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Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Virginia Department of Labor and Industry/Safety and Health Codes Board
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Action title	Corrections to Vehicle-Mounted Elevating and Rotating Work Platforms, §1910.67, and Logging Operations, §1910.266
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Brief summary

Please provide a brief summary of the proposed new regulation, proposed amendments to the existing regulation, or the regulation proposed to be repealed. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

Federal OSHA has corrected non-substantive typographical errors in its standards for Vehicle-Mounted Elevating and Rotating Work Platforms, §1910.67, and Logging Operations, §1910.266. The first typographical error corrected was in the title of a national consensus standards organization referenced in §1910.67(c)(5), which states that all welding done on vehicle-mounted elevating and rotating work platforms must conform to Automotive Welding Society Standards incorporated by reference in §1910.6. However, as §1910.6(i) specifies, the correct title of the organization is the American Welding Society Standards. In §1910.67(c)(5), federal OSHA replaced "Automotive" with "American". The second typographical error was in a reference in the Logging Operations Standard to another federal OSHA standard. Specifically, §1910.266(d)(1)(iv), which was adopted by the Safety and Health Codes Board on December 19, 1994. This subparagraph, which establishes personal-protective-equipment requirements when logging employees operate chain saws, states that the requirement does not apply to employees who operate chain saws from a vehicle-mounted elevating and rotating work platform that meets the requirements of §1910.68. However, §1910.67, not §1910.68 (Manlifts), addresses vehicle-mounted elevating and rotating work platforms. Therefore, in §1910.266(d)(1)(iv), federal OSHA inserted "§1910.67" and removed "§1910.68".

Statement of final agency action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including: 1) the date the action was taken; 2) the name of the agency taking the action; and 3) the title of the regulation.

On December 11, 2014, the Safety and Health Codes Board adopted federal OSHA's Corrections to the Standards for Vehicle-Mounted Elevating and Rotating Work Platforms, §1910.67, and Logging Operations, §1910.266, as published in 79 FR 37189 on July 1, 2014, with an effective date of March 15, 2015.

Family impact

Please assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability including to what extent the regulatory action will: 1) strengthen or erode the authority and rights of parents in the education, nurturing, and supervision of their children; 2) encourage or discourage economic self-sufficiency, self-pride, and the assumption of responsibility for oneself, one's spouse, and one's children and/or elderly parents; 3) strengthen or erode the marital commitment; and 4) increase or decrease disposable family income.

The corrections to these two standards will have no impact on the institution of the family and family stability.

Vehicle-Mounted Elevating and Rotating Work Platforms, §1910.67, and Logging Operations; §1910.266; Corrections

As Adopted by the

Safety and Health Codes Board

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When the regulations, as set forth in the Correcting Amendments to standards for Vehicle-Mounted Elevating and Rotating Work Platforms, §1910.67, and Logging Operations, §1910.266, are applied to the Commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry and/or to Virginia employers, the following federal terms shall be considered to read as below:

<u>Federal Terms</u>	VOSH Equivalent
29 CFR	VOSH Standard
Assistant Secretary	Commissioner of Labor and Industry
Agency	Department
July 1, 2014	February 15, 2015

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■ 2. In § 1910.67, revise paragraph (c)(5) to read as follows:

§ 1910.67 Vehicle-mounted elevating and rotating work platforms.

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(c) * * *

(5) "Welding standards." All welding shall conform to the following American Welding Society (AWS) Standards which are incorporated by reference as specified in § 1910.6, as applicable:

Subpart R-[Amended]

■ 3. Revise the authority citation for subpart R to read as follows:

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Authority: 29 U.S.C. 653, 655, 657;} \\ \text{Secretary of Labor's Order Nos. 12–71 (36 FR 8754), 8–76 (41 FR 25059), 9–83 (48 FR 35736), 1–90 (55 FR 9033), 6–96 (62 FR 111), 3–2000 (65 FR 50017), 5–2007 (72 FR 31160), 4–2010 (75 FR 55355), or 1–2012 (77 FR 3912), as applicable; and 29 CFR part 1911. \end{array}$

■ 4. In § 1910.266, revise paragraph (d)(1)(iv) to read as follows:

§ 1910.266 Logging Operations.

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- (d) * * *
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(iv) The employer shall provide, at no cost to the employee, and assure that each employee who operates a chain saw wears leg protection constructed with cut-resistant material, such as ballistic nylon. The leg protection shall cover the full length of the thigh to the top of the boot on each leg to protect against contact with a moving chain saw. Exception: This requirement does not apply when an employee is working as a climber if the employer demonstrates that a greater hazard is posed by wearing leg protection in the particular situation, or when an employee is working from a vehicular mounted elevating and rotating work platform meeting the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.67.

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