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From: James M. Flaherty
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Subject: Letter of Assurance for Amended Regulation - amendments to Standards of Professional Practice found at 18 VAC 130-20-180.

I have reviewed the Real Estate Appraiser Board's amendments to Standards of Professional Practice found at 18 VAC 130-20-180 that were posted on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall on May 23, 2026. In my view, as counsel to the Real Estate Appraiser Board, the Board has the authority to promulgate these amended regulations pursuant to §54.1-2013 of the Code of Virginia. These regulations do not appear to conflict with the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Virginia, nor do they appear to conflict with any federal or state law currently in effect. The regulations also appear to be exempt from the rulemaking process under § 2.2-4006(A)(4)(c) of the Code of Virginia. This memorandum addresses legal matters only and is not intended to serve, nor should it be construed, as a comment for or against the merits of the amended regulations.
