



1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to information technology security;  
3           amending s. 20.61, F.S.; revising the membership of  
4           the Technology Advisory Council to include a  
5           cybersecurity expert; amending s. 282.318, F.S.;  
6           revising the duties of the Agency for State  
7           Technology; providing that risk assessments and  
8           security audits may be completed by a private vendor;  
9           providing for the establishment of computer security  
10          incident response teams within state agencies;  
11          providing for the establishment of an information  
12          technology security incident reporting process;  
13          providing for information technology security and  
14          cybersecurity awareness training; revising duties of  
15          state agency heads; establishing computer security  
16          incident response team responsibilities; establishing  
17          notification procedures and reporting timelines for an  
18          information technology security incident or breach;  
19          amending s. 282.0051, F.S.; requiring the agency to  
20          establish an information technology policy for certain  
21          state contracts; providing policy requirements;  
22          providing an effective date.

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24   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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26          Section 1.   Subsection (3) of section 20.61, Florida



27 Statutes, is amended to read:

28       20.61 Agency for State Technology.—The Agency for State  
29 Technology is created within the Department of Management  
30 Services. The agency is a separate budget program and is not  
31 subject to control, supervision, or direction by the Department  
32 of Management Services, including, but not limited to,  
33 purchasing, transactions involving real or personal property,  
34 personnel, or budgetary matters.

35       (3) The Technology Advisory Council, consisting of seven  
36 members, is established within the Agency for State Technology  
37 and shall be maintained pursuant to s. 20.052. Four members of  
38 the council shall be appointed by the Governor, two of whom must  
39 be from the private sector and one of whom must be a  
40 cybersecurity expert. The President of the Senate and the  
41 Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each appoint one  
42 member of the council. The Attorney General, the Commissioner of  
43 Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the Chief Financial  
44 Officer shall jointly appoint one member by agreement of a  
45 majority of these officers. Upon initial establishment of the  
46 council, two of the Governor's appointments shall be for 2-year  
47 terms. Thereafter, all appointments shall be for 4-year terms.

48       (a) The council shall consider and make recommendations to  
49 the executive director on such matters as enterprise information  
50 technology policies, standards, services, and architecture. The  
51 council may also identify and recommend opportunities for the  
52 establishment of public-private partnerships when considering



53 | technology infrastructure and services in order to accelerate  
54 | project delivery and provide a source of new or increased  
55 | project funding.

56 |       (b) The executive director shall consult with the council  
57 | with regard to executing the duties and responsibilities of the  
58 | agency related to statewide information technology strategic  
59 | planning and policy.

60 |       (c) The council shall be governed by the Code of Ethics  
61 | for Public Officers and Employees as set forth in part III of  
62 | chapter 112, and each member must file a statement of financial  
63 | interests pursuant to s. 112.3145.

64 |       Section 2. Subsections (3) and (4) of section 282.318,  
65 | Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

66 |       282.318 Security of data and information technology.—

67 |       (3) The Agency for State Technology is responsible for  
68 | establishing standards and processes consistent with generally  
69 | accepted best practices for information technology security, to  
70 | include cybersecurity, and adopting rules that safeguard an  
71 | agency's data, information, and information technology resources  
72 | to ensure availability, confidentiality, and integrity and to  
73 | mitigate risks. The agency shall also:

74 |       (a) Develop, and annually update by February 1, a  
75 | statewide information technology security strategic plan that  
76 | includes security goals and objectives for the strategic issues  
77 | of information technology security policy, risk management,  
78 | training, incident management, and disaster recovery planning.



79 (b) Develop and publish for use by state agencies an  
80 information technology security framework that, at a minimum,  
81 includes guidelines and processes for:

82 1. Establishing asset management procedures to ensure that  
83 an agency's information technology resources are identified and  
84 managed consistent with their relative importance to the  
85 agency's business objectives.

86 2. Using a standard risk assessment methodology that  
87 includes the identification of an agency's priorities,  
88 constraints, risk tolerances, and assumptions necessary to  
89 support operational risk decisions.

90 3. Completing comprehensive risk assessments and  
91 information technology security audits, which may be completed  
92 by a private sector vendor, and submitting completed assessments  
93 and audits to the Agency for State Technology.

94 4. Identifying protection procedures to manage the  
95 protection of an agency's information, data, and information  
96 technology resources.

