

## REVISION OF CHAPTER 246-272A WAC

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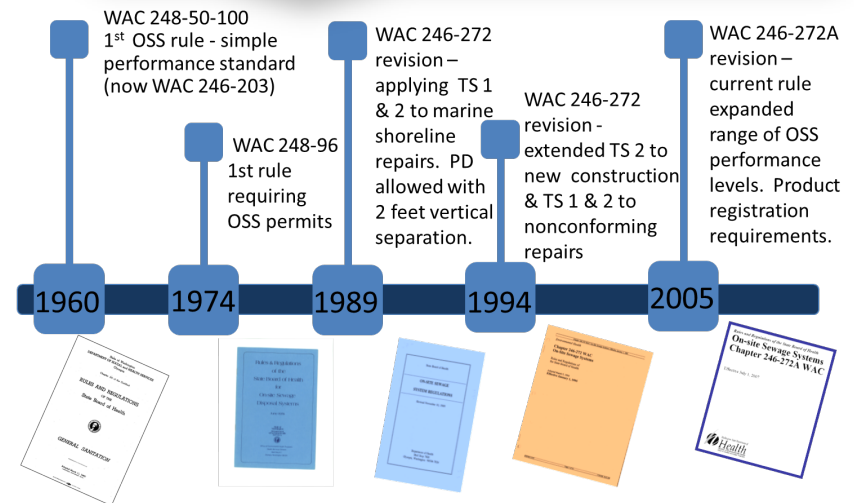
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# Chapter 246-272A WAC

WAC 246-272A-0425 requires DOH to:

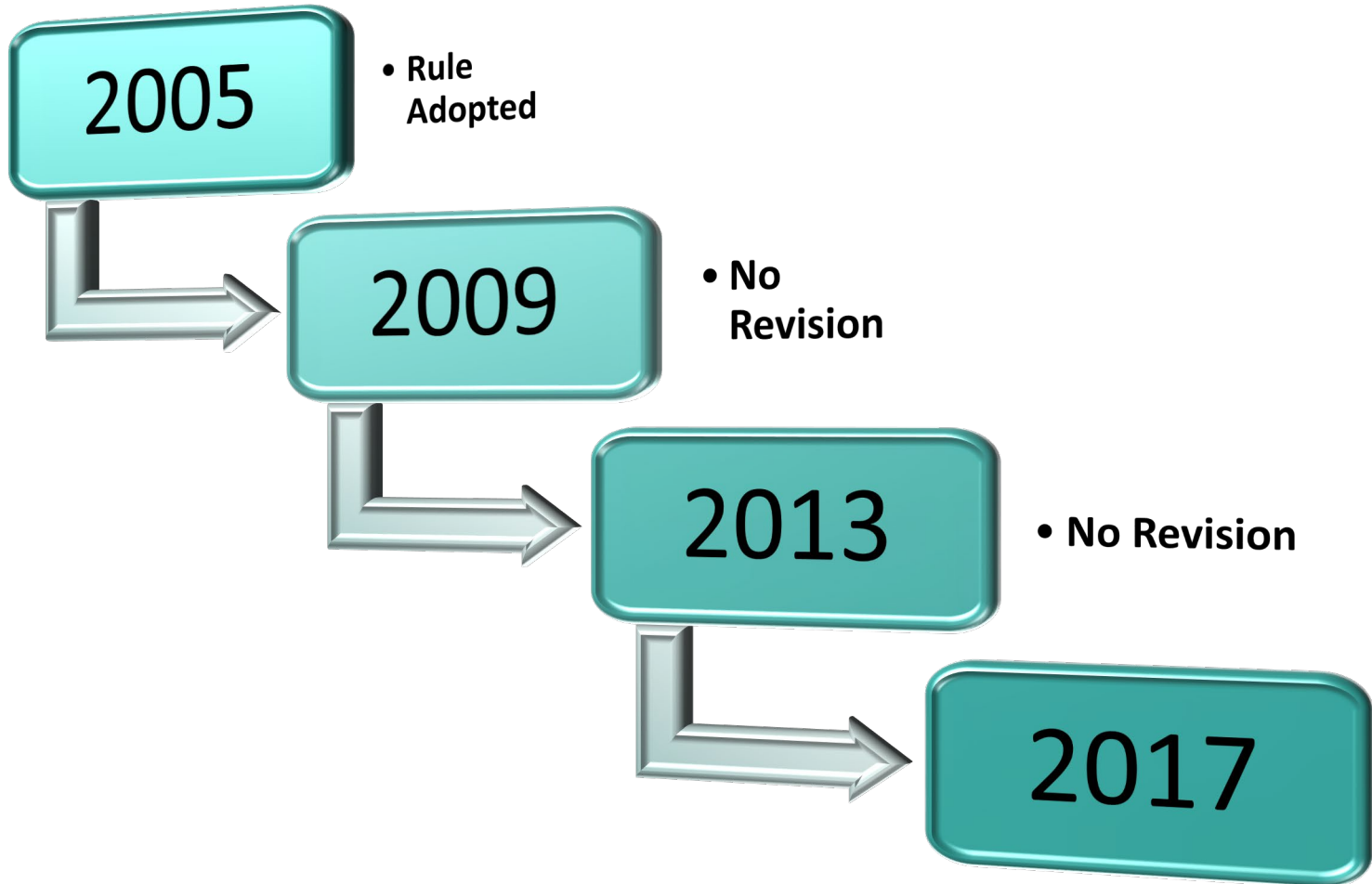
- Evaluate the effectiveness of the rule every four years
- Determine if revisions are needed
- Report recommendations to the State Board of Health and local health officers

