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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Jim Chapman, Director  
Office of Board Relations  
Virginia Department of Education

**From:** J.C. LaRiviere  
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**Date:** August 26, 2025

**Re:** Periodic Review of *Regulations Governing the Designation of School Divisions of Innovation* [8 VAC20-760] (Review 2553)

Consistent with the provisions of § 2.2-4017 of the *Code of Virginia* and Executive Order 19 (2022) and the procedures for the Office of Regulatory Management required by Executive Order 19, I have reviewed the above-referenced regulatory action to ensure general statutory authority to promulgate the regulation and to identify any specific authority for the regulation under periodic review.

Pursuant to § 22.1-16 of the *Code of Virginia*, the Board of Education has authority to promulgate regulations to carry out its statutory powers and duties. It is my view that the Board has general statutory authority to promulgate this regulation.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the address above, by telephone at (804) 371-0667 or by electronic mail at [JLaRiviere@oag.state.va.us](mailto:JLaRiviere@oag.state.va.us).