97 5. Establishing procedures for accessing information and  
98 data to ensure the confidentiality, integrity, and availability  
99 of such information and data.

100 6. Detecting threats through proactive monitoring of  
101 events, continuous security monitoring, and defined detection  
102 processes.

103 7. Establishing agency computer security incident response  
104 teams and describing their responsibilities for responding to



105 information technology security incidents, including breaches of  
106 personal information containing confidential or exempt data.

107 8. Recovering information and data in response to an  
108 information technology security incident. The recovery may  
109 include recommended improvements to the agency processes,  
110 policies, or guidelines.

111 9. Establishing an information technology security  
112 incident reporting process that includes procedures and tiered  
113 reporting timeframes for notifying the Agency for State  
114 Technology and the Department of Law Enforcement of information  
115 technology security incidents. The tiered reporting timeframes  
116 shall be based upon the level of severity of the information  
117 technology security incidents being reported.

118 10. Incorporating information obtained through detection  
119 and response activities into the agency's information technology  
120 security incident response plans.

121 ~~11.9.~~ Developing agency strategic and operational  
122 information technology security plans required pursuant to this  
123 section.

124 ~~12.10.~~ Establishing the managerial, operational, and  
125 technical safeguards for protecting state government data and  
126 information technology resources that align with the state  
127 agency risk management strategy and that protect the  
128 confidentiality, integrity, and availability of information and  
129 data.

130 (c) Assist state agencies in complying with this section.



131 (d) In collaboration with the Cybercrime Office of the  
132 Department of Law Enforcement, annually provide training for  
133 state agency information security managers and computer security  
134 incident response team members that contains training on  
135 information technology security, including cybersecurity,  
136 threats, trends, and best practices.

137 (e) Annually review the strategic and operational  
138 information technology security plans of executive branch  
139 agencies.

140 (4) Each state agency head shall, at a minimum:

141 (a) Designate an information security manager to  
142 administer the information technology security program of the  
143 state agency. This designation must be provided annually in  
144 writing to the Agency for State Technology by January 1. A state  
145 agency's information security manager, for purposes of these  
146 information security duties, shall report directly to the agency  
147 head.

148 (b) In consultation with the Agency for State Technology  
149 and the Cybercrime Office of the Department of Law Enforcement,  
150 establish an agency computer security incident response team to  
151 respond to an information technology security incident. The  
152 agency computer security incident response team shall convene  
153 upon notification of an information technology security incident  
154 and must comply with all applicable guidelines and processes  
155 established pursuant to paragraph (3) (b).

156 (c) ~~(b)~~ Submit to the Agency for State Technology annually



157 | by July 31, the state agency's strategic and operational  
158 | information technology security plans developed pursuant to  
159 | rules and guidelines established by the Agency for State  
160 | Technology.

161 |         1. The state agency strategic information technology  
162 | security plan must cover a 3-year period and, at a minimum,  
163 | define security goals, intermediate objectives, and projected  
164 | agency costs for the strategic issues of agency information  
165 | security policy, risk management, security training, security  
166 | incident response, and disaster recovery. The plan must be based  
167 | on the statewide information technology security strategic plan  
168 | created by the Agency for State Technology and include  
169 | performance metrics that can be objectively measured to reflect  
170 | the status of the state agency's progress in meeting security  
171 | goals and objectives identified in the agency's strategic  
172 | information security plan.

173 |         2. The state agency operational information technology  
174 | security plan must include a progress report that objectively  
175 | measures progress made towards the prior operational information  
176 | technology security plan and a project plan that includes  
177 | activities, timelines, and deliverables for security objectives  
178 | that the state agency will implement during the current fiscal  
179 | year.

180 |         (d)~~(e)~~ Conduct, and update every 3 years, a comprehensive  
181 | risk assessment, which may be completed by a private sector  
182 | vendor, to determine the security threats to the data,



183 | information, and information technology resources, including  
184 | mobile devices and print environments, of the agency. The risk  
185 | assessment must comply with the risk assessment methodology  
186 | developed by the Agency for State Technology and is confidential  
187 | and exempt from s. 119.07(1), except that such information shall  
188 | be available to the Auditor General, the Agency for State  
189 | Technology, the Cybercrime Office of the Department of Law  
190 | Enforcement, and, for state agencies under the jurisdiction of  
191 | the Governor, the Chief Inspector General.

