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Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Virginia Department of Education
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation(s)	8VAC-20-22-10 et seq.
Regulation title(s)	Licensure Regulations for School Personnel
Action title	Amend the <i>Licensure Regulations for School Personnel</i> (8VAC20-22-10 et seq.)
Final agency action date	The Virginia Department of Education is expected to take final action on the amendments on September 22, 2016.
Date this document prepared	July 11, 2016

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Brief summary

Please provide a brief summary of the proposed new regulation, proposed amendments to the existing regulation, or the regulation proposed to be repealed. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

The Virginia Board of Education is proposing amendments to these regulations that are needed to ensure that the regulations comport with legislative changes by the 2016 General Assembly.

House Bill 842

The 2016 Virginia General Assembly passed House Bill 842 that amended requirements for initial licensure and renewal. Every person seeking initial licensure or renewal of a license shall complete awareness training, provided by the Department of Education, on the indicators of dyslexia, as that term is defined by the Board pursuant to regulations, and the evidence-based interventions and accommodations for dyslexia. This requirement shall become effective on July 1, 2017.

Statement of final agency action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including: 1) the date the action was taken; 2) the name of the agency taking the action; and 3) the title of the regulation.

The action of the Board of Education amending the *Licensure Regulations for School Personnel* is anticipated on September 22, 2016.

Family impact

Please assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability including to what extent the regulatory action will: 1) strengthen or erode the authority and rights of parents in the education, nurturing, and supervision of their children; 2) encourage or discourage economic self-sufficiency, self-pride, and the assumption of responsibility for oneself, one's spouse, and one's children and/or elderly parents; 3) strengthen or erode the marital commitment; and 4) increase or decrease disposable family income.

The proposal would have no adverse impact on the family or on family stability.