



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

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**11 VAC 5-31; 41 – Licensing Regulations; Lottery Game Regulations**  
**Virginia Lottery**  
May 1, 2015

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

The Virginia Lottery Board proposes to update regulatory terminology to be consistent with the terminology used in practice and in the game rules, promotions, and the agency website.

### **Result of Analysis**

The benefits likely exceed the costs for all proposed changes.

### **Estimated Economic Impact**

The Virginia Lottery Board proposes to update regulatory terminology to be consistent with the terminology used in practice and in the game rules, promotions, and the agency website. According to Virginia Lottery, none of the proposed terminology changes will have substantive effect in practice. Thus, no significant economic effect is expected from the proposed changes other than improving the consistency among the game rules, promotions, and the agency website.

### **Businesses and Entities Affected**

These regulations apply to 5,100 licensed retailers. Additionally, there are approximately 2.1 million adults who play lottery in a given month.

### **Localities Particularly Affected**

The proposed regulations apply throughout the Commonwealth.

### **Projected Impact on Employment**

No effect on employment is expected.

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

No effect on the use and value of private property is expected.

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

The proposed amendments do not create cost and other effects on small businesses.

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

The proposed amendments do not create adverse impact on small businesses.

## **Real Estate Development Costs**

No effect on real estate development costs is expected.

## **Legal Mandate**

**General:** The Department of Planning and Budget (DPB) has analyzed the economic impact of this proposed regulation in accordance with § 2.2-4007.04 of the Code of Virginia and Executive Order Number 17 (2014). Section 2.2-4007.04 requires that such economic impact analyses determine the public benefits and costs of the proposed amendments. Further the report should include but not be limited to:

- the projected number of businesses or other entities to whom the proposed 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.

**Small Businesses:** If the proposed regulation will have an adverse effect on small businesses, § 2.2-4007.04 requires that such economic impact analyses include:

- an identification and estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed regulation,
- the projected reporting, recordkeeping, and other administrative costs required for small businesses to comply with the proposed regulation, including the type of professional skills necessary for preparing required reports and other documents,
- a statement of the probable effect of the proposed regulation on affected small businesses, and
- a description of any less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the proposed regulation.

Additionally, pursuant to § 2.2-4007.1, if there is a finding that a proposed regulation may have an adverse impact on small business, the Joint Commission on Administrative Rules (JCAR) is notified at the time the proposed regulation is submitted to the *Virginia Register of Regulations* for publication. This analysis shall represent DPB's best estimate for the purposes of public review and comment on the proposed regulation.

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