

AN ACT relating to information technology systems and declaring an emergency.

***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

➔Section 1. KRS 7A.180 is amended to read as follows:

As used in **Sections 1 to 3 of this Act**~~[this section]:~~

- (1) "**Committee**~~[Board]~~" means the~~[Investments in]~~ Information Technology~~[Improvement and Modernization Projects]~~ Oversight **Committee**~~[Board]~~;
- (2) "**Cybersecurity project**" means an information technology system or application used to protect against the criminal or unauthorized use of electronic data held by a state agency;
- (3) "Information technology system **or application**" means any related computer or telecommunication components that provide a functional system for a specific business purpose and contain one (1) or more of the following:
  1. Hardware;
  2. Software, including application software, systems management software, utility software, or communications software;
  3. Professional services for requirements analysis, system integration, installation, implementation, or data conversion services; or
  4. Digital data products, including acquisition and quality control;~~[and]~~
- (4)~~[(3)]~~ "**Legacy project**" means an information technology system or application that contains hardware, software, or an operating system that is no longer supported for upgrades or maintenance; and
- (5) "State agency" means any department, commission, council, board, bureau, committee, institution, legislative body, agency, government corporation, or other entity of the executive, judicial, or legislative branch of state government.

➔Section 2. KRS 7A.185 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) The~~[Investments in]~~ Information Technology~~[Improvement and Modernization Projects]~~ Oversight **Committee**~~[Board]~~ is hereby established and shall consist of six

- (6) members to be appointed as follows~~[in accordance with the following]~~:
- (a) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint three (3) current members of the House of Representatives, one (1) of whom shall be designated co-chair, and at least one (1) of the three (3) members shall represent the minority party;
  - (b) The President of the Senate shall appoint three (3) current members of the Senate, one (1) of whom shall be designated co-chair, and at least one (1) of the three (3) members shall represent the minority party; and
  - (c) All members shall be active members of the Kentucky General Assembly during their terms of appointment.
- (2) Any vacancy on the committee~~[board]~~ shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.
- (3) The co-chairs shall have joint responsibilities for committee~~[board]~~ meetings, agendas, and presiding at committee~~[board]~~ meetings.
- (4) On an alternating basis, each co-chair shall have the first option to set the ~~[monthly]~~ meeting date. A ~~[monthly]~~ meeting may be canceled by agreement of both co-chairs. The committee~~[board]~~ shall meet at least twice during each calendar year.
- (5) Members of the committee~~[board]~~ shall be entitled to reimbursement for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.
- (6) A majority of the entire membership of the committee~~[board]~~ shall constitute a quorum, and all actions of the committee~~[board]~~ shall be by vote of a majority of its entire membership.
- (7) The purpose of the committee~~[board]~~ is to:
- (a) Review investment and funding strategies~~[for projects]~~ to improve or modernize state agency information technology systems or applications~~[systems]~~, including:
    - 1. Legacy~~[system]~~ projects;~~[and]~~

2. Cybersecurity projects; and
  - 3.~~[2.]~~ The current and ongoing operation and maintenance of state agency information technology systems or applications~~[resources]~~;
- (b) Determine the appropriate organizational structure for deployment of technology across the Commonwealth; and
  - (c) Review the latest information technology developments trending across the nation.

➔ Section 3. KRS 7A.190 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) ~~[Not later than July 30, 2025, ]~~The committee~~[board]~~, in consultation with the Commonwealth Office of Technology, shall prescribe the form, contents, and manner of submission of data to fulfill the purposes under subsection (7) of Section 2 of this Act and to provide an inventory of existing information technology systems or applications~~[the plan required under this section]~~.
- (2)~~[ Each state agency shall submit the plan developed under this section to the :~~
  - ~~(a) Commonwealth Office of Technology; and~~
  - ~~(b) board.~~
- (3)~~[~~ (a) Not later than April 15~~[October 1]~~, 2025, and on or before April 15 annually thereafter, each state agency in the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of state government shall submit information to the committee~~[prepare an agency wide plan]~~ outlining the manner in which the agency intends to transition its information technology systems or applications~~[and data related services and capabilities]~~ into a modern, integrated, secure, and effective technological environment, including a six (6) year outline and funding sources for that transition.
- (b) Each state agency shall provide information linked to the agency's budget request for:
  1. Each legacy project;

2. Each cybersecurity project;

3. The maintenance or upgrade required for an existing information technology system or application; and

4. Each planned development of a future information technology system or application required within the state agency.

(c) Each state agency may consult with and obtain information from the Commonwealth Office of Technology to carry out the requirements of this subsection.

~~(3)~~~~(4)~~ (a) On or before October~~December~~ 1, 2025, and biennially thereafter, the committee~~board~~ shall provide a written report to the Legislative Research Commission that identifies:

1. Existing and planned information technology systems or applications~~projects~~ to improve or modernize state agency information technology systems; and
2. The method of funding for each information technology system or application~~project~~ identified by the state agency~~board~~.

(b) The written report to the Legislative Research Commission shall include:

1. A recommendation by the committee~~board~~ of the estimated amount necessary to fully fund to completion each information technology system or application~~project~~ identified ~~by the board~~; and
2. Strategies developed by the committee~~board~~ to ensure a long-term investment solution is in place ~~for projects~~ to improve or modernize ~~state agency~~ information technology systems or applications ~~are in place~~, including strategies to:
  - a. Access the full amount of federal moneys available ~~for those projects~~; and
  - b. Use information gathered by the state agency~~department during~~

~~previous projects~~ to improve the management, oversight, and transparency of future information technology systems or applications~~[projects]~~.

➔Section 4. Whereas the original timeline established for submission of required reports by state agencies does not meet the current budget request submission process, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Act takes effect upon its passage and approval by the Governor or upon its otherwise becoming a law.