

Office of Regulatory Management
Economic Review Form

Agency name	State Board of Social Services
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) Chapter citation(s)	22VAC40-141
VAC Chapter title(s)	<i>Licensing Standards for Independent Foster Homes</i>
Action title	Chapter 141 Amend standards for Independent Foster Home regulatory reduction
Date this document prepared	August 20, 2025
Regulatory Stage (including Issuance of Guidance Documents)	Fast-Track

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)

(1) Direct & Indirect Costs & Benefits (Monetized)	Direct Costs: There are no monetized direct costs with this proposed change. Indirect Costs: There are no monetized indirect costs with this proposed change. Direct Benefits: There are no monetized direct benefits with this proposed change. Indirect Benefits: There are no monetized indirect benefits with this proposed change.	
(2) Present Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs	Direct & Indirect Benefits
	(a) \$0	(b) \$0
(3) Net Monetized Benefit	\$0	
(4) Other Costs & Benefits (Non-Monetized)	This regulatory action will reduce regulatory burden and provide clarification to existing requirements.	
(5) Information Sources	N/A	

Table 1b: Costs and Benefits under the Status Quo (No change to the regulation)

(1) Direct & Indirect Costs & Benefits (Monetized)	Direct Costs: There are no monetized direct costs with this proposed change. Indirect Costs: There are no monetized indirect costs with this proposed change. Direct Benefits: There are no monetized direct benefits with this proposed change. Indirect Benefits: There are no monetized indirect benefits with this proposed change.	
(2) Present Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs	Direct & Indirect Benefits

	(a) \$0	(b) \$0
(3) Net Monetized Benefit	\$0	
(4) Other Costs & Benefits (Non-Monetized)	N/A	
(5) Information Sources	N/A	

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

(1) Direct & Indirect Costs & Benefits (Monetized)	Direct Costs: There are no monetized direct costs with this proposed change. Indirect Costs: There are no monetized indirect costs with this proposed change. Direct Benefits: There are no monetized direct benefits with this proposed change. Indirect Benefits: There are no monetized indirect benefits with this proposed change.	
(2) Present Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs	Direct & Indirect Benefits
	(a) \$0	(b) \$0
(3) Net Monetized Benefit	N/A	
(4) Other Costs & Benefits (Non-Monetized)	N/A	
(5) Information Sources	N/A	

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)	Direct Costs: There are no monetized direct costs with this proposed change. Indirect Costs: There are no monetized indirect costs with this proposed change. Direct Benefits: There are no monetized direct benefits with this proposed change. Indirect Benefits: There are no monetized indirect benefits with this proposed change.	
(2) Present Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs	Direct & Indirect Benefits
	(a) \$0	(b) \$0
(3) Other Costs & Benefits (Non-Monetized)	Currently there are no licensed independent foster (IFH) homes in Virginia. The last IFH provider closed in 2021. There are no non-monetized benefits for local partners.	
(4) Assistance	N/A	
(5) Information Sources	N/A	

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 (Monetized)	Direct Costs: There are no monetized direct costs with this proposed change. Indirect Costs: There are no monetized indirect costs with this proposed change. Direct Benefits: There are no monetized direct benefits with this proposed change.
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	Indirect Benefits: There are no monetized indirect benefits with this proposed change.	
(2) Present Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs	Direct & Indirect Benefits
	(a) \$0	(b) \$0
(3) Other Costs & Benefits (Non-Monetized)	N/A	
(4) Information Sources	N/A	

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 & Indirect Costs & Benefits (Monetized)	Direct Costs: There are no monetized direct costs with this proposed change. Indirect Costs: There are no monetized indirect costs with this proposed change. Direct Benefits: There are no monetized direct benefits with this proposed change. Indirect Benefits: There are no monetized indirect benefits with this proposed change.	
(2) Present Monetized Values	Direct & Indirect Costs	Direct & Indirect Benefits
	(a) \$0	(b) \$0
(3) Other Costs & Benefits (Non-Monetized)	Currently there are no licensed independent foster homes in Virginia. The last IFH provider closed in 2021. There is no impact to small businesses.	

