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The Committee on Appropriations (Harrell) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

Between lines 1391 and 1392
insert:

(j) Develop and maintain standards, performance metrics, and evaluation tools to measure the performance of information technology vendors that provide information technology commodities or services to the state. The standards, metrics, and tools must:

1. Be organized by vendor category, reflecting the



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different roles, services, and risk profiles of information technology vendors, including, but not limited to, software, cloud services, infrastructure, cybersecurity, systems integration, and professional services.

2. Include objective, measurable criteria to assess vendor performance, which criteria may include timeliness, quality of deliverables, cost control, compliance with contract requirements, security and privacy practices, responsiveness, and customer satisfaction.

3. Provide for the collection and analysis of performance data across state agencies to support consistent and comparable evaluations.

4. Support a scoring mechanism that may be used in procurement and contract management processes, including the identification of vendors eligible for inclusion on a preferred vendors list established by DIGIT.

5. Provide for the public availability of the preferred vendors list, including vendor rankings by category, in a manner determined by DIGIT.

6. Require that, to the extent permitted by law, priority consideration in future procurements be given to vendors on the preferred vendors list based on performance ranking and cost, as applicable to the procurement method used.

7. Be periodically reviewed and updated to reflect evolving technology, market conditions, and state needs.