

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Karin Clark

Virginia Department of Social Services

**FROM:** Jennifer C. Williamson

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**DATE:** May 23, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Periodic Review of Background Checks for Child Welfare Agencies Regulations;

22VAC40-191

In accordance with Virginia Code § 2.2-4017, I have reviewed the Background Checks for Child Welfare Agencies Regulations, 22VAC40-191, for the Board of Social Services. These regulations are undergoing periodic review. In my opinion, the Board of Social Services had the authority under Virginia Code §§ 63.2-217 and 63.2-1734 to adopt the current regulations and the Board has the authority to retain, amend or repeal the regulations under Virginia Code §§ 63.2-217, 63.2-1721, 63.2-1723 and 63.2-1734.