FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

I. General Purpose of Proposed Regulations

The Department of Justice ("Department") proposes to make permanent the emergency repeal of sections 999.12 and 999.13 of chapter 16, division 1, of title 11 of the California Code of Regulations, including the form escrow agreement incorporated therein, and the emergency adoption of section 999.12, including the Approved Tobacco Escrow Agreement, JUS-TOB6 (Rev. 5/2019), which is incorporated by reference therein.

II. Update of Initial Statement of Reasons

There is no information to be updated. All of the information and grounds provided in the Initial Statement of Reasons are accurate, current, and unchanged.

III. Summary of Comments and Department Responses

The Department of Justice did not receive any comments during the 45-day notice period, which closed on October 21, 2019.

IV. Alternatives Determination

The Department has determined that no alternative would be either more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed or as effective and less burdensome.

V. Local Mandate Determination

The proposed regulation does not impose any mandate or other impacts on any local agencies or school districts.