
**General Government & Information
Technology Committee**

HB 1391

Brief Description: Aligning functions of the consolidated technology services agency, office of the chief information officer, and department of enterprise services.

Sponsors: Representatives Hudgins, MacEwen, Parker, Appleton and Magendanz; by request of Office of Financial Management.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Transfers all duties and functions relating to information technology in the Office of Financial Management, the Office of the Chief Information Officer, and the Department of Enterprise Services to the Consolidated Technology Services Agency.
- Specifies that the Director of the Consolidated Technology Services Agency is also the State Chief Information Officer.

Hearing Date: 1/30/15

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Background:

In 2011 a bill was enacted to reorganize and streamline the central service functions, powers, and duties of state government, including information technology functions. The Department of Information Services was abolished and its functions were transferred to the Office of Financial Management under the newly created Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO), the newly created Department of Enterprise Services (DES), and the newly created Consolidated Technology Services Agency (CTS).

Office of the Chief Information Officer

The OCIO is headed by the Chief Information Officer. The primary duties of the OCIO include: (1) preparing and leading the implementation of a strategic direction and enterprise architecture

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for information technology (IT) for state government; (2) enabling the standardization and consolidation of IT infrastructure to support enterprise-based system development and to improve and maintain service delivery; (3) establishing standards and policies for IT services throughout state government; and (4) establishing statewide architecture to serve as the organizing standard for IT for state agencies.

Department of Enterprise Services

The DES provides IT services and application functions, such as the central personnel-payroll system and financial management system. The DES manages the Data Processing Revolving Account established to pay for equipment, supplies, services, salaries, wages, and other costs related to the implementation of information services and telecommunications systems. The DES also is authorized to become a licensed certification authority as part of the system for authenticating digital signatures under the requirements of the Electronic Authentication Act.

Consolidated Technology Services Agency

The CTS provides information services to public agencies and public benefit nonprofit corporations. The CTS operates the state data center and offers IT services, including mainframe computing, network operations and telecommunication, shared email, IT security, and storage.

Summary of Bill:

Functions and duties of the OCIO and the IT functions of the DES are transferred to the CTS. The Director of the CTS is also the State Chief Information Officer (SCIO). The duties of the SCIO include:

- establish standards and policies to govern information technology in the state of Washington
- develop statewide standards and policies governing software, and technology-related equipment and services;
- develop statewide or interagency technical policies, standards, and procedures;
- review and approve standards and common specifications for new or expanded telecommunications;
- provide direction concerning strategic planning goals and objectives for the state;
- establish policies for the periodic review of state agency performance related to IT;
- coordinate annual information technology expenditures exceeding ten million dollars; and
- develop statewide standards for agency purchases of technology networking equipment and services.

The licensed certification authority for digital signatures is changed from DES to CTS.

The Data Processing Revolving Account managed by the DES is replaced with four IT revolving accounts managed by the OFM with signatory approval required by the Director of CTS. The residual balance of funds remaining in the account are apportioned to the new accounts. The new accounts are created with the following purposes:

- the CTS revolving account, for the acquisition of equipment, software, supplies, and services, and the payment of salaries, wages, and other costs related to those acquisitions;
- the statewide IT system development revolving account, for the development and acquisition of enterprise IT systems;
- the statewide IT system maintenance and operations revolving account, for maintenance and operations of enterprise IT systems; and
- the shared IT system revolving account, for development, acquisition, and maintenance of shared IT systems.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect on July 1, 2015.