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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Leonard G. Cooke, Director  
Department of Criminal Justice Services

**FROM:** James Towey  
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**DATE:** October 2, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Authority to Amend Rules Relating to Compulsory Minimum Training Standards for Jailers or Custodial Officers, Courthouse and Courtroom Security Officers and Process Server Officers.

In response to a request from the Department of Criminal Justice Services, I have reviewed the proposed amendments to the regulations, set forth in 6 VAC 20-50-10 *et seq.*, relating to compulsory minimum training standards for jailers or custodial officers, courthouse and courtroom security officers and process server officers. Upon review of the aforesaid amendments, I find them to be constitutional, consistent with the statutory authority conferred by § 9.1-102(7), (8), and (9) of the Code of Virginia, and in conformity with existing statutory provisions.

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