

Vanessa Blevins

Comments from second public hearing

1 VANESSA BLEVINS: Yes, thanks.
2 You know, I think that trying to make many aspects
3 of the regs totally flexible, where you could waive
4 any part of, you know, Section 200 in the
5 engineering section of 18 AAC 72, seems -- you
6 know, I understand you want to do that to help meet
7 the needs of a specific circumstance. The problem
8 is it makes the plan reviews totally unpredictable.
9 And nobody expects plan reviews to be consistent.
10 I mean, the conditions in the state vary from place
11 to place, but there has to be a high level of
12 predictability in what you expect to have to do to
13 meet a regulation. And so injecting all of those
14 multiple variables in there goes the other way, and
15 it makes the plan reviews take a lot longer, and
16 it's a lot less of an efficient process for
17 everybody involved.
18 And so I guess I would urge you to
19 look for opportunities to make the plans more
20 predictable, not less predictable.
21 And that's it.