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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to cybersecurity; amending s. 20.055,  
3       F.S.; requiring certain audit plans of an inspector  
4       general to include certain information; amending s.  
5       282.0041, F.S.; revising and providing definitions;  
6       amending ss. 282.0051, 282.201, and 282.206, F.S.;  
7       revising provisions to replace references to  
8       information technology security with references to  
9       cybersecurity; amending s. 282.318, F.S.; revising  
10      provisions to replace references to information  
11      technology security and computer security with  
12      references to cybersecurity; revising a short title;  
13      providing that the Department of Management Services,  
14      acting through the Florida Digital Service, is the  
15      lead entity for the purpose of certain  
16      responsibilities; providing and revising requirements  
17      for the department, acting through the Florida Digital  
18      Service; providing that the state chief information  
19      security officer is responsible for state technology  
20      systems and shall be notified of certain incidents and  
21      threats; revising requirements for state agency heads;  
22      requiring the department, through the Florida Digital  
23      Service, to track the implementation by state agencies  
24      of certain plans; creating s. 282.319, F.S.; creating  
25      the Florida Cybersecurity Advisory Council within the  
26      Department of Management Services; providing the  
27      purpose of the council; requiring the council to  
28      provide certain assistance to the Florida Digital  
29      Service; providing for the membership of the council;

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30 providing for terms of council members; providing that  
31 the Secretary of Management Services, or his or her  
32 designee, shall serve as the ex officio, nonvoting  
33 executive director of the council; providing that  
34 members shall serve without compensation but are  
35 entitled to reimbursement for per diem and travel  
36 expenses; requiring council members to maintain the  
37 confidential or exempt status of information received;  
38 prohibiting council members from using information not  
39 otherwise public for their own personal gain;  
40 requiring council members to sign an agreement  
41 acknowledging certain provisions; requiring the  
42 council to meet at least quarterly for certain  
43 purposes; requiring the council to work with certain  
44 entities to identify certain local infrastructure  
45 sectors and critical cyber infrastructure; requiring  
46 the council to submit an annual report to the  
47 Legislature; providing an effective date.

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

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51 Section 1. Paragraph (i) of subsection (6) of section  
52 20.055, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

53 20.055 Agency inspectors general.—

54 (6) In carrying out the auditing duties and  
55 responsibilities of this act, each inspector general shall  
56 review and evaluate internal controls necessary to ensure the  
57 fiscal accountability of the state agency. The inspector general  
58 shall conduct financial, compliance, electronic data processing,

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59 and performance audits of the agency and prepare audit reports  
60 of his or her findings. The scope and assignment of the audits  
61 shall be determined by the inspector general; however, the  
62 agency head may at any time request the inspector general to  
63 perform an audit of a special program, function, or  
64 organizational unit. The performance of the audit shall be under  
65 the direction of the inspector general, except that if the  
66 inspector general does not possess the qualifications specified  
67 in subsection (4), the director of auditing shall perform the  
68 functions listed in this subsection.

69 (i) The inspector general shall develop long-term and  
70 annual audit plans based on the findings of periodic risk  
71 assessments. The plan, where appropriate, should include  
72 postaudit samplings of payments and accounts. The plan shall  
73 show the individual audits to be conducted during each year and  
74 related resources to be devoted to the respective audits. The  
75 plan shall include a specific cybersecurity audit plan. The  
76 Chief Financial Officer, to assist in fulfilling the  
77 responsibilities for examining, auditing, and settling accounts,  
78 claims, and demands pursuant to s. 17.03(1), and examining,  
79 auditing, adjusting, and settling accounts pursuant to s. 17.04,  
80 may use audits performed by the inspectors general and internal  
81 auditors. For state agencies under the jurisdiction of the  
82 Governor, the audit plans shall be submitted to the Chief  
83 Inspector General. The plan shall be submitted to the agency  
84 head for approval. A copy of the approved plan shall be  
85 submitted to the Auditor General.

86 Section 2. Present subsections (8) through (21) of section  
87 282.0041, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (9)

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88 through (22), respectively, a new subsection (8) is added to  
89 that section, and present subsection (22) of that section is  
90 amended, to read:

91 282.0041 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, the term:

92 (8) "Cybersecurity" means the protection afforded to an  
93 automated information system in order to attain the applicable  
94 objectives of preserving the confidentiality, integrity, and  
95 availability of data, information, and information technology  
96 resources.

