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RE: Division of Child Support Enforcement 2018 Regulatory Proposal

22VAC40-880-240

Administrative Deviation from the Child Support Guideline

Dear Ms. Clark:

I have reviewed the above-referenced fast track regulatory action, which provides for amendment to the current administrative deviation from the child support guideline regulation found at 22VAC40-880-240.

Virginia Code § 63.2-217 mandates that the State Board promulgate "regulations as may be necessary or desirable to carry out the purpose of this title." It appears the State Board has the authority to amend 22VAC40-880-240, as proposed, subject to compliance with the provisions of Article 2 of the Administrative Process Act, and has not exceeded its authority.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 540-776-2778.

Very truly yours,

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