this proposed change.	
(2) Present Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs	Direct & Indirect Benefits
	(a) $0	(b) $0
(3) Other Costs & Benefits (Non-Monetized)	There are no non-monetized costs and benefits.	
(4) Information Sources		

Impacts on Small Businesses

Use this chart to describe impacts on small businesses. See Part 8 of the ORM Cost Impact Analysis Guidance for additional guidance.

Table 4: Impact on Small Businesses

(1) Direct & Indirect Costs & Benefits (Monetized)	Direct Costs: There are no anticipated direct costs with this proposed change. Indirect Costs: There are no anticipated indirect costs with this proposed change. Direct Benefits: There are no anticipated direct benefits with this proposed change. Indirect Benefits: There are no anticipated indirect benefits with this proposed change.	
(2) Present Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs	Direct & Indirect Benefits
	(a) $0	(b) $0
(3) Other Costs & Benefits (Non-Monetized)	This action modifies or eliminates foster or adoptive home and re-evaluation requirements such as to maintain a certain temperature in the home, maintain a clean and 'in good repair' home, rehearsal of the emergency preparedness plan with each child once every six months, and describe each child's adjustment to the family and home. These changes alleviate burdensome requirements for small businesses and to be consistent with the *Foster and Adoptive Home Approval Standards for Local Departments of Social Services,* 22VAC40-211	

(4) Alternatives	There are no alternatives to this proposed action as all regulation changes are technical or mandated by state and federal laws.
(5) Information Sources	Family First Prevention Services Act of 2018 and Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act of 2014

Changes to Number of Regulatory Requirements

Table 5: Regulatory Reduction

For each individual action, please fill out the appropriate chart to reflect any change in regulatory requirements, costs, regulatory stringency, or the overall length of any guidance documents.

Change in Regulatory Requirements

VAC Section(s) Involved*	Authority of Change	Initial Count	Additions	Subtractions	Net Change
20	**Statutory:**	**0**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**0**	0	0	0
40	**Statutory:**	**11**	3	0	3
	Discretionary:	**7**	0	0	0
80	**Statutory:**	**3**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**13**	0	0	0
90	**Statutory:**	**1**	2	0	2
	Discretionary:	**28**	0	0	0
140	**Statutory:**	**0**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**42**	0	0	0
150	**Statutory:**	**1**	1	0	1
	Discretionary:	**52**	0	-1	-1
160	**Statutory:**	**0**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**12**	0	0	0
165	**Statutory:**	**0-**new section	2	0	2
	Discretionary:	**0**	1	0	1
170	**Statutory:**	**2**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**18**	1	0	1
180	**Statutory:**	**2**	1	0	1
	Discretionary:	**40**	1	0	1
190	**Statutory:**	**0**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**39**	3	-3	0
200	**Statutory:**	**0**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**23**	0	0	0
210	**Statutory:**	**1**	4	0	4
	Discretionary:	**28**	0	0	0
220	**Statutory:**	**0**	4	0	4
	Discretionary:	**19**	0	0	0
230	**Statutory:**	**1**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**45**	1	-1	0
240	**Statutory:**	**0**	3	0	3
	Discretionary:	**12**	0	0	0
250	**Statutory:**	**15**	2	0	2
	Discretionary:	**48**	1	0	1

260	**Statutory:**	**0**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**25**	0	0	0
270	**Statutory:**	**9**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**9**	0	0	0
280	**Statutory:**	**3**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**21**	0	0	0
300	**Statutory:**	**1**	2	0	2
	Discretionary:	**4**	0	-1	-1
340	**Statutory:**	**2**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**32**	1	0	1
360	**Statutory:**	**0**	2	0	2
	Discretionary:	**15**	0	0	0
370	**Statutory:**	**4**	1	0	1
	Discretionary:	**91**	0	0	0
400	**Statutory:**	**5**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**2**	0	0	0
410	**Statutory:**	**0**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**1**	0	0	0
420	**Statutory:**	**0**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**5**	1	0	1
440	**Statutory:**	**3**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**85**	0	0	0
510	**Statutory:**	**1**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**4**	0	0	0
530	**Statutory:**	**2**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**6**	0	0	0
580	**Statutory:**	**4**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**20**	0	0	0
590	**Statutory:**	**1**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**31**	0	0	0
600	**Statutory:**	**5**	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**1**	0	0	0
620	**Statutory:**	**0**-new section	0	0	0
	Discretionary:	**0**	1	0	1
630	**Statutory:**	**0**-new section	1	0	1
	Discretionary:	**0**	3	0	3
640	**Statutory:**	**0**-new section	4	0	4
	Discretionary:	**0**	0	0	0
				Total Net Change of Statutory Requirements:	**32**
				Total Net Change of	**8**

Discretionary Requirements:	

Cost Reductions or Increases (if applicable)

VAC Section(s) Involved*	Description of Regulatory Requirement	Initial Cost	New Cost	Overall Cost Savings/Increases

Other Decreases or Increases in Regulatory Stringency (if applicable)

VAC Section(s) Involved*	Description of Regulatory Change	Overview of How It Reduces or Increases Regulatory Burden
260	A social history is no longer required when a child when placed in a respite care home.	Respite care is a temporary placement for a child and not requiring the social history reduces required documentation, which reduces regulatory burden on the licensee.

Length of Guidance Documents (only applicable if guidance document is being revised)

Title of Guidance Document	Original Length	New Length	Net Change in Length

*If the agency is modifying a guidance document that has regulatory requirements, it should report any change in requirements in the appropriate chart(s).