97 ~~(22) "Information technology security" means the protection~~  
98 ~~afforded to an automated information system in order to attain~~  
99 ~~the applicable objectives of preserving the integrity,~~  
100 ~~availability, and confidentiality of data, information, and~~  
101 ~~information technology resources.~~

102 Section 3. Paragraph (j) of subsection (1) of section  
103 282.0051, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

104 282.0051 Department of Management Services; Florida Digital  
105 Service; powers, duties, and functions.—

106 (1) The Florida Digital Service has been created within the  
107 department to propose innovative solutions that securely  
108 modernize state government, including technology and information  
109 services, to achieve value through digital transformation and  
110 interoperability, and to fully support the cloud-first policy as  
111 specified in s. 282.206. The department, through the Florida  
112 Digital Service, shall have the following powers, duties, and  
113 functions:

114 (j) Provide operational management and oversight of the  
115 state data center established pursuant to s. 282.201, which  
116 includes:

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117           1. Implementing industry standards and best practices for  
118 the state data center's facilities, operations, maintenance,  
119 planning, and management processes.

120           2. Developing and implementing cost-recovery mechanisms  
121 that recover the full direct and indirect cost of services  
122 through charges to applicable customer entities. Such cost-  
123 recovery mechanisms must comply with applicable state and  
124 federal regulations concerning distribution and use of funds and  
125 must ensure that, for any fiscal year, no service or customer  
126 entity subsidizes another service or customer entity. The  
127 Florida Digital Service may recommend other payment mechanisms  
128 to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the  
129 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Such  
130 mechanism may be implemented only if specifically authorized by  
131 the Legislature.

132           3. Developing and implementing appropriate operating  
133 guidelines and procedures necessary for the state data center to  
134 perform its duties pursuant to s. 282.201. The guidelines and  
135 procedures must comply with applicable state and federal laws,  
136 regulations, and policies and conform to generally accepted  
137 governmental accounting and auditing standards. The guidelines  
138 and procedures must include, but need not be limited to:

139           a. Implementing a consolidated administrative support  
140 structure responsible for providing financial management,  
141 procurement, transactions involving real or personal property,  
142 human resources, and operational support.

143           b. Implementing an annual reconciliation process to ensure  
144 that each customer entity is paying for the full direct and  
145 indirect cost of each service as determined by the customer

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146 entity's use of each service.

147 c. Providing rebates that may be credited against future  
148 billings to customer entities when revenues exceed costs.

149 d. Requiring customer entities to validate that sufficient  
150 funds exist in the appropriate data processing appropriation  
151 category or will be transferred into the appropriate data  
152 processing appropriation category before implementation of a  
153 customer entity's request for a change in the type or level of  
154 service provided, if such change results in a net increase to  
155 the customer entity's cost for that fiscal year.

156 e. By November 15 of each year, providing to the Office of  
157 Policy and Budget in the Executive Office of the Governor and to  
158 the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees the  
159 projected costs of providing data center services for the  
160 following fiscal year.

161 f. Providing a plan for consideration by the Legislative  
162 Budget Commission if the cost of a service is increased for a  
163 reason other than a customer entity's request made pursuant to  
164 sub-subparagraph d. Such a plan is required only if the service  
165 cost increase results in a net increase to a customer entity for  
166 that fiscal year.

167 g. Standardizing and consolidating procurement and  
168 contracting practices.

169 4. In collaboration with the Department of Law Enforcement,  
170 developing and implementing a process for detecting, reporting,  
171 and responding to cybersecurity ~~information technology security~~  
172 incidents, breaches, and threats.

173 5. Adopting rules relating to the operation of the state  
174 data center, including, but not limited to, budgeting and

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175 accounting procedures, cost-recovery methodologies, and  
176 operating procedures.

177 Section 4. Paragraph (g) of subsection (1) of section  
178 282.201, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

179 282.201 State data center.—The state data center is  
180 established within the department. The provision of data center  
181 services must comply with applicable state and federal laws,  
182 regulations, and policies, including all applicable security,  
183 privacy, and auditing requirements. The department shall appoint  
184 a director of the state data center, preferably an individual  
185 who has experience in leading data center facilities and has  
186 expertise in cloud-computing management.

