

**Unified Regulatory Plan of the
Virginia State Board of Local and Regional Jails
Fiscal Year 2025**

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Description of Agency or Boards

The State Board of Local and Regional Jails is established in Article 2 (§ [53.1-2](#) et seq.) of Chapter 1 of Title 53.1. The State Board of Local and Regional Jails is authorized to: establish operational and fiscal standards governing the operation of local and regional correctional facilities; establish minimum standards for health care services in local, regional, and community correctional facilities and procedures for enforcing such minimum standards; develop and implement policies and procedures for the review of the death of any inmate that the board determines warrants review that occurs in any local, regional, or community correctional facility; establish minimum standards for the construction, equipment, administration, and operation of local correctional facilities and lockups.

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) RIS Project 7155	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Regulations for Private Management and Operation of Prison Facilities (6VAC15-45)	
Brief Overview The intent of regulation 6VAC15-45 is to ensure that minimum standards for the administration and operation of private prisons are met, and that basic services, programs, and conditions in private prisons are comparable with state facilities. Board action is underway to repeal these regulations as they are no longer under the purview of the Board.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Not applicable
Expected Date	August 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Periodic Review of Standards for Planning, Design, Construction and Reimbursement of Local Correctional Facilities (6VAC15-81)	
Brief Overview Regulations addressing the Needs Assessment portion of the required Community Based Corrections Plan (CBCP) is under review with the Department of Criminal Justice Services for the purposes of simplification and clarification. The Planning Study portions of the CBCP are being analyzed to obtain cost information for small projects that may be approved by the Board.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule (Exempt) <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute
Deregulatory Component	The Board's review will attempt to revise regulations within the Needs Assessment process while ensuring the documentation of cost data for small projects is accurate and comprehensive and will continue to address the life, health and safety for inmates and staff.
Expected Date	July 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revisions to Minimum Standards for Jails and Lockups (6VAC15-40)	
Brief Overview The Periodic Review Report of Findings was filed on February 1, 2022, and noted standards should be revised. In addition to changes necessary to reflect the name change of the Board, other revisions will be made as a result of findings during the Board’s examination of the regulations.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule (Exempt) <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute
Deregulatory Component	This Chapter contains 282 mandatory regulatory components and 14 discretionary components. The Board is currently in the process of review and the number of regulations revised will be available upon completion.
Expected Date	March 2025