



Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

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| Agency name | State Board of Social Services |
| Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation | 22VAC40-185 |
| Regulation title | Standards for Licensed Child Day Centers |
| Action title | Transfer Licensed Child Day Standards to State Board of Social Services |
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Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

Current regulation 22VAC30-15, Standards for Licensed Child Day Centers, establishes minimum standard for licensed child day centers. The goals of this regulation are to protect children under the age of 13, who are separated from their parents during part of the day to receive out of home care in a child day center, by ensuring that the activities, services, and facilities are conducive to the well-being of children and to reduce risks in the environment of the centers.

In accordance with changes to the Code of Virginia, effective July 1, 2012, the Child Day Care Council (Council) was abolished. Per chapters 803 and 835 of the 2012 Acts of Assembly, regulations promulgated by the Council pursuant to §§ 63.2-1734 and 63.2-1735 shall be administered by the State Board of Social Services (Board) and remain in effect until the Board promulgates new regulations.

Amendments to this regulation change the regulation number from 22VAC15-30 to 22VAC40-185 to reflect the transfer of the regulation from Council to the Board. Amendments change the reference in the regulation from “Child Day Care Council” to State Board of Social Services.” In addition, references to 22VAC15-30 sections within the regulation are changed to the corresponding 22VAC40-185 section numbers.

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 State Board of Social Services took final action on 22VAC15-30, Standards for Licensed Child Day Centers, on August 16, 2012.

Family impact

Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.

This action has no impact on the institution of the family and family stability.