192 |       (e)~~(d)~~ Develop, and periodically update, written internal  
193 | policies and procedures, which include procedures for reporting  
194 | information technology security incidents and breaches to the  
195 | Cybercrime Office of the Department of Law Enforcement and the  
196 | Agency for State Technology. Such policies and procedures must  
197 | be consistent with the rules, guidelines, and processes  
198 | established by the Agency for State Technology to ensure the  
199 | security of the data, information, and information technology  
200 | resources of the agency. The internal policies and procedures  
201 | that, if disclosed, could facilitate the unauthorized  
202 | modification, disclosure, or destruction of data or information  
203 | technology resources are confidential information and exempt  
204 | from s. 119.07(1), except that such information shall be  
205 | available to the Auditor General, the Cybercrime Office of the  
206 | Department of Law Enforcement, the Agency for State Technology,  
207 | and, for state agencies under the jurisdiction of the Governor,  
208 | the Chief Inspector General.





209        (f)~~(e)~~ Implement managerial, operational, and technical  
210 safeguards and risk assessment remediation plans recommended  
211 ~~established~~ by the Agency for State Technology to address  
212 identified risks to the data, information, and information  
213 technology resources of the agency.

214        (g)~~(f)~~ Ensure that periodic internal audits and  
215 evaluations of the agency's information technology security  
216 program for the data, information, and information technology  
217 resources of the agency are conducted. The results of such  
218 audits and evaluations are confidential information and exempt  
219 from s. 119.07(1), except that such information shall be  
220 available to the Auditor General, the Cybercrime Office of the  
221 Department of Law Enforcement, the Agency for State Technology,  
222 and, for agencies under the jurisdiction of the Governor, the  
223 Chief Inspector General.

224        (h)~~(g)~~ Include appropriate information technology security  
225 requirements in the written specifications for the solicitation  
226 of information technology and information technology resources  
227 and services, which are consistent with the rules and guidelines  
228 established by the Agency for State Technology in collaboration  
229 with the Department of Management Services.

230        (i)~~(h)~~ Provide information technology security and  
231 cybersecurity awareness training to all state agency employees  
232 in the first 30 days after commencing employment concerning  
233 information technology security risks and the responsibility of  
234 employees to comply with policies, standards, guidelines, and



235 | operating procedures adopted by the state agency to reduce those  
236 | risks. The training may be provided in collaboration with the  
237 | Cybercrime Office of the Department of Law Enforcement.

238 |       ~~(j)(i)~~ Develop a process for detecting, reporting, and  
239 | responding to threats, breaches, or information technology  
240 | security incidents that are consistent with the security rules,  
241 | guidelines, and processes established by the Agency for State  
242 | Technology.

243 |       1. All information technology security incidents and  
244 | breaches must be reported to the Agency for State Technology and  
245 | the Cybercrime Office of the Department of Law Enforcement and  
246 | must comply with the notification procedures and reporting  
247 | timeframes established pursuant to paragraph (3)(b).

248 |       2. For information technology security breaches, state  
249 | agencies shall provide notice in accordance with s. 501.171.

250 |       Section 3. Subsection (18) of section 282.0051, Florida  
251 | Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (19), and a new subsection  
252 | (18) is added to that section to read:

253 |       282.0051 Agency for State Technology; powers, duties, and  
254 | functions.—The Agency for State Technology shall have the  
255 | following powers, duties, and functions:

256 |       (18) In collaboration with the Department of Management  
257 | Services:

258 |       (a) Establish an information technology policy for all  
259 | information technology-related state contracts, including state  
260 | term contracts for information technology commodities,



261 consultant services, and staff augmentation services. The  
262 information technology policy must include:

263 1. Identification of the information technology product  
264 and service categories to be included in state term contracts.

265 2. Requirements to be included in solicitations for state  
266 term contracts.

267 3. Evaluation criteria for the award of information  
268 technology-related state term contracts.

269 4. The term of each information technology-related state  
270 term contract.

271 5. The maximum number of vendors authorized on each state  
272 term contract.

273 (b) Evaluate vendor responses for state term contract  
274 solicitations and invitations to negotiate.

275 (c) Answer vendor questions on state term contract  
276 solicitations.

277 (d) Ensure that the information technology policy  
278 established pursuant to paragraph (a) is included in all  
279 solicitations and contracts which are administratively executed  
280 by the department.

281 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.