



Issue: VA Proffer “Reform” Bill (SB549)

A Win for Developers

This bill allows developers to avoid paying their fair share of related infrastructure costs. Instead, increased costs get passed on to taxpayers.

Republican Position

A large majority of Republicans supported the Proffer bill.

Republicans support passing costs onto the taxpayers while giving developers a tax break.

31% of top campaign funds came from Republican/Conservative and Real Estate Developers contributions.

This bill was heavily lobbied by the home building industry.

Democratic position

Democrats understand that this bill results in higher taxes for residents to fund higher shares for roads, schools, and parks. This is an unfair burden on citizens because developers have been responsible for their customary share of these costs for over 40 years.

Democrats know that real estate developers benefit most from this bill while taxpayers are left footing more of the bill for new schools, roads, and infrastructure.