

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1997 SESSION

CHAPTER 547

An Act to amend and reenact § 15.1-29.10 of the Code of Virginia, relating to provision of information to new home buyers.

[H 2297]

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 15.1-29.10 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 15.1-29.10. Provision of information to new home buyers.

The governing body of any county having an urban county executive or county executive form of government, *or any county adjacent to any two or more such counties*, may require by ordinance that ~~the sellers who are the initial developers of planned development units shall, upon request and prior to execution of an offer to buy, offer prospective buyers access to the development plan for the purpose of inspection and copying.~~ *of new homes provide to home buyers access to copies of the approved subdivision plat, all development plans approved as part of the zoning for the planned unit development, proffered conditions accepted pursuant to § 15.1-491 (a) as part of the zoning approval for the development, and the comprehensive plan for the area of the county, all of which documents shall include the property for sale and shall be current as of the date access to such documents is provided. The ordinance may require that, prior to execution of an offer to buy:*

1. Such documents be located on the site of the property encompassed by the subdivision, plat, or planned unit development in which the property for sale is located, or at an office in its immediate vicinity; and

2. The seller of the new home notify the prospective home buyers of the location of these documents and provide a reasonable opportunity for such prospective buyers to inspect these documents.

Any violation of such an ordinance shall be punishable by a civil fine of not more than \$100.