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Subject: Statement of Legal Authority for proposed amendments to Rules and Regulations Governing the Prevention, Control and Eradication of Brucellosis of Cattle in Virginia (2 VAC 5-50)

I have reviewed the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' proposed amendments to the Rules and Regulations Governing the Prevention, Control and Eradication of Brucellosis of Cattle in Virginia (2 VAC 5-50). In my view, as counsel to the Commissioner and the Department, the regulations and amendments thereto may be promulgated pursuant to authority granted by §§ 3.1-724, 3.1-726, 3.1-730 and 2.2-4012.1 of the *Code of Virginia*.

This memorandum addresses legal matters only and is not intended to serve, nor should it be construed, as a comment for or against the merits, or public policy implications, of the proposed regulations.

