



Economic Impact Analysis Virginia Department of Planning and Budget

19 VAC 30-40– Standards and Specifications for the Stickers or Decals Used by Cities, Counties, and Towns in Lieu of License Plates Department of State Police June 22, 2000

The Department of Planning and Budget (DPB) has analyzed the economic impact of this proposed regulation in accordance with Section 9-6.14:7.1.G of the Administrative Process Act and Executive Order Number 25 (98). Section 9-6.14:7.1.G 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. The analysis presented below represents DPB's best estimate of these economic impacts.

Summary of the Proposed Regulation

The Department of State Police (department) proposes to amend the language in these regulations concerning the placement of stickers or decals used by cities, counties, and towns in lieu of license plates.

Estimated Economic Impact

The stickers or decals in question are used, for example, to indicate payment of the local car tax. Current language does not permit the top edge of the sticker or decal to be more than three inches from the bottom of the windshield. For some newer models of motor vehicles that have windshields with steep angles, both placing and viewing the sticker or decal is difficult when it is restricted to having the top edge no more than three inches from the bottom of the windshield. The proposed regulations remove this restriction. Since the removal of the restriction may make it easier to apply and view stickers and decals for some vehicles, and there

is no known cost associated with the proposed language, implementation of the new language will likely produce a net benefit for the Commonwealth.

Businesses and Entities Affected

The proposed regulations apply to all 6,200,601 registered motor vehicles in all localities in the Commonwealth.¹

Localities Particularly Affected

The proposed regulations apply to localities throughout the Commonwealth.

Projected Impact on Employment

The proposed changes in language are unlikely to affect employment.

Effects on the Use and Value of Private Property

The proposed changes in language affect where stickers or decals are placed on privately owned vehicles, but should not affect their value.

¹ Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles 6/22/00 estimate of registered vehicles for calendar year 2000.