## Agency Response to Department of Planning and Budget's Economic Impact Analysis

18 VAC 41-50 – Tattooing Regulations Board for Barbers and Cosmetology

Tattooers and tattoo parlors are currently licensed. On July 1, 2004, §§ 54.1-703 and 54.1-704.1 of the *Code of Virginia*, requiring license for tattooing and tattoo parlors, and Emergency Tattooing Regulations went into effect. Tattooers and tattoo parlors are currently licensed in accordance with statutes and emergency regulations.

Tattooing Regulations are not introducing required licensure. Chapter 869 of the 2002 Acts of the Assembly mandated a separate licensing category for tattooing practitioners as well as the parlors where these services are provided under the Board for Barbers and Cosmetology. These statutes are found in Title 54.1, Chapter 7 of the *Code of Virginia* and went into effect on July 1, 2004. The proposed regulatory action to promulgate regulations governing the licensure and practice of tattooing under the Board for Barbers and Cosmetology is mandated by Chapter 869 of the 2002 Acts of the Assembly.