



Update on IT Governance Reform

IT Governance Report Found

- Secretary of Technology and CIO have overlapping responsibilities
- Statute does not clearly define VITA's main responsibilities
- Agencies have a limited role in central IT decisions
- CIO does not regularly communicate with Governor and cabinet

IT Governance Reforms Enacted in 2015 Session

- Eliminated Secretary of Technology duties that overlapped with CIO duties
- Delineated security and procurement duties
- Appropriation Act directs additional action to improve VITA statute and agency involvement
 - Some actions must be reported to the Commission

Key legislation: HB 2323, SB 1121, and provisions of the Appropriation Act.

Information Technology Advisory Council (ITAC)

- ITAC advises the CIO and Secretary of Technology
- ITAC was not fulfilling its advisory role
- Governor reappointed membership
- ITAC now actively performing its duties

ITAC Proposal 1: End of Northrop Grumman Contract

Appropriation Act directs ITAC to develop and VITA to implement a proposal for involving agencies in planning for the end of the Northrop Grumman contract (expires 2019).

ITAC Has Completed Proposal 1

- ITAC endorsed a proposal for agencies to
 - Serve on steering committee
 - Provide feedback in interviews and surveys
 - Serve on stakeholder group
- ITAC will be regularly briefed on progress
- VITA is implementing proposal

ITAC Proposal 2: Central IT Decisions

Appropriation Act directs ITAC to develop a proposal for generally increasing agency involvement in key decisions about central IT.

Proposal to be presented to JLARC by November 2015.

ITAC Considering Options for Proposal 2

- ITAC identified three approaches for improving agency involvement in central IT decisions
 - Have ITAC be forum for agency involvement
 - Create new agency stakeholder group
 - Implement new governance model, as recommended by planning consultant

Technical Working Group: Revise VITA Statutes

Appropriation Act directs formation of a technical staff working group to develop draft legislation that reorganizes, clarifies, and codifies VITA's existing responsibilities.

Draft legislation to be presented to JLARC by November 2015.

Additional Action: Improve Communications

- Legislation codified Secretary of Technology's duty to communicate state IT concerns to Governor
- JLARC recommended Governor's office, Secretary, and CIO develop process to regularly discuss IT issues

Secretary Has Described General Communications Approach

- Secretary indicated CIO will be involved in executive leadership discussions
 - Northrop Grumman contract transition
 - Other major IT issues, as needed
- JLARC staff will monitor implementation

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