

Adverse impact notification sent to Joint Commission on Administrative Rules, House Committee on Appropriations, and Senate Committee on Finance (COV § 2.2-4007.04.C): Yes Not Needed

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Virginia Department of Planning and Budget **Economic Impact Analysis**

18 VAC 60-20 Regulations Governing Dental Practice
Department of Health Professions
Town Hall Action/Stage: 4387/7262
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Summary of the Proposed Amendments to Regulation

Pursuant to a petition for rulemaking, the Board of Dentistry (Board) proposes to recognize dental and dental hygiene programs accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada as meeting the education requirements for licensure in Virginia.

Result of Analysis

The benefits likely exceed the costs for this proposed change.

Estimated Economic Impact

Currently, this regulation requires that applicants for licensure hold a diploma or certificate from a dental program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association (ADA). The Board proposes to also recognize diplomas and certifications from dental and dental hygiene programs accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada as their accreditation requirements (and education programs they approve) are essentially equivalent to those approved by the ADA. Recognition of Canadian dental programs will benefit future applicants for licensure as this will add to the number of approved programs that aspiring dental professionals may choose from. This change will also allow individuals who have already gotten degrees or certifications from programs accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada to gain licensure and work in Virginia

without having to complete additional costly education. No entities are likely to incur additional costs on account of this regulatory change.

Businesses and Entities Affected

This proposed change will affect all individuals who have received, or will receive, their dental or dental hygiene education from a program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada and who want to be licensed in Virginia.

Localities Particularly Affected

This proposed change will not particularly affect any locality in the Commonwealth.

Projected Impact on Employment

This proposed change may increase the number of dentists and dental hygienists who meet the requirements for licensure in the Commonwealth.

Effects on the Use and Value of Private Property

This proposed change will likely have no impact on the use or value of private property.

Real Estate Development Costs

This proposed change will likely not affect real estate development costs.

Small Businesses:

Definition

Pursuant to § 2.2-4007.04 of the Code of Virginia, small business is defined as “a business entity, including its affiliates, that (i) is independently owned and operated and (ii) employs fewer than 500 full-time employees or has gross annual sales of less than \$6 million.”

Costs and Other Effects

No small businesses will incur costs on account of this regulatory change.

Alternative Method that Minimizes Adverse Impact

No small businesses will incur costs on account of this regulatory change.

Adverse Impacts:

Businesses:

This proposed change is unlikely to adversely impact any business in the Commonwealth.

Localities:

This proposed change is unlikely to adversely impact localities.

Other Entities:

This proposed change is unlikely to adversely impact any other entities in the Commonwealth.

Legal Mandates

General: The Department of Planning and Budget has analyzed the economic impact of this proposed regulation in accordance with § 2.2-4007.04 of the Code of Virginia (Code) and Executive Order Number 17 (2014). Code § 2.2-4007.04 requires that such economic impact analyses determine the public benefits and costs of the proposed amendments. Further the report should include but not be limited to: (1) the projected number of businesses or other entities to whom the proposed regulatory action would apply, (2) the identity of any localities and types of businesses or other entities particularly affected, (3) the projected number of persons and employment positions to be affected, (4) the projected costs to affected businesses or entities to implement or comply with the regulation, and (5) the impact on the use and value of private property.

Adverse impacts: Pursuant to Code § 2.2-4007.04(C): In the event this economic impact analysis reveals that the proposed regulation would have an adverse economic impact on businesses or would impose a significant adverse economic impact on a locality, business, or entity particularly affected, the Department of Planning and Budget shall advise the Joint Commission on Administrative Rules, the House Committee on Appropriations, and the Senate Committee on Finance within the 45-day period.

If the proposed regulatory action may have an adverse effect on small businesses, Code § 2.2-4007.04 requires that such economic impact analyses include: (1) an identification and estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed regulation, (2) the projected reporting, recordkeeping, and other administrative costs required for small businesses to comply with the proposed regulation, including the type of professional skills necessary for preparing required reports and other documents, (3) a statement of the probable effect of the proposed regulation on affected small businesses, and (4) a description of any less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the proposed regulation. Additionally, pursuant to Code § 2.2-4007.1, if there is a finding that a proposed regulation may have an adverse impact on small business, the Joint Commission on Administrative Rules shall be notified.

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