187 (1) STATE DATA CENTER DUTIES.—The state data center shall:

188 (g) In its procurement process, show preference for cloud-  
189 computing solutions that minimize or do not require the  
190 purchasing, financing, or leasing of state data center  
191 infrastructure, and that meet the needs of customer agencies,  
192 that reduce costs, and that meet or exceed the applicable state  
193 and federal laws, regulations, and standards for cybersecurity  
194 ~~information technology security~~.

195 Section 5. Subsection (2) of section 282.206, Florida  
196 Statutes, is amended to read:

197 282.206 Cloud-first policy in state agencies.—

198 (2) In its procurement process, each state agency shall  
199 show a preference for cloud-computing solutions that either  
200 minimize or do not require the use of state data center  
201 infrastructure when cloud-computing solutions meet the needs of  
202 the agency, reduce costs, and meet or exceed the applicable  
203 state and federal laws, regulations, and standards for

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204 ~~cybersecurity information technology security.~~

205 Section 6. Section 282.318, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
206 read:

207 282.318 Cybersecurity ~~Security of data and information~~  
208 ~~technology.~~

209 (1) This section may be cited as the "State Cybersecurity  
210 Act." ~~"Information Technology Security Act."~~

211 (2) As used in this section, the term "state agency" has  
212 the same meaning as provided in s. 282.0041, except that the  
213 term includes the Department of Legal Affairs, the Department of  
214 Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the Department of  
215 Financial Services.

216 (3) The department, acting through the Florida Digital  
217 Service, is the lead entity responsible for establishing  
218 standards and processes for assessing state agency cybersecurity  
219 risks and determining appropriate security measures. Such  
220 standards and processes must be consistent with generally  
221 accepted technology best practices, including the National  
222 Institute for Standards and Technology Cybersecurity Framework,  
223 for cybersecurity. The department, acting through the Florida  
224 Digital Service, shall adopt information technology security, to  
225 ~~include cybersecurity, and adopting~~ rules that mitigate risks;  
226 safeguard state agency digital assets, an agency's data,  
227 information, and information technology resources to ensure  
228 availability, confidentiality, and integrity; and support a  
229 security governance framework and to mitigate risks. The  
230 department, acting through the Florida Digital Service, shall  
231 also:

232 (a) Designate an employee of the Florida Digital Service as

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233 the state chief information security officer. The state chief  
234 information security officer must have experience and expertise  
235 in security and risk management for communications and  
236 information technology resources. The state chief information  
237 security officer is responsible for the development, operation,  
238 and oversight of cybersecurity for state technology systems. The  
239 state chief information security officer shall be notified of  
240 all confirmed or suspected incidents or threats to state agency  
241 information technology resources and must report such incidents  
242 or threats to the state chief information officer and the  
243 Governor.

244 (b) Develop, and annually update by February 1, a statewide  
245 cybersecurity information technology security strategic plan  
246 that includes security goals and objectives for cybersecurity,  
247 including the identification and mitigation of risk, proactive  
248 protections against threats, tactical risk detection, threat  
249 reporting, and response and recovery protocols for a cyber  
250 incident ~~the strategic issues of information technology security~~  
251 ~~policy, risk management, training, incident management, and~~  
252 ~~disaster recovery planning.~~

253 (c) Develop and publish for use by state agencies a  
254 cybersecurity governance ~~an information technology security~~  
255 framework that, at a minimum, includes guidelines and processes  
256 for:

257 1. Establishing asset management procedures to ensure that  
258 an agency's information technology resources are identified and  
259 managed consistent with their relative importance to the  
260 agency's business objectives.

261 2. Using a standard risk assessment methodology that

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262 includes the identification of an agency's priorities,  
263 constraints, risk tolerances, and assumptions necessary to  
264 support operational risk decisions.

265 3. Completing comprehensive risk assessments and  
266 cybersecurity ~~information technology security~~ audits, which may  
267 be completed by a private sector vendor, and submitting  
268 completed assessments and audits to the department.

269 4. Identifying protection procedures to manage the  
270 protection of an agency's information, data, and information  
271 technology resources.

272 5. Establishing procedures for accessing information and  
273 data to ensure the confidentiality, integrity, and availability  
274 of such information and data.

275 6. Detecting threats through proactive monitoring of  
276 events, continuous security monitoring, and defined detection  
277 processes.