## OSS Rule Time Line

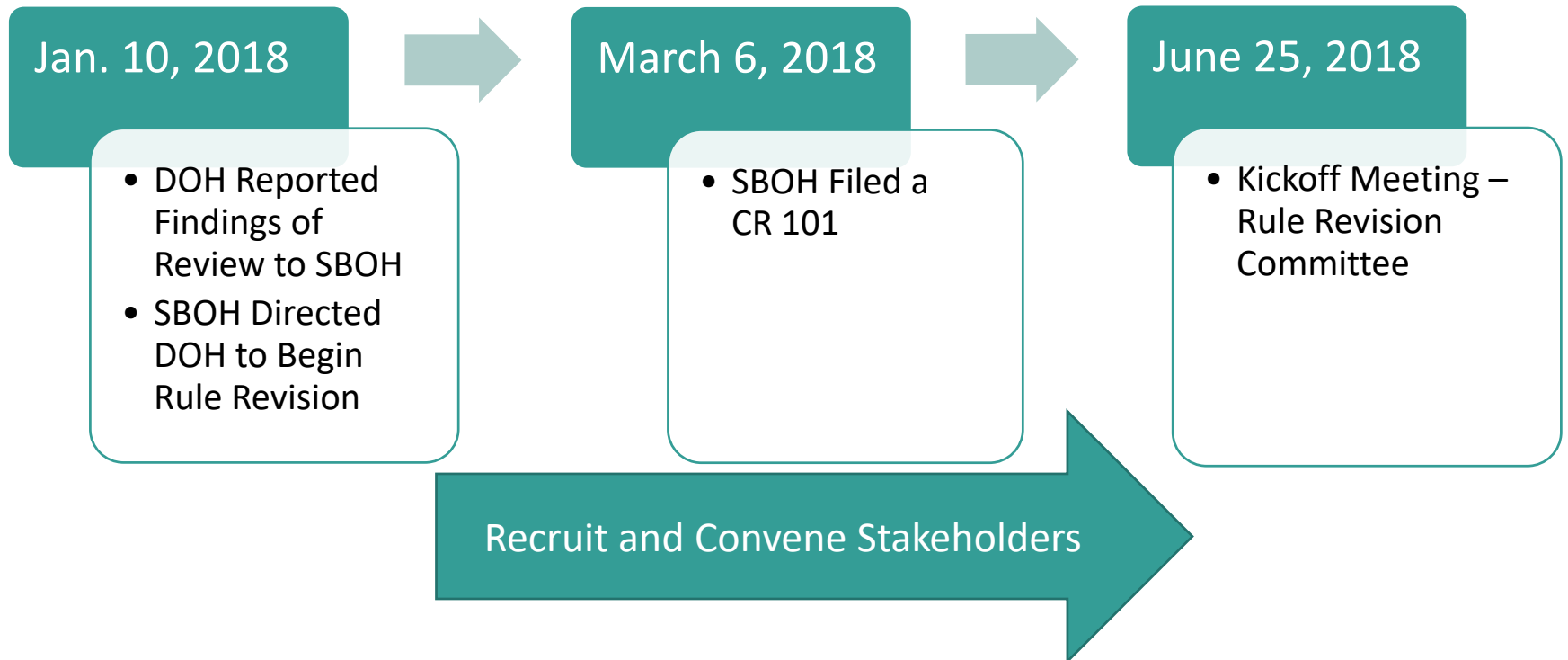


# Chronological Rule Reviews

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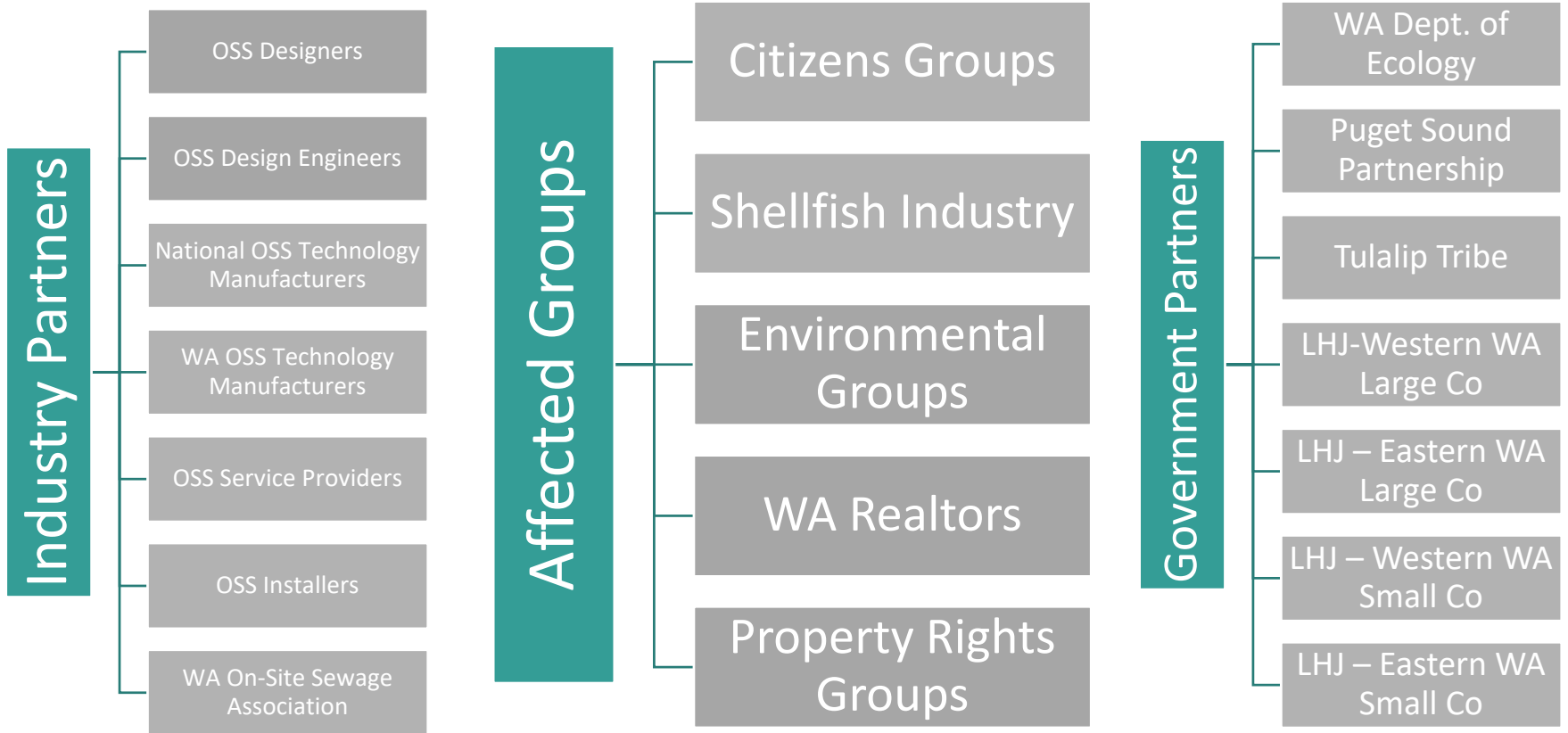


# Revision Kickoff



# Who's on the Committee?

19 Voting Members



- ✓ DOH facilitates and participates in conversations
- ✓ SBOH staff attends and provides input

