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MEMORANDUM

TO: Col. Gary Settle, Superintendent  
Department of State Police

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DATE: June 25, 2020

SUBJECT: Regulations Governing Purchases of Handguns within a 30-Day Period—19 VAC 30-101.

In response to a request from the Department of State Police, I have reviewed the proposed amendments to the regulations to be set forth in 19 VAC 30-101 relating to Purchases of Handguns within a 30-Day Period. Upon review of the aforesaid amendments, I find them to be consistent with the statutory authority conferred by § 18.2-308.2:2 of the Code of Virginia, as created by Chapter 991, Acts of Assembly (2020 Regular Session). The changes to the regulations are exempted from provisions of the Administrative Process Act, pursuant to § 2.2-4002 (B)(6), because they involve police functions.

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