



## **Economic Impact Analysis Virginia Department of Planning and Budget**

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**22 VAC 15-51 – Background Checks for Licensed Child Day Centers**  
**Department of Social Services**  
December 13, 2013

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### **Summary of the Proposed Amendments to Regulation**

The State Board of Social Services (Board) proposes to repeal this regulation.

### **Result of Analysis**

The benefits likely exceed the costs for all proposed changes.

### **Estimated Economic Impact**

The Child Day-Care Council (Council) adopted this regulation governing background checks for licensed child day centers in June 2004. Chapter 835 of the 2012 Acts of Assembly eliminated the Child Day-Care Council and assigned responsibility for regulating child day programs to the Board. Subsequently, background checks for licensed child day centers were incorporated into the Boards' comprehensive background checks regulation, 22VAC40-191. Consequently, this regulation has become obsolete. Repealing this regulation would be beneficial in that it would help eliminate potential confusion by readers.

### **Businesses and Entities Affected**

There are 2570 licensed child day centers in the Commonwealth, most of which are small businesses.<sup>1</sup> The proposed repeal of this regulation will not directly affect child day centers or any other any business or entity beyond eliminating potential confusion.

### **Localities Particularly Affected**

The proposed repeal does not disproportionately affect particular localities.

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<sup>1</sup> Source: Department of Social Services

## **Projected Impact on Employment**

The proposed repeal will not affect employment.

## **Effects on the Use and Value of Private Property**

The proposed repeal will not significantly affect the use and value of private property.

## **Small Businesses: Costs and Other Effects**

The proposed repeal will not significantly affect costs for small businesses.

## **Small Businesses: Alternative Method that Minimizes Adverse Impact**

The proposed repeal does not adversely affect small businesses.

## **Real Estate Development Costs**

The proposed repeal does not 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.