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MEMORANDUM

TO: Arne Owens
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DATE: March 20, 2024

SUBJECT: *Regulations Governing the Practice of Dentistry; Regulations Governing the Practice of Dental Hygiene; Regulations Governing the Practice of Dental Assistants*
18VAC60-21; 18VAC60-25; 18VAC60-30

I have reviewed the proposed amendments to the *Regulations Governing the Practice of Dentistry*, 18VAC60-21, the *Regulations Governing the Practice of Dental Hygiene*, 18VAC60-25, and the *Regulations Governing the Practice of Dental Assistants*, 18VAC60-30, as adopted by the Board of Dentistry on December 2, 2022. The Board has the authority to adopt these regulations under Va. Code § 54.1-2400. The regulations are not expected to be controversial and are therefore appropriate for the fast-track rule making process pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-4012.1. The proposed amendments are constitutional and do not conflict with existing federal or state laws or regulations.