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MEMORANDUM

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FROM: James E. Rutkowski
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DATE: September 2, 2026

SUBJECT: *Regulations Governing the Practice of Social Work*
18VAC140-20

I have reviewed the proposed amendments to the *Regulations Governing the Practice of Social Work*, 18VAC140-20, which were adopted by the Board of Social Work on July 10, 2026. The Board has the authority to adopt this regulation under 146 of the 2025 Acts of Assembly and Virginia Code § 54.1-2400. The proposed amendments are constitutional and do not conflict with existing federal or state laws or regulations.