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Information Technology Oversight Committee

SUBJECT: Information Technology Oversight Committee

DATE: November 12, 2025

2025 Regular Session Senate Bill 176 established requirements for each state agency in the executive, legislative, and judicial branches to provide a report detailing their information technology systems, including a six-year outline and funding sources for:

- Each legacy system;
- Each cybersecurity system;
- The maintenance or upgrade required for an existing information technology system or application; and
- Each planned development of a future information technology system or application required within the state agency.

The reports were required to be submitted no later than July 15, 2025, with future submissions required biennially not later than April 15, 2027 and each April 15 thereafter. An overview of the method of funding for each information technology system or application as identified by the state agency is provided. Each report submission is summarized in the attached report.

In accordance with KRS 7A.190, the committee is required to make a recommendation of the estimated amount necessary to fully fund to completion each information technology system or application, which is also included in the attached report.

The committee also provides these strategies to ensure a long-term investment solution is in place to improve or modernize information technology systems or applications:

- It is the recommendation of the committee to deauthorize unissued Bond Funds appropriated to the Kentucky Communications Network (KCNA) in 2024 Regular Session House Bill 6 for infrastructure upgrades and infrastructure purchases. Also, it is recommended that no future appropriations be made to KCNA for the purposes of infrastructure upgrades and network refreshes.
- Provide support to the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority (KIA) so that resources may be allocated to assist with water asset management projects in smaller communities that may not receive adequate funding or prioritization due to their inclusion in the larger regional Area Development District.
- Appropriate \$2.55 million to KIA in the 2026-2028 fiscal biennium to maintain the Water Resource Information System and partner with Area Development Districts (ADD) for the purpose of providing for water treatment projects that span multiple ADDs in the state.

The Information Technology Oversight Committee is tasked with supporting statewide technology and providing strategies to maintain resources and infrastructure that best serve state agencies and citizens of the Commonwealth. With this vision in mind, the committee makes the aforementioned recommendations.