

Virginia Department of Health
House Bill 558
Transitional Planning Element Development Team
June 6, 2016 Meeting Summary

Attendees

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Summary

This was the second meeting of the Transitional Planning Element Development Team. The team provided feedback on HB 558 Draft Interim Report 1, and dedicated a significant portion of the meeting to discussion options to shift new construction and repairs to the private sector.

Comments from the meeting included:

- Mixed opinions regarding VDH remaining a provider of last resort for new construction; low income households.
- Should VDH fees go up so that it is not cheaper to go to VDH.
- Never encountered a case where someone couldn't pay the design fee.
- Maybe county employees could provide a services where desired by local government.
- Agree the goal is 100% private sector for new construction.
- If the owner comes in and say they can't get the private sector, can VDH put the owner's information out and ask the private sector if they are willing to process the application.
- The private sector is going to respond. If there is drop dead date you're going to start seeing providers in new areas.
- There is some period of time necessary for the private sector to ramp up in new areas.
- If you don't set a drop dead date, you're never going to get to the end goal.
- VDH spend a lot of resources on getting people good at designs, so shift will change VDH's training.
- Anything that is not a primary residence or is commercial should be able to privatize.
- If there is enough private sector to do the work, then we are just looking at low income for repairs. VDH may be providing the service for the indigent.