278 7. Establishing agency cybersecurity ~~computer security~~  
279 incident response teams and describing their responsibilities  
280 for responding to cybersecurity ~~information technology security~~  
281 incidents, including breaches of personal information containing  
282 confidential or exempt data.

283 8. Recovering information and data in response to a  
284 cybersecurity ~~an information technology security~~ incident. The  
285 recovery may include recommended improvements to the agency  
286 processes, policies, or guidelines.

287 9. Establishing a cybersecurity ~~an information technology~~  
288 ~~security~~ incident reporting process that includes procedures and  
289 tiered reporting timeframes for notifying the department and the  
290 Department of Law Enforcement of cybersecurity ~~information~~

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291 ~~technology security~~ incidents. The tiered reporting timeframes  
292 shall be based upon the level of severity of the cybersecurity  
293 ~~information technology security~~ incidents being reported.

294 10. Incorporating information obtained through detection  
295 and response activities into the agency's cybersecurity  
296 ~~information technology security~~ incident response plans.

297 11. Developing agency strategic and operational  
298 cybersecurity information technology security plans required  
299 pursuant to this section.

300 12. Establishing the managerial, operational, and technical  
301 safeguards for protecting state government data and information  
302 technology resources that align with the state agency risk  
303 management strategy and that protect the confidentiality,  
304 integrity, and availability of information and data.

305 13. Establishing procedures for procuring information  
306 technology commodities and services which require the commodity  
307 or service to meet the National Institute of Standards and  
308 Technology Cybersecurity Framework.

309 (d) Assist state agencies in complying with this section.

310 (e) In collaboration with the Cybercrime Office of the  
311 Department of Law Enforcement, annually provide training for  
312 state agency information security managers and computer security  
313 incident response team members that contains training on  
314 cybersecurity information technology security, including  
315 ~~cybersecurity~~ threats, trends, and best practices.

316 (f) Annually review the strategic and operational  
317 cybersecurity information technology security plans of state  
318 ~~executive branch~~ agencies.

319 (g) Provide cybersecurity training to all state agency

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320 technology professionals which develops, assesses, and documents  
321 competencies by role and skill level. The training may be  
322 provided in collaboration with the Cybercrime Office of the  
323 Department of Law Enforcement, a private sector entity, or an  
324 institution of the state university system.

325 (h) Operate and maintain a Cybersecurity Operations Center  
326 led by the state chief information security officer, which must  
327 be primarily virtual and staffed with tactical detection and  
328 incident response personnel. The Cybersecurity Operations Center  
329 shall serve as a clearinghouse for threat information and  
330 coordinate with the Department of Law Enforcement to support  
331 state agencies and their response to any confirmed or suspected  
332 cybersecurity incident.

333 (i) Lead an Emergency Support Function, ESF CYBER, under  
334 the state comprehensive emergency management plan as described  
335 in s. 252.35.

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

337 (a) Designate an information security manager to administer  
338 the cybersecurity ~~information technology security~~ program of the  
339 state agency. This designation must be provided annually in  
340 writing to the department by January 1. A state agency's  
341 information security manager, for purposes of these information  
342 security duties, shall report directly to the agency head.

343 (b) In consultation with the department, through the  
344 Florida Digital Service, and the Cybercrime Office of the  
345 Department of Law Enforcement, establish an agency cybersecurity  
346 ~~computer security incident~~ response team to respond to a  
347 cybersecurity ~~an information technology security~~ incident. The  
348 agency cybersecurity ~~computer security incident~~ response team

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349 shall convene upon notification of a cybersecurity an  
350 ~~information technology security~~ incident and must immediately  
351 report all confirmed or suspected incidents to the state chief  
352 information security officer, or his or her designee, and comply  
353 with all applicable guidelines and processes established  
354 pursuant to paragraph (3) (c).

355 (c) Submit to the department annually by July 31, the state  
356 agency's strategic and operational cybersecurity information  
357 ~~technology security~~ plans developed pursuant to rules and  
358 guidelines established by the department, through the Florida  
359 Digital Service.

360 1. The state agency strategic cybersecurity information  
361 ~~technology security~~ plan must cover a 3-year period and, at a  
362 minimum, define security goals, intermediate objectives, and  
363 projected agency costs for the strategic issues of agency  
364 information security policy, risk management, security training,  
365 security incident response, and disaster recovery. The plan must  
366 be based on the statewide cybersecurity information technology  
367 ~~security~~ strategic plan created by the department and include  
368 performance metrics that can be objectively measured to reflect  
369 the status of the state agency's progress in meeting security  
370 goals and objectives identified in the agency's strategic  
371 information security plan.

