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MEMORANDUM

DATE: JUNE 30, 2021

FROM: LOGAN GRANT, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 

TO: AGENCY MEMBERS AND INTERESTED PARTIES

RE: DRAFT EMERGENCY RULES AND DRAFT REGULAR RULES

P.C. 557 makes significant changes to the certificate of need statute, which necessitates significant changes to the Agency's rules.

The rulemaking process is lengthy due to required steps and timelines, which necessitates the Agency's adoption of emergency rules at its August 25, 2021 meeting (the last Agency meeting prior to the effective date of most provisions in P.C. 557). The emergency rules are intended to make changes necessitated by P.C. 557, as well as make electronic filings permanent due to disruptions to mail and in-person activities that have persisted due to COVID19.

There will be a parallel process for regular rulemaking, due to the limited time emergency rules are in effect. The regular rulemaking process will make permanent the emergency rules, and will also include other revisions.

Copies of drafts of both emergency and regular rules are being circulated for comment.

All comments should be sent to me prior to July 26, 2021, to enable preparation of the final version of the rules to be voted upon at the Agency meeting.
