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<p>Guidance for Federal Financial Assistance; Corrections, 89 Federal Register 79731, October 1, 2024</p>	<p>FINAL RULE: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is correcting the final guidance that appeared in the Federal Register on April 22, 2024. This document reverses a change to a title heading and makes technical amendments clarifying specific language in three parts. EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2024</p>
<p>Rules Governing Director Review of Patent Trial and Appeal Board Decisions, 89 Federal Register 79744, October 1, 2024</p>	<p>FINAL RULE: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO or Office) is adding a new rule to govern the process for the review of Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB or Board) decisions in Leahy-Smith America Invents Act (AIA) proceedings by the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (Director). The new rule promotes the accuracy, consistency, and integrity of PTAB decision-making in AIA proceedings. EFFECTIVE DATE: October 31, 2024</p>
<p>Health and Human Services Adoption of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 89 Federal Register 80055, October 2, 2024</p>	<p>INTERIM FINAL RULE: The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) adopts with this rule OMB's Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, to include 12 existing HHS-specific modifications. This rule also repeals HHS' existing regulations governing the administration of HHS financial assistance awards. The existing HHS-specific modifications are described in the rule's preamble. Additionally, the rule will correct citations throughout all relevant HHS regulations. EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2025, except for amendatory instruction 2, which is effective October 1, 2024</p>
<p>EXECUTIVE ORDER # 14127 -Combating Emerging Firearms Threats and Improving School-Based Active-Shooter Drills, 89 Federal Register 80345, October 2, 2024</p>	<p>EXECUTIVE ORDER: This EO establishes a task force to prepare a report containing a risk assessment and strategy to stop the proliferation of machine gun conversion devices and 3D printed firearms. In addition, the Secretary of Education and the Secretary of Homeland Security will develop and publish information about school-based active shooter drill for schools including institutions of higher education, including a summary of existing research and recommendations on active-shooter drills as well as recommended areas for future research.</p>
<p>Copyright Claims Board: Final Determination Certification, 89 Federal Register 80743, October 4, 2024</p>	<p>FINAL RULE: The U.S. Copyright Office is issuing a final rule adjusting the process and fee to obtain a certified final determination from the Copyright Claims Board. EFFECTIVE DATE: October 4, 2024</p>
<p>Truth in Lending (Regulation Z), 89 Federal Register 82938, October 15, 2024</p>	<p>FINAL RULE: The Board and the CFPB (collectively, Agencies) are publishing final rules amending the official interpretations for the Agencies' regulations that implement the Truth in Lending Act (TILA). The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (Dodd-Frank Act) amended TILA by requiring that the dollar threshold for exempt consumer credit transactions be adjusted annually by the annual percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W). Based on the annual percentage</p>

	<p>increase in the CPI-W as of June 1, 2024, the exemption threshold will increase from \$69,500 to \$71,900 effective January 1, 2025. Because the Dodd-Frank Act also requires similar adjustments in the Consumer Leasing Act's threshold for exempt consumer leases, the Agencies are making similar amendments to each of their respective regulations implementing the Consumer Leasing Act elsewhere in the Rules section of this issue of the Federal Register.</p> <p>EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2025</p>
<p>Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) Program, 89 Federal Register 83092, October 15, 2024</p>	<p>FINAL RULE: With this final rule, DoD establishes the Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) Program in order to verify contractors have implemented required security measures necessary to safeguard Federal Contract Information (FCI) and Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI). The mechanisms discussed in this rule will allow the Department to confirm a defense contractor or subcontractor has implemented the security requirements for a specified CMMC level and is maintaining that status (meaning level and assessment type) across the contract period of performance. This rule will be updated as needed, using the appropriate rulemaking process, to address evolving cybersecurity standards, requirements, threats, and other relevant changes.</p> <p>EFFECTIVE DATE: December 16, 2024</p>
<p>Employment Authorization for Certain Lebanese F-1 Nonimmigrant Students Experiencing Severe Economic Hardship as a Direct Result of the Current Humanitarian Crisis in Lebanon, 89 Federal Register 83897, October 18, 2024</p>	<p>NOTICE: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is suspending certain regulatory requirements for certain Lebanese F-1 nonimmigrant students who are experiencing severe economic hardship as a direct result of the current humanitarian crisis in Lebanon. The Secretary is providing relief to these students who are in lawful F-1 nonimmigrant status, so the students may request employment authorization, work an increased number of hours while school is in session, and reduce their course load while continuing to maintain their F-1 nonimmigrant status.</p> <p>EFFECTIVE DATE: July 26, 2024 – January 25, 2026</p>
<p>Withholding on Certain Distributions Under Section 3405(a) and (b), 89 Federal Register 84079, October 21, 2024</p>	<p>FINAL RULE: This document contains a final regulation regarding income tax withholding on certain periodic payments and nonperiodic distributions from employer deferred compensation plans, individual retirement plans, and commercial annuities that are not eligible rollover distributions. The regulation addresses a payor's obligation to withhold income taxes in the circumstances in which those payments or distributions are made to payees outside of the United States and affects payors and payees of those periodic payments and nonperiodic distributions.</p> <p>EFFECTIVE DATE: October 21, 2024</p>
<p>Exemption to Prohibition on Circumvention of Copyright Protection Systems for Access Control Technologies, 89 Federal Register 85437, October 28, 2024</p>	<p>FINAL RULE: In this final rule, the Librarian of Congress adopts exemptions to the provision of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act (“DMCA”) that prohibits circumvention of technological measures that control access to copyrighted works. As required under the statute, the Register of Copyrights, following a public proceeding, submitted a recommendation to the Librarian of Congress (“Register's Recommendation”) regarding proposed exemptions.</p>

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 28, 2024

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[6VAC20-20. Rules Relating to Compulsory Minimum Training Standards for Law-Enforcement Officers \(amending 6VAC20-20-21, 6VAC20-20-40\), Virginia Register of Regulations, Volume 41, Issue 5, October 21, 2024](#)

PROPOSED REGULATION: The proposed amendments include enhanced training in community policing, verbal de-escalation, implicit bias, duty to intervene, conflict resolution skills with a concentration on individuals with mental illness, historical events that have influenced citizen and police relationships, and the establishment of a new category of training, Officer Wellness. The proposed amendments improve and update language, in addition to amending the existing number of field training hours required for new law-enforcement officers in Virginia, as recommended by the Law-Enforcement Curriculum Review Committee and the subject matter experts that the department has continued to work with on this project. Additionally, as recommended by law-enforcement personnel throughout the state in multiple meetings conducted by the department soliciting input, this action will also increase the time required for the completion of training from 12 months to 18 months from the law-enforcement officer's date of hire, benefiting all agencies and departments throughout the Commonwealth.

COMMENTS DUE: December 20, 2024