(4) Alternatives	N/A
(5) Information Sources	N/A

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) Involved*	Authority of Change	Initial Count	Additions	Subtractions	Total Net Change in Requirements
10	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	0	0	0	0
	(D/R):	0	0	0	0
20	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	3	0	1	-1
	(D/R):	0	0	0	0
30	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	1	1	0	+1
	(D/R):	5	1	0	+1
40	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	4	0	4	-4
	(D/R):	0	0	0	0
50	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	0	0	0	0
	(D/R):	5	0	3	-3
60	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	3	0	2	-2
	(D/R):	9	2	7	-5
70	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0

	(M/R):	0	0	0	0
	(D/R):	4	0	1	-1
80	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	0	0	0	0
	(D/R):	15	0	12	-12
85	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	12	0	3	-3
	(D/R):	0	0	0	0
87	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	0	0	0	0
	(D/R):	19	0	4	-4
90	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	0	0	0	0
	(D/R):	11	0	7	-7
100	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	1	0	1	-1
	(D/R):	4	0	2	-2
110	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	0	0	0	0
	(D/R):	7	0	4	-4
120	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	2	0	0	0
	(D/R):	5	0	2	-2
130	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	0	0	0	0

	(D/R):	28	0	16	-16
140	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	0	0	0	0
	(D/R):	9	0	9	-9
150	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	0	0	0	0
	(D/R):	19	0	10	-10
160	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	1	0	0	0
	(D/R):	1	0	1	-1
170	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	2	0	1	-1
	(D/R):	0	0	0	0
180	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	34	2	1	+1
	(D/R):	7	0	4	-4
190	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	0	0	0	0
	(D/R):	22	0	7	-7
200	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	1	0	1	-1
	(D/R):	30	1	17	-16
210	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	14	0	5	-5
	(D/R):	15	+4	-9	-5

Forms	(M/A):	0	0	0	0
	(D/A):	0	0	0	0
	(M/R):	0	0	0	0
	(D/R):	0	0	0	0
				Grand Total of Changes in Requirements:	(M/A): 0
					(D/A): 0
					(M/R): -16
					(D/R): -107

Key:

Please use the following coding if change is mandatory or discretionary and whether it affects externally regulated parties or only the agency itself:

(M/A): Mandatory requirements mandated by federal and/or state statute affecting the agency itself

(D/A): Discretionary requirements affecting agency itself

(M/R): Mandatory requirements mandated by federal and/or state statute affecting external parties, including other agencies

(D/R): Discretionary requirements affecting external parties, including other agencies

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
70	The timeframe for the provider to receive initial training was removed in 70 A.	Removing the timeframe for the provider to complete the initial training reduces stringency.
70	Removed identified sources for CPR and first aid training in 70 B.	Removing identified sources for the training allows flexibility for the provider to obtain CPR and First Aid certification without using an 'approved source'.
70	Reduction to the amount of annual training required for the provider from 20 hours to 12 hours in 70 D.	Decreasing the annual training requirement for providers by 60% to allow for flexibility in

		obtaining required training hours.
80	Reduced the subsequent screening requirement for tuberculosis from two years to every three years in 80 F.	Allows the provider to be screened for tuberculosis every three years instead of every two years and reduces stringency.
190	Removed specific heating and cooling temperatures required in the home and clarified the home shall be heated and cooled appropriately in 190 B.	Reduces the stringency on the provider to allow for flexibility based on the individual's needs.
200	Reduced the age from 10 to 7 for a child with no motor or developmental delays who can use the top bunk of a bed in 200 V.	Reduces the stringency on the provider to allow for flexibility based on the child's needs.

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

Title of Guidance Document	Original Word Count	New Word Count	Net Change in Word Count

*If the agency is modifying a guidance document that has regulatory requirements, it should report any change in requirements in the appropriate chart(s).