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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Dr. David Brown  
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**FROM:** James E. Rutkowski  
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**DATE:** March 29, 2022

**SUBJECT:** *Regulations Governing the Practice of Social Work*  
18VAC140-20

I have reviewed the amendment to the *Regulations Governing the Practice of Social Work*, 18VAC140-20, as adopted by the Board of Social Work on March 4, 2022. The Board has the statutory authority to adopt the amendment under Virginia Code § 54.1-2400. The amendment is promulgated pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-4012.1 because the amendment is expected to be noncontroversial. The proposed amendment is constitutional and does not conflict with existing federal or state laws or regulations.