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## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

DATE: January 31, 2020

TO: Licensed Child-Placing Agencies

FROM; Tara Ragland, Director  
Division of Licensing Programs

SUBJECT: Notice of Intended Regulatory Action for 22VAC40-131, Standards for Licensed Child-Placing Agencies

The State Board of Social Services is providing notice of intended regulatory action (NOIRA) to amend and conduct a periodic review of 22VAC40-131, *Standards for Licensed Child-Placing Agencies*. The NOIRA is available at [https://www.townhall.virginia.gov/L/GetFile.cfm?File=73\5369\8732\AgencyStatement\\_DSS\\_8732\\_v1.pdf](https://www.townhall.virginia.gov/L/GetFile.cfm?File=73\5369\8732\AgencyStatement_DSS_8732_v1.pdf).

Proposed amendments in this action are intended to bring the regulation into alignment with state and federal requirements. The purpose of the periodic review is to determine the need for additional amendments or that the remainder of the regulation be repealed or retained in its current form. The regulation can be found in its entirety at <https://law.lis.virginia.gov/admincode/title22/agency40/chapter131/>.

Notice of this intended regulatory action, will be published in the Virginia Register of Regulations on February 3, 2020. Public comment is being sought on the review of any issue relating to this regulation, including whether the regulation (i) is necessary for the protection of public health, safety, and welfare or for the economical performance of important governmental functions; (ii) minimizes the economic impact on small businesses in a manner consistent with the stated objectives of applicable law; and (iii) is clearly written and easily understandable.

The public comment period begins on February 3, 2020 and ends on March 4, 2020.

Comments for this periodic review may be submitted via Regulatory Town Hall at : <https://www.townhall.virginia.gov/> or by mail, fax or email to Tammy Trestrail, Program Consultant, Virginia Department of Social Services, Division of Licensing-Children's Programs, 801 East Main Street, 9th Floor, Richmond, Virginia 23219; fax (804) 726-7382; [tammy.trestrail@dss.virginia.gov](mailto:tammy.trestrail@dss.virginia.gov).