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Fast Track Amendments to First Level Appeals and Commission Review

I have reviewed the Virginia Employment Commission's amendments to the First Level Appeals and Commission Review regulations. In my view, as counsel to the Virginia Employment Commission, the Commission may promulgate these regulations pursuant to \$60.2-111 of the Code of Virginia. This amendment is further appropriate for the fast-track process as the amendment is eliminating unnecessary regulations. The regulations do not appear to conflict with the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Virginia, nor do they appear to conflict with any federal or state law currently in effect. 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 of the proposed regulations.