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## THIS MORNING WITH ANEESH

Thanks to the stimulus package, Virginia Gov. **Tim Kaine** has \$2.9 billion in discretionary funds to spend. So where will they go? State CTO **Aneesh Chopra** told the NVTC B2G Committee **this morning** that the state is allowing residents to submit proposals and vote on where the **funds should go**. “It’s participatory government at its best,” Aneesh says.



We snapped this of Aneesh, who says the stimulus bill saved a number of **state tech projects** that were frozen because of an early projected budget shortfall, but will now go forward. One thing on his agenda is coming up with a national **medical information sharing** network. “We need to find a way for doctors to buy into one system instead of each state **developing its own**.”