



Economic Impact Analysis Virginia Department of Planning and Budget

9 VAC 20-120– Regulated Medical Waste Management Regulations
Department of Environmental Quality
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Summary of the Proposed Amendments to Regulation

The Virginia Waste Management Board (Board) proposes to repeal the requirement that transporters of regulated medical waste are required to register with the Department of Environmental Quality (Department).

Result of Analysis

The benefits likely exceed the costs for all proposed changes.

Estimated Economic Impact

Currently, transporters of regulated medical waste are required to register with the Department; this duplicates United States Department of Transportation registration requirements. Further, according to the Department state registration is unnecessary as the information can be obtained from the federal registration. Consequently, the proposed repeal of the state registration requirement will produce a net benefit since it will save transporters of regulated medical waste approximately 30 minutes of staff time without any impact on public health and safety.

Businesses and Entities Affected

The Department reports that there are approximately 207 registered regulated medical waste transporters. This proposed amendment will affect these firms.

Localities Particularly Affected

The proposed amendment does not disproportionately affect any particular localities.

Projected Impact on Employment

The proposed amendment will not significantly affect employment.

Effects on the Use and Value of Private Property

The proposed amendment will save transporters of regulated medical waste approximately 30 minutes of staff time.

Small Businesses: Costs and Other Effects

The proposed amendment will save small transporters of regulated medical waste approximately 30 minutes of staff time.

Small Businesses: Alternative Method that Minimizes Adverse Impact

The proposed amendment does not adversely affect small businesses.

Real Estate Development Costs

The proposed amendment will not significantly affect real estate development costs.

Legal Mandate

The Department of Planning and Budget (DPB) has analyzed the economic impact of this proposed regulation in accordance with Section 2.2-4007.04 of the Administrative Process Act and Executive Order Number 14 (10). Section 2.2-4007.04 requires that such economic impact analyses include, but need not be limited to, a determination of the public benefit, the projected number of businesses or other entities to whom the regulation would apply, the identity of any localities and types of businesses or other entities particularly affected, the projected number of persons and employment positions to be affected, the projected costs to affected businesses or entities to implement or comply with the regulation, and the impact on the use and value of private property. Further, if the proposed regulation has an adverse effect on small businesses, Section 2.2-4007.04 requires that such economic impact analyses include (i) an identification and estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the regulation; (ii) the projected reporting, recordkeeping, and other administrative costs required for small businesses to comply with the regulation, including the type of professional skills necessary for preparing required reports and other documents; (iii) a statement of the probable effect of the regulation on affected small businesses; and (iv) a description of any less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of

achieving the purpose of the regulation. The analysis presented above represents DPB's best estimate of these economic impacts.