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# Periodic Review / Retain Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Department of Corrections
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	6 VAC15-11
Regulation title	Public Participation Guidelines
Document preparation date	November 26, 2012

This form is used when the agency has done a periodic review of a regulation and plans to retain the regulation without change. This information is required pursuant to Executive Orders 14 (2010) and 58 (1999).

# Legal basis

Under §2.2-4007.02 of the Code of Virginia, every rulemaking body in Virginia is required to adopt public participation guidelines and to use these guidelines in the development of its regulations. Code of Virginia §53.1-5 gives the Board of Corrections authority to promulgate regulations related to the Department of Corrections.

#### Alternatives

No alternatives are available as this regulation is required by statute and is based on a model regulation provided for the purpose.

### Public comment

A notice of Periodic Review was published in the Virginia Register of Regulations on 10/22/12. The comment period ended 11/21/12 with no comments received.

#### Effectiveness

6 VAC15-11, Public Participation Guidelines, meets the criteria set out in Executive Order 14 (2010), e.g., is necessary for the protection of public health, safety, and welfare, and is clearly written and easily understandable.

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## Result

The Department of Corrections is recommending that the regulation should stay in effect without change.

# Small business impact

The substance of this regulation will not have a direct impact on small businesses. This regulation ensures that interested entities have the opportunity to review and comment on regulations being considered by the Virginia Board of Corrections.

# Family impact

The substance of this regulation will not have a direct impact on families or family stability. This regulation ensures that interested entities have the opportunity to review and comment on regulations being considered by the Virginia Board of Corrections.