

Proposed amendment to HB 3360

Requires the Department of Administrative Services to establish an Office of Shared Technology Services to serve agencies in achieving a more informed analysis of agency information technology problems and challenges, better decisions on potential solutions, cost effective and efficient acquisition of products and services and oversight of the acquisition, development, implementation and management of information technology projects.

Section 1 (1) The Department of Administrative Services shall establish an Office of Shared Information Technology Services for the purpose of providing state agencies with direction, advice and direct assistance relating to: the assessment of an agency's technology requirements; staffing requirements; hardware acquisition strategies; evaluation of alternative technology solutions; purchasing products and services; architecture and project management oversight and, when needed, contracting for services and products.

(2) Any development or acquisition of information technology related services, materials or equipment by small to medium sized agencies shall require the review and the approval of the Office of Shared Information Technology Services to assure that agency information technology plans and activities are addressed in the most efficient and cost effective manner to maximize the value of information technology investments.

(3) For the purpose of this section, small to medium sized agencies are defined as those with 100 or fewer full time equivalent employees

Section 2(1) The Department of Administrative Services shall determine the staffing requirements of the Office of Shared Information Technology and shall develop a plan to staff the Office of Shared Information Technology Services from existing information technology positions in state government.

(2) The department shall staff the Office of Administrative Services with personnel having expertise in the current software and hardware technologies that are available to respond to a variety of agency needs, as well as expertise in acquiring and developing new technologies, architecture and project management and contracting with private sector vendors as may be needed.

(3) The Department of Administrative Services shall provide such ongoing training and education experience to the staff of the Office of Shared Information Technology as may be necessary for the staff to fulfill their responsibilities.

(3) The Department of Administrative Services shall develop a fee schedule to charge the cost of maintaining and operating the Office of Shared Information Technology to agencies that utilize the services offered.

(4) Moneys paid by user agencies are continuously appropriated and are available solely for the purposes of funding the responsibilities of the Office of Shared Information Technology.

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