372 2. The state agency operational cybersecurity information  
373 ~~technology security~~ plan must include a progress report that  
374 objectively measures progress made towards the prior operational  
375 cybersecurity information technology security plan and a project  
376 plan that includes activities, timelines, and deliverables for  
377 security objectives that the state agency will implement during

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378 the current fiscal year.

379 (d) Conduct, and update every 3 years, a comprehensive risk  
380 assessment, which may be completed by a private sector vendor,  
381 to determine the security threats to the data, information, and  
382 information technology resources, including mobile devices and  
383 print environments, of the agency. The risk assessment must  
384 comply with the risk assessment methodology developed by the  
385 department and is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1),  
386 except that such information shall be available to the Auditor  
387 General, the Florida Digital Service within the department, the  
388 Cybercrime Office of the Department of Law Enforcement, and, for  
389 state agencies under the jurisdiction of the Governor, the Chief  
390 Inspector General. If a private sector vendor is used to  
391 complete a comprehensive risk assessment, it must attest to the  
392 validity of the risk assessment findings.

393 (e) Develop, and periodically update, written internal  
394 policies and procedures, which include procedures for reporting  
395 cybersecurity ~~information technology security~~ incidents and  
396 breaches to the Cybercrime Office of the Department of Law  
397 Enforcement and the Florida Digital Service within the  
398 department. Such policies and procedures must be consistent with  
399 the rules, guidelines, and processes established by the  
400 department to ensure the security of the data, information, and  
401 information technology resources of the agency. The internal  
402 policies and procedures that, if disclosed, could facilitate the  
403 unauthorized modification, disclosure, or destruction of data or  
404 information technology resources are confidential information  
405 and exempt from s. 119.07(1), except that such information shall  
406 be available to the Auditor General, the Cybercrime Office of

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407 the Department of Law Enforcement, the Florida Digital Service  
408 within the department, and, for state agencies under the  
409 jurisdiction of the Governor, the Chief Inspector General.

410 (f) Implement managerial, operational, and technical  
411 safeguards and risk assessment remediation plans recommended by  
412 the department to address identified risks to the data,  
413 information, and information technology resources of the agency.  
414 The department, through the Florida Digital Service, shall track  
415 implementation by state agencies upon development of such  
416 remediation plans in coordination with agency inspectors  
417 general.

418 (g) Ensure that periodic internal audits and evaluations of  
419 the agency's cybersecurity ~~information technology security~~  
420 program for the data, information, and information technology  
421 resources of the agency are conducted. The results of such  
422 audits and evaluations are confidential information and exempt  
423 from s. 119.07(1), except that such information shall be  
424 available to the Auditor General, the Cybercrime Office of the  
425 Department of Law Enforcement, the Florida Digital Service  
426 within the department, and, for agencies under the jurisdiction  
427 of the Governor, the Chief Inspector General.

428 (h) Ensure that the ~~information technology security and~~  
429 cybersecurity requirements in both the written specifications  
430 for the solicitation, contracts, and service-level agreement of  
431 information technology and information technology resources and  
432 services meet or exceed the applicable state and federal laws,  
433 regulations, and standards for ~~information technology security~~  
434 and cybersecurity, including the National Institute of Standards  
435 and Technology Cybersecurity Framework. Service-level agreements

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436 must identify service provider and state agency responsibilities  
437 for privacy and security, protection of government data,  
438 personnel background screening, and security deliverables with  
439 associated frequencies.

440 (i) Provide ~~information technology security and~~  
441 cybersecurity awareness training to all state agency employees  
442 in the first 30 days after commencing employment concerning  
443 cybersecurity information technology security risks and the  
444 responsibility of employees to comply with policies, standards,  
445 guidelines, and operating procedures adopted by the state agency  
446 to reduce those risks. The training may be provided in  
447 collaboration with the Cybercrime Office of the Department of  
448 Law Enforcement, a private sector entity, or an institution of  
449 the state university system.

450 (j) Develop a process for detecting, reporting, and  
451 responding to threats, breaches, or cybersecurity information  
452 ~~technology security~~ incidents which is consistent with the  
453 security rules, guidelines, and processes established by the  
454 department through the Florida Digital Service.

