Office of Regulatory Management

Economic Review Form

Agency name	Board of Pharmacy
Virginia Administrative	18VAC110-20
Code (VAC) Chapter	
citation(s)	
VAC Chapter title(s)	Regulations Governing the Practice of Pharmacy
Action title	March 2023 scheduling and de-scheduling of drugs and chemicals pursuant to federal scheduling actions July 7, 2022 – February 3, 2023
Date this document prepared	4/18/2023
Regulatory Stage (including Issuance of Guidance Documents)	Exempt

Cost Benefit Analysis

Complete Tables 1a and 1b for all regulatory actions. You do not need to complete Table 1c if the regulatory action is required by state statute or federal statute or regulation and leaves no discretion in its implementation.

Table 1a should provide analysis for the regulatory approach you are taking. Table 1b should provide analysis for the approach of leaving the current regulations intact (i.e., no further change is implemented). Table 1c should provide analysis for at least one alternative approach. You should not limit yourself to one alternative, however, and can add additional charts as needed.

Report both direct and indirect costs and benefits that can be monetized in Boxes 1 and 2. Report direct and indirect costs and benefits that cannot be monetized in Box 4. See the ORM Regulatory Economic Analysis Manual for additional guidance.

Table 1a: Costs and Benefits of the Proposed Changes (Primary Option)

Indirect & Indirect Costs & Benefits (Monetized)	There are no direct or indirect costs of the change. There are no direct or indirect benefits of the change. This change solely adds and removes chemicals to Schedules based on previous federal action. This change likely adds costs for law enforcement entities and prosecution entities in the Commonwealth, because the number of substances that it is illegal to possess or use increases. The cost for this change is unquantifiable by the Board, however, because the changes are speculative and involve agencies and entities in the Commonwealth with their own financial considerations of which the Board is not aware. Due to this limitation, no costs or benefits are provided below.		
(2) Present	Di contribuid	Di contribuit di	
Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs (a) 0	Direct & Indirect Benefits (b) 0	
(3) Net Monetized Benefit	0		
(4) Other Costs & Benefits (Non- Monetized)	0		
(5) Information Sources			
Table 1b: Costs and	Benefits under the Status Q	uo (No change to the regulation)	
(1) Direct & Indirect Costs & Benefits (Monetized)	There are no direct or indirect costs to status quo. No direct or indirect benefits to status quo.		
(2) Present	Direct & Indirect Costs	Direct & Indirect Description	
Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs (a)	Direct & Indirect Benefits (b)	
(3) Net Monetized Benefit			

(4) Other Costs &	
Benefits (Non-	
Monetized)	
(5) Information	
Sources	

Table 1c: Costs and Benefits under Alternative Approach(es)

Table 1c. Costs and	Delicits under Afternative	Approach(cs)	
(1) Direct & Indirect Costs &	There are no alternative approaches to scheduling actions under Virginia Code § 54.1-3443(E).		
Benefits	(2).		
(Monetized)			
(2) Present			
Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs	Direct & Indirect Benefits	
	(a)	(b)	
(3) Net Monetized			
Benefit			
(4) Other Costs &			
Benefits (Non-			
Monetized)			
(5) Information			
Sources			

Impact on Local Partners

Use this chart to describe impacts on local partners. See Part 8 of the ORM Cost Impact Analysis Guidance for additional guidance.

Table 2: Impact on Local Partners

(1) Direct & Indirect Costs & Benefits (Monetized)	Please see Table 1a for impacts on local partners. This impact is unquantifiable by the Board, however, so no costs or benefits are included below.	
(2) Present Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs (a)	Direct & Indirect Benefits (b)

(3) Other Costs & Benefits (Non- Monetized)	
(4) Assistance	
(5) Information Sources	

Impacts on Families

Use this chart to describe impacts on families. See Part 8 of the ORM Cost Impact Analysis Guidance for additional guidance.

Table 3: Impact on Families

(1) Direct & Indirect Costs & Benefits	There is no impact on families.	
(Monetized)		
(2) Present Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs (a)	Direct & Indirect Benefits (b)
(3) Other Costs & Benefits (Non- Monetized)		
(4) Information Sources		

Impacts on Small Businesses

Use this chart to describe impacts on small businesses. See Part 8 of the ORM Cost Impact Analysis Guidance for additional guidance.

Table 4: Impact on Small Businesses

(1) Direct &	There is no impact on small businesses.		
Indirect Costs &			
Benefits			
(Monetized)			
(2) Present			
Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs	Direct & Indirect Benefits	

	(a)	(b)
(3) Other Costs & Benefits (Non- Monetized)		
(4) Alternatives		
(5) Information Sources		

Changes to Number of Regulatory Requirements

Table 5: Regulatory Reduction

For each individual action, please fill out the appropriate chart to reflect any change in regulatory requirements, costs, regulatory stringency, or the overall length of any guidance documents.

Change in Regulatory Requirements

VAC Section(s)	Initial Count	Additions	Subtractions	Net Change
Involved				
18VAC110-20- 323	1	0	0	0

Cost Reductions or Increases (if applicable)

VAC Section(s) Involved	Description of Regulatory Requirement	Initial Cost	New Cost	Overall Cost Savings/Increases

Other Decreases or Increases in Regulatory Stringency (if applicable)

VAC Section(s) Involved	Description of Regulatory Change	Overview of How It Reduces or Increases Regulatory
		Burden
18VAC110-20-322	Adds drugs and chemicals to Schedule I and deletes one drug from Schedule IV.	There is no increase or decrease in the regulatory burden because practitioners are not required to take any action. Additionally, the General Assembly places drugs in schedules consistent with Board actions throughout the year, making these regulatory changes only necessary for a short period of time. Once the General Assembly acts to place these drugs and chemicals in the statutory schedules, the Board will remove them from this section.

Length of Guidance Documents (only applicable if guidance document is being revised)

Title of Guidance Document	Original Length	New Length	Net Change in Length