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Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	State Board of Elections
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	1VAC20-60-20
Regulation title	Material omissions on referendum petitions
Action title	Amends Board regulation defining when referendum petitions have omitted material terms.
Final agency action date	5/24/2012, effective when precleared
Document preparation date	5/30/2012

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

Note: While posting this form on the Town Hall is optional, the agency must comply with requirements of the Virginia Register Act, Executive Orders 14 (2010) and 58 (1999), and the *Virginia Register Form, Style, and Procedure Manual*.

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.

This action amends an existing regulation defining when a referendum petition contains a material omission.

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 March 20, 2012 voted to post proposed amendments to the regulation titled "Material omissions on referendum petitions." The proposed amendments were posted

on the Regulatory Town Hall but additional amendments were proposed. On May 24, 2012, the State Board of Elections approved the amendments and directed that the amended regulation be submitted for preclearance as required by § 5 of the Voting Rights Act before the regulation takes effect.

Family impact

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

None.