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MEMORANDUM

- **TO:** Colonel W. Steven Flaherty Virginia State Police Superintendent
- FROM: Phillip O. Figura Chief Prosecutor Organized Crime and Enforcement Unit
- **DATE:** November 18, 2014
- **SUBJECT:** Regulations for Regulations Relating to Standards and Specifications for Approved Helmets for All-Terrain Vehicles and Mopeds -19 VAC 30-200, *et. seq.*

In response to a request from the Virginia State Police, I have examined the current regulations which are up for periodic review, 19 VAC 30-200 *et seq.*, relating to standards and specifications for approved helmets for all-terrain vehicles and mopeds.

Virginia Code §§ 46.2-915.1, 46.2-915.2 and 46.2-1005 provide that the Virginia State Police to set standards and specifications for approved helmets for all-terrain vehicles and mopeds. Upon review of the aforesaid regulations, I find the regulations to be constitutional, consistent with the statutory authority granted by Virginia Code §§ 46.2-915.1, 46.2-915.2 and 46.2-1005, and in conformity with existing statutory provisions.

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