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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Dr. David E. Brown

Director

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**FROM:** Charis A. Mitchell

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**DATE:** April 7, 2017

**SUBJECT:** Regulations Governing the Licensure of Nurse Practitioners

Regulations for Prescriptive Authority for Nurse Practitioners

18 VAC 90-30-50 18 VAC 90-40-70

I have reviewed the proposed amendments to the *Regulations Governing the Licensure of Nurse Practitioners* and the *Regulations for Prescriptive Authority for Nurse Practitioners*, 18 VAC 90-30-50 and 18 VAC 90-40-70, that were adopted by the Virginia Board of Nursing on January 24, 2017, and the Virginia Board of Medicine on April 7, 2017. This action is exempt from the operation of the Administrative Process Act and review by the Executive Branch under § 2.2-4006(A)(6), as it is limited to reducing fees charged to regulants. The Boards have the authority to adopt these regulations under Virginia Code § 54.1-2957. The proposed amendments are constitutional and do not conflict with existing federal or state laws or regulations.