



Economic Impact Analysis Virginia Department of Planning and Budget

**18 VAC 90-15 – Regulations Governing Delegation to an Agency Subordinate
Department of Health Professions
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Summary of the Proposed Amendments to Regulation

The Board of Nursing (Board) proposes to amend its regulations that set the rules for delegation to an agency subordinate by adding the executive director of the Board as an entity that has the power to delegate.

Result of Analysis

Benefits likely outweigh costs for these proposed regulations.

Estimated Economic Impact

Current regulations state that cases that involve serious injury or harm to a patient may not be delegated to an agency subordinate except when such delegation is approved by the president of the Board. The Board proposes to add the executive director of the Board as a second entity that can approve delegation. No entity is likely to incur any costs on account of this regulatory change. To the extent that this change allows disciplinary cases to be resolved more quickly, both regulated entities and individuals who have filed complaints will likely benefit.

Businesses and Entities Affected

The Department of Health Professions (DHP) reports that there are no good estimates of how many entities will be affected by this proposed change.

Localities Particularly Affected

No localities will be particularly affected by these proposed regulations.

Projected Impact on Employment

This proposed regulatory action is unlikely to have any effect on employment in the Commonwealth.

Effects on the Use and Value of Private Property

These proposed regulatory changes are unlikely to affect the use or value of private property in the Commonwealth.

Small Businesses: Costs and Other Effects

No small business is likely to incur costs on account of this proposed change.

Small Businesses: Alternative Method that Minimizes Adverse Impact

No small business is likely to incur costs on account of this proposed change.

Real Estate Development Costs

This regulatory action will likely have no effect on real estate development costs in the Commonwealth.

Legal Mandate

The Department of Planning and Budget (DPB) has analyzed the economic impact of this proposed regulation in accordance with Section 2.2-4007.H of the Administrative Process Act and Executive Order Number 14 (10). Section 2.2-4007.H requires that such economic impact analyses include, but need not be limited to, the projected number of businesses or other entities to whom the regulation would apply, the identity of any localities and types of businesses or other entities particularly affected, the projected number of persons and employment positions to be affected, the projected costs to affected businesses or entities to implement or comply with the regulation, and the impact on the use and value of private property. Further, if the proposed regulation has adverse effect on small businesses, Section 2.2-4007.H requires that such economic impact analyses include (i) an identification and estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the regulation; (ii) the projected reporting, recordkeeping, and other administrative costs required for small businesses to comply with the regulation, including the type of professional skills necessary for preparing required reports and other documents; (iii) a statement of the probable effect of the regulation on affected small businesses; and (iv) a

description of any less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the regulation. The analysis presented above represents DPB's best estimate of these economic impacts.