

## **COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA**

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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Steven W. Sturgis

President

Board of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Sandra J. Adams Commissioner

Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

**From:** James M. Flaherty

Assistant Attorney General

**Date:** October 3, 2014

**Subject:** Letter of Assurance - Periodic Review of 2VAC5-50

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 17 (2014), I have conducted a periodic review of the Board of Agriculture and Consumer Services' regulations, in particular Chapter 50, 2VAC5-50-10 through 2VAC5-50-110: Rules and Regulations Governing the Prevention, Control and Eradication of Brucellosis of Cattle in Virginia. In my view, as counsel to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Board may promulgate these regulations pursuant to §§ 3.2-6001, 3.2-6002, and 3.2-6004 of the *Code of Virginia*. The regulations do not appear, on their face, to conflict with the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Virginia, nor do they appear to conflict with federal or state law currently in effect.

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 of the proposed regulations.