# Rule Revision Process

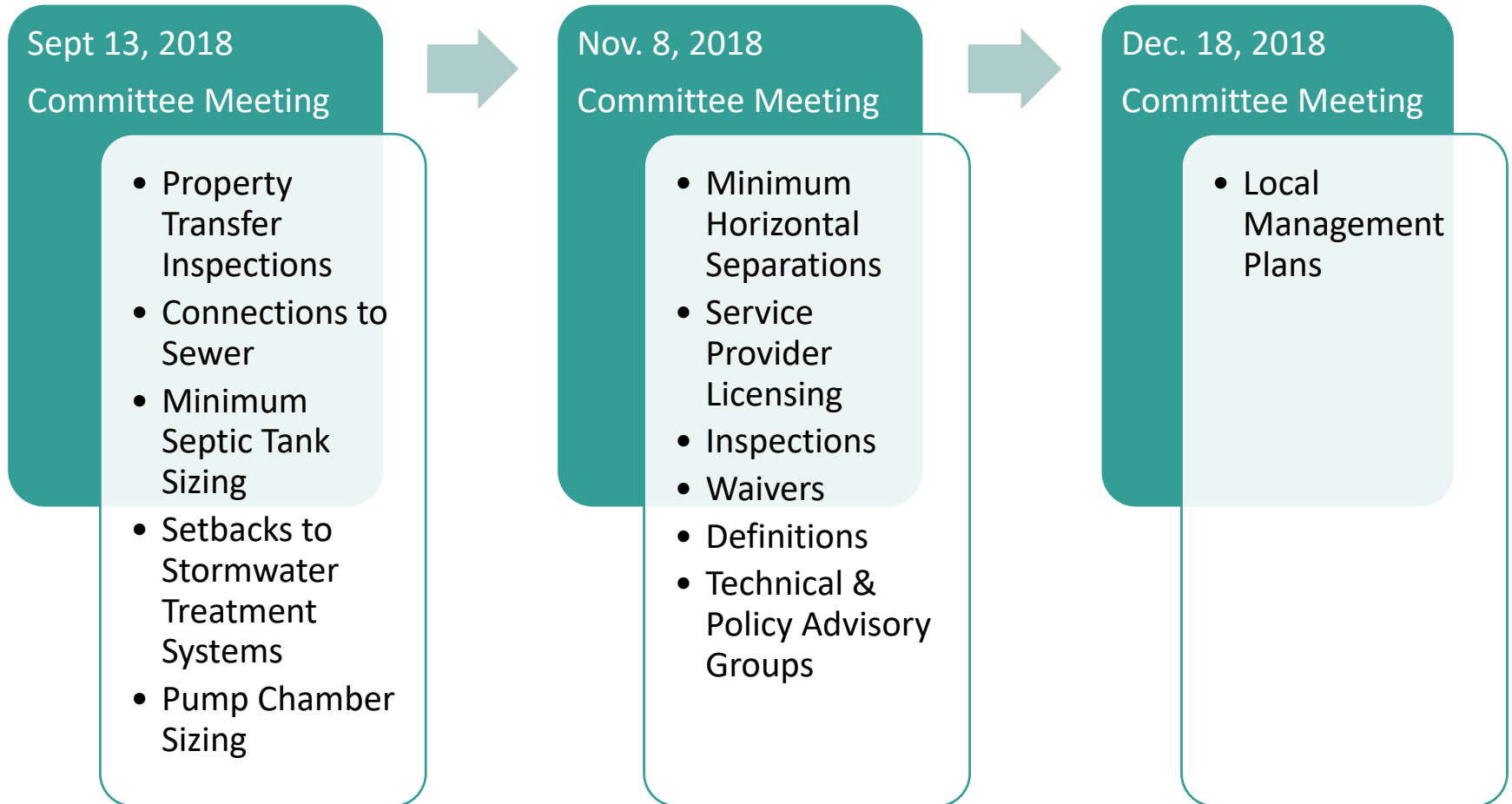
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Stakeholder Committee  
Makes Rule Revision  
Recommendations To  
DOH

