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PQ 41957/22* To ask the Minister for Health if a system exists for the HSE to purchase a modified home from a person with a serious illness and allow them to remain in their home for their lifetime and use the home later for another person with similar needs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Réada Cronin

Dear Deputy Cronin,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

There is no system that enables the HSE to purchase a modified home from a person with a serious illness and allow them to remain in their home for their lifetime and then use the home later for another person with similar needs.

If HSE Services identify a particular requirement for residential properties, a request is made to the local HSE Capital and Estates department to work with the service to source suitable accommodation. This involves a review of the HSE existing property portfolio and other options on the market either to rent or buy.

When a property is identified on behalf of the Services, Capital and Estates will carry out a full technical evaluation to determine if the property meets the needs of the service and if any remedial work is required. A submission is then made to the HSE National Property Review Group for approval to buy or enter into a lease agreement. All such property transactions are governed by the HSE Property Manual and Approvals Protocol.

Yours sincerely,

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