455 1. All cybersecurity information technology security  
456 incidents and breaches must be reported to the Florida Digital  
457 Service within the department and the Cybercrime Office of the  
458 Department of Law Enforcement and must comply with the  
459 notification procedures and reporting timeframes established  
460 pursuant to paragraph (3) (c).

461 2. For cybersecurity information technology security  
462 breaches, state agencies shall provide notice in accordance with  
463 s. 501.171.

464 (5) Portions of records held by a state agency which

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465 contain network schematics, hardware and software  
466 configurations, or encryption, or which identify detection,  
467 investigation, or response practices for suspected or confirmed  
468 cybersecurity ~~information technology security~~ incidents,  
469 including suspected or confirmed breaches, are confidential and  
470 exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State  
471 Constitution, if the disclosure of such records would facilitate  
472 unauthorized access to or the unauthorized modification,  
473 disclosure, or destruction of:

474 (a) Data or information, whether physical or virtual; or

475 (b) Information technology resources, which includes:

476 1. Information relating to the security of the agency's  
477 technologies, processes, and practices designed to protect  
478 networks, computers, data processing software, and data from  
479 attack, damage, or unauthorized access; or

480 2. Security information, whether physical or virtual, which  
481 relates to the agency's existing or proposed information  
482 technology systems.

483 (6) The portions of risk assessments, evaluations, external  
484 audits, and other reports of a state agency's cybersecurity  
485 ~~information technology security~~ program for the data,  
486 information, and information technology resources of the state  
487 agency which are held by a state agency are confidential and  
488 exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State  
489 Constitution if the disclosure of such portions of records would  
490 facilitate unauthorized access to or the unauthorized  
491 modification, disclosure, or destruction of:

492 (a) Data or information, whether physical or virtual; or

493 (b) Information technology resources, which include:

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494 1. Information relating to the security of the agency's  
495 technologies, processes, and practices designed to protect  
496 networks, computers, data processing software, and data from  
497 attack, damage, or unauthorized access; or

498 2. Security information, whether physical or virtual, which  
499 relates to the agency's existing or proposed information  
500 technology systems.

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502 For purposes of this subsection, "external audit" means an audit  
503 that is conducted by an entity other than the state agency that  
504 is the subject of the audit.

505 (7) Those portions of a public meeting as specified in s.  
506 286.011 which would reveal records which are confidential and  
507 exempt under subsection (5) or subsection (6) are exempt from s.  
508 286.011 and s. 24(b), Art. I of the State Constitution. No  
509 exempt portion of an exempt meeting may be off the record. All  
510 exempt portions of such meeting shall be recorded and  
511 transcribed. Such recordings and transcripts are confidential  
512 and exempt from disclosure under s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art.  
513 I of the State Constitution unless a court of competent  
514 jurisdiction, after an in camera review, determines that the  
515 meeting was not restricted to the discussion of data and  
516 information made confidential and exempt by this section. In the  
517 event of such a judicial determination, only that portion of the  
518 recording and transcript which reveals nonexempt data and  
519 information may be disclosed to a third party.

520 (8) The portions of records made confidential and exempt in  
521 subsections (5), (6), and (7) shall be available to the Auditor  
522 General, the Cybercrime Office of the Department of Law

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523 Enforcement, the Florida Digital Service within the department,  
524 and, for agencies under the jurisdiction of the Governor, the  
525 Chief Inspector General. Such portions of records may be made  
526 available to a local government, another state agency, or a  
527 federal agency for cybersecurity ~~information technology security~~  
528 purposes or in furtherance of the state agency's official  
529 duties.

530 (9) The exemptions contained in subsections (5), (6), and  
531 (7) apply to records held by a state agency before, on, or after  
532 the effective date of this exemption.

533 (10) Subsections (5), (6), and (7) are subject to the Open  
534 Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and  
535 shall stand repealed on October 2, 2025, unless reviewed and  
536 saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

537 (11) The department shall adopt rules relating to  
538 cybersecurity ~~information technology security~~ and to administer  
539 this section.

540 Section 7. Section 282.319, Florida Statutes, is created to  
541 read:

542 282.319 Florida Cybersecurity Advisory Council.-

543 (1) The Florida Cybersecurity Advisory Council, an advisory  
544 council as defined in s. 20.03(7), is created within the  
545 department. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the  
546 advisory council shall operate in a manner consistent with s.  
547 20.052.

