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## **MEMORANDUM**

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**From:** Eric A. Gregory  
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**Date:** February 4, 2008

**Subject:** Statement of Legal Authority for proposed amendments to the Rules and Regulations Governing the Transportation of Companion Animals (2 VAC 5-150)

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I have reviewed the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' proposed amendment to the Rules and Regulations Governing the Transportation of Companion Animals (2 VAC 5-150). In my view, as counsel to the Commissioner, the Department, and the Board, the regulations and amendment thereto may be promulgated pursuant to authority granted by §§ 3.1-796.67 and 2.2-4012.1 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, or public policy implications, of the proposed regulations.