DOH Makes  
Recommendations to  
the State Board of  
Health

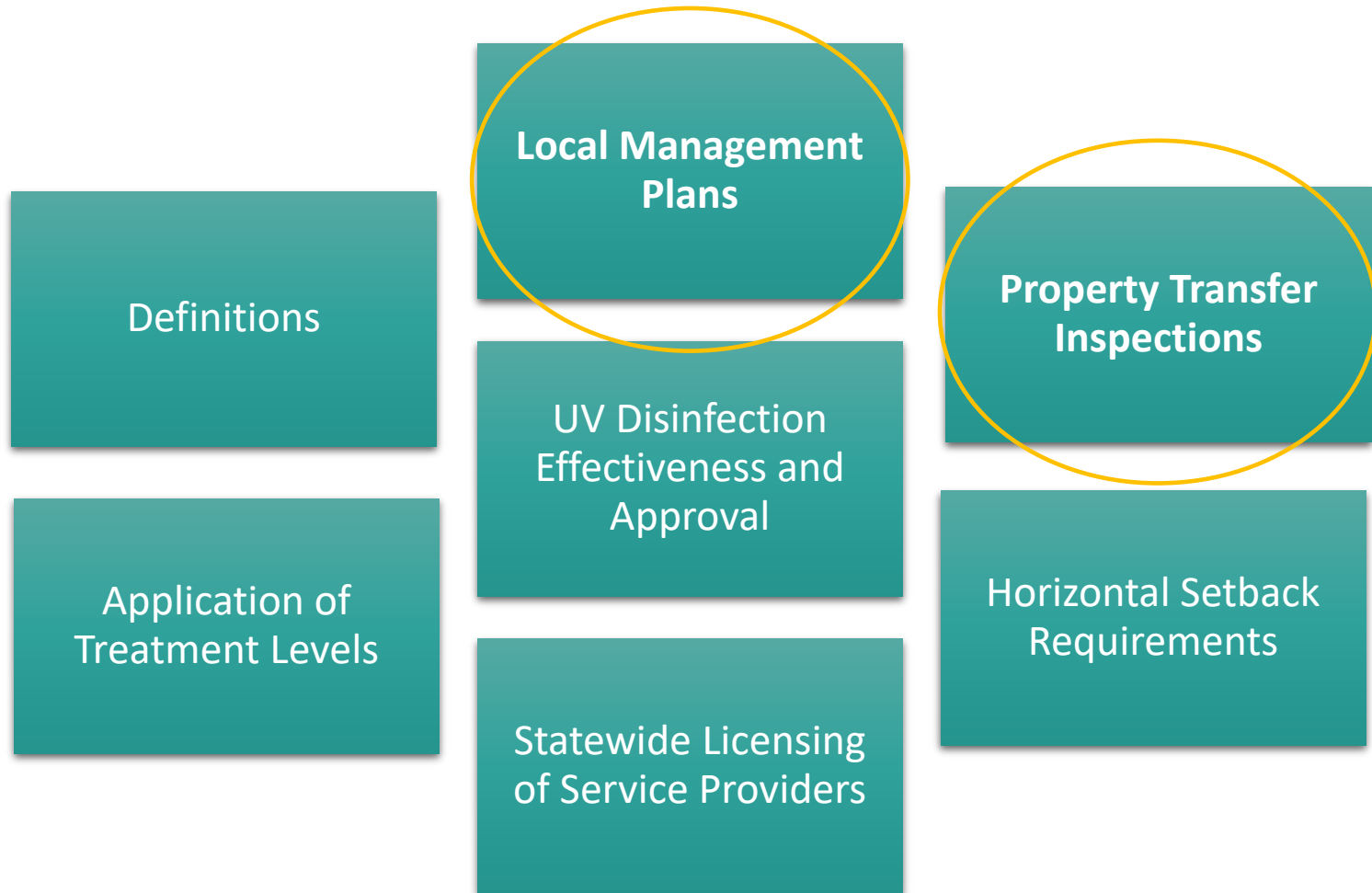
State Board of Health  
Directs DOH to Write  
Final Language

# Committee Voted on These Issues





# Biggest Issues So Far



# Local Management Plans

Local Management Plans Describe How the LHJ Will:

- Inventory OSS
- Identify sensitive areas where OSS may pose risk
- Identify OSS O&M requirements in sensitive areas
- Educate OSS owners
- Remind OSS owners to do maintenance
- Maintain Records
- Enforce OSS permit and O&M requirements
- Describe capacity of LHJ to fund activities in the plan
- Coordinate plan with the comprehensive land use plan
- Provide opportunity for public input into the plan

# Local Management Plans

Since 2007



## **Puget Counties Have**

- Been required to have robust plans and report to DOH
- Inventoried over 30,000 and repaired over 1,000 OSS in Marine Recovery Areas
- Shown the plans to be successful



## **All Other Counties Have**

- Been required to have minimal plans
- Most have not developed plans
- Largely unknown inventory and repair numbers

The committee recommended requiring robust local management plans statewide.  
Local health representatives unanimously voted against the recommendation.

# Property Transfer Inspections

Property Transfer Inspections are:

- An inspection of the OSS required at the time of sale or other transfer of property
- Permitted by the current regulation
- Required by 11 Puget counties
- Required by 4 non-Puget counties



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With a narrow majority the committee approved a recommendation to require property transfer inspections statewide.

# Yet to Come

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- 2 to 3 additional stakeholder committee meetings through summer 2019
- **SBOH briefing on initial draft** rule revision recommendations – late summer 2019
- Draft revised rules and hold statewide workshops – fall 2019
- **SBOH briefing on final draft** rule revision recommendations – winter 2020
- File CR102 – spring 2020
- File CR103 – summer 2020 (rule effective one year later for training purposes)

Questions?

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