548 (2) The purpose of the council is to assist state agencies  
549 in protecting their information technology resources from cyber  
550 threats and incidents.

551 (3) The council shall assist the Florida Digital Service in

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552 implementing best cybersecurity practices, taking into  
553 consideration the final recommendations of the Florida  
554 Cybersecurity Task Force created under chapter 2019-118, Laws of  
555 Florida.

556 (4) The council shall be comprised of the following  
557 members:

558 (a) The Lieutenant Governor or his or her designee.

559 (b) The state chief information officer.

560 (c) The state chief information security officer.

561 (d) The director of the Division of Emergency Management or  
562 his or her designee.

563 (e) A representative of the computer crime center of the  
564 Department of Law Enforcement, appointed by the executive  
565 director of the Department of Law Enforcement.

566 (f) A representative of the Florida Fusion Center of the  
567 Department of Law Enforcement, appointed by the executive  
568 director of the Department of Law Enforcement.

569 (g) The Chief Inspector General.

570 (h) A representative from the Public Service Commission.

571 (i) Up to two representatives from institutions of higher  
572 education located in this state, appointed by the Governor.

573 (j) Three representatives from critical infrastructure  
574 sectors, one of which must be from a water treatment facility,  
575 appointed by the Governor.

576 (k) Four representatives of the private sector with senior  
577 level experience in cybersecurity or software engineering from  
578 within the finance, energy, health care, and transportation  
579 sectors, appointed by the Governor.

580 (l) Two representatives with expertise on emerging

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581 technology, with one appointed by the President of the Senate  
582 and one appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
583 Representatives.

584 (5) Members shall serve for a term of 4 years; however, for  
585 the purpose of providing staggered terms, the initial  
586 appointments of members made by the Governor shall be for a term  
587 of 2 years. A vacancy shall be filled for the remainder of the  
588 unexpired term in the same manner as the initial appointment.  
589 All members of the council are eligible for reappointment.

590 (6) The Secretary of Management Services, or his or her  
591 designee, shall serve as the ex officio, nonvoting executive  
592 director of the council.

593 (7) Members of the council shall serve without compensation  
594 but are entitled to receive reimbursement for per diem and  
595 travel expenses pursuant to s. 112.061.

596 (8) Members of the council shall maintain the confidential  
597 or exempt status of information received in the performance of  
598 their duties and responsibilities as members of the council. In  
599 accordance with s. 112.313, a current or former member of the  
600 council may not disclose or use information not available to the  
601 general public and gained by reason of their official position,  
602 except for information relating exclusively to governmental  
603 practices, for their personal gain or benefit or for the  
604 personal gain or benefit of any other person or business entity.  
605 Members shall sign an agreement acknowledging the provisions of  
606 this subsection.

607 (9) The council shall meet at least quarterly to:

608 (a) Review existing state agency cybersecurity policies.

609 (b) Assess ongoing risks to state agency information

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610 technology.

611 (c) Recommend a reporting and information sharing system to  
612 notify state agencies of new risks.

613 (d) Recommend data breach simulation exercises.

614 (e) Assist the Florida Digital Service in developing  
615 cybersecurity best practice recommendations for state agencies  
616 which include recommendations regarding:

617 1. Continuous risk monitoring.

618 2. Password management.

619 3. Protecting data in legacy and new systems.

620 (f) Examine inconsistencies between state and federal law  
621 regarding cybersecurity.

622 (10) The council shall work with the National Institute of  
623 Standards and Technology and other federal agencies, private  
624 sector businesses, and private cybersecurity experts:

625 (a) For critical infrastructure not covered by federal law,  
626 to identify which local infrastructure sectors are at the  
627 greatest risk of cyber attacks and need the most enhanced  
628 cybersecurity measures.

629 (b) To use federal guidance to identify categories of  
630 critical infrastructure as critical cyber infrastructure if  
631 cyber damage or unauthorized cyber access to the infrastructure  
632 could reasonably result in catastrophic consequences.

633 (11) Beginning June 30, 2022, and each June 30 thereafter,  
634 the council shall submit to the President of the Senate and the  
635 Speaker of the House of Representatives any legislative  
636 recommendations considered necessary by the council to address  
637 cybersecurity.

638 Section 8. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.