

Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

HB 7073 — Information Technology Governance

by Appropriations Committee; and Rep. McKeel and others (CS/SB 928 by Appropriations Committee; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee)

The bill establishes an enterprise information technology (IT) governance structure within the executive branch. Specifically the bill:

- Creates the Agency for State Technology (AST), administratively housed within the Department of Management Services (DMS), with an executive director who serves as the state's chief information officer, appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate.
- Defines the duties and responsibilities of the AST to include:
 - o developing and implementing IT architecture standards,
 - o establishing project management and oversight standards,
 - o performing project oversight on agency IT projects of \$10 million or more,
 - o providing operational management and oversight of the state data center,
 - o identifying opportunities for standardization and consolidation of IT services that support common business functions,
 - o recommending additional consolidations of agency data centers or computing facilities, and
 - o performing project oversight on any cabinet agency IT project that has a total project cost of \$50 million or more and impacts another agency or agencies.
- Authorizes a type two transfer of all records, property, unexpended balances of appropriations, administrative authority, specified administrative rules, pending issues, and existing contracts of the Agency for Enterprise Information Technology to the AST.
- Creates the state data center, and authorizes a type two transfer of the Northwood and Southwood Shared Resource Centers from the DMS to the AST.
- Establishes the Technology Advisory Council within the AST for purposes of making recommendations to the executive director of the AST.
- Clarifies the IT security duties of the AST, individual agencies, and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's Cybercrime Office.
- Requires the AST to conduct a feasibility study and to provide recommendations managing state government data.
- Repeals sections of law relating to the AEIT, the NSRC and the SSRC; energy efficient standards for data centers; and statewide e-mail service.

For the 2014-2015 fiscal year, \$3,563,573 in recurring general revenue funds, \$1,095,005 in nonrecurring general revenue funds, and 25 full time equivalent positions with associated salary rate of 2,083,481 are appropriated to the AST.

For the 2014-2015 fiscal year, \$144,870 in recurring general revenue funds, \$7,546 in nonrecurring general revenue funds, and 2 full time equivalent positions with associated salary rate of 93,120 are appropriated to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2014.

Vote: Senate 37-0; House 116-0