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# Virginia Regulatory Town Hall

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## Exempt Action Proposed Regulation Agency Background Document

<b>Agency name</b>	State Board of Elections
<b>Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation</b>	1 VAC 20-50-20 & 1 VAC 20-60-20
<b>Regulation title</b>	Material Omissions from candidate petitions and petition signature requirements & Material omissions from referendum petitions and petition signature requirements
<b>Action title</b>	Incorporate statutory requirements into petitions regulations
<b>Document preparation date</b>	6.27.2013

When a regulatory action is exempt from executive branch review pursuant to § 2.2-4002 or § 2.2-4006 of the Administrative Process Act (APA), the agency is encouraged to provide information to the public on the Regulatory Town Hall using this form.

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### Summary

*Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.*

The General Assembly passed and the Governor signed legislation requiring the Board to establish procedures for appealing the decision of the State Board or a local electoral board to not certify a candidate due to lacking a sufficient number of signatures. Additionally, new provisions determining what signatures must be counted were included in this language. The proposed regulation establishes uniform standards for determining when a signature is valid.

### Statement of final agency action

*Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.*

The State Board Elections at its meeting on June 25, 2013, approved the amendment to the regulations titled Material Omissions on Candidate Petitions, 1 VAC 20-50-20, and Material Omissions on Referendum Petitions, 1 VAC 20-60-20.

## Family impact

*Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.*

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None.