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MEMORANDUM

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TO:	Jo Anne P. Maxwell Director, Governance and Legislative Affairs Division
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DATE:	July 14, 2020

SUBJECT: Repeal of the Department of Transportation Regulations regarding Solicitation and Use of VDOT Buildings and Grounds for Non-work Purposes, 24VAC30-17

At your request, I have reviewed VDOT's proposed repeal of the regulations entitled "Solicitation and Use of VDOT Buildings and Grounds for Non-work Purposes" (24VAC30-17), made after a periodic review pursuant to § 2.2-4007.1 of the *Code of Virginia* and Executive Order 14 (2018). This memorandum addresses legal matters only and is not intended as a comment for or against the merits of the proposed regulations.

Virginia Code § 33.2-210 provides that the Commonwealth Transportation Board has the power and duty to make regulations that are not in conflict with the laws of the Commonwealth for the protection of and covering traffic on and for the use of systems of state highways and shall have the authority to add to, amend, or repeal such regulations.

In my capacity as legal counsel for the Virginia Department of Transportation and the Commonwealth Transportation Board, it is my legal opinion that the Department and the Board have the authority to repeal the regulations. Further, The Office of the Attorney General has found that this regulation is exempt from the Administrative Process Act, Virginia Code § 2.2-4006(A)(2).