

1 AN ACT relating to project oversight of governmental information technology
2 resources.

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

4 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 7A IS CREATED TO
5 READ AS FOLLOWS:

6 *As used in this section:*

7 *(1) "Board" means the Investments in Information Technology Improvement and*
8 *Modernization Projects Oversight Board;*

9 *(2) "Information technology system" means any related computer or*
10 *telecommunication components that provide a functional system for a specific*
11 *business purpose and contain one (1) or more of the following:*

12 *1. Hardware;*

13 *2. Software, including application software, systems management software,*
14 *utility software, or communications software;*

15 *3. Professional services for requirements analysis, system integration,*
16 *installation, implementation, or data conversion services; or*

17 *4. Digital data products, including acquisition and quality control; and*

18 *(3) "State agency" means any department, commission, council, board, bureau,*
19 *committee, institution, legislative body, agency, government corporation, or other*
20 *entity of the executive, judicial, or legislative branch of state government.*

21 ➔SECTION 2. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 7A IS CREATED TO
22 READ AS FOLLOWS:

23 *(1) The Investments in Information Technology Improvement and Modernization*
24 *Projects Oversight Board is hereby established and shall consist of six (6)*
25 *members to be appointed in accordance with the following:*

26 *(a) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint three (3) current*
27 *members of the House of Representatives, one (1) of whom shall be*

- 1 designated co-chair, and at least one (1) of the three (3) members shall
2 represent the minority party;
- 3 (b) The President of the Senate shall appoint three (3) current members of the
4 Senate, one (1) of whom shall be designated co-chair, and at least one (1) of
5 the three (3) members shall represent the minority party; and
- 6 (c) All members shall be active members of the Kentucky General Assembly
7 during their terms of appointment.
- 8 (2) Any vacancy on the board shall be filled in the same manner as the original
9 appointment.
- 10 (3) The co-chairs shall have joint responsibilities for board meetings, agendas, and
11 presiding at board meetings.
- 12 (4) On an alternating basis, each co-chair shall have the first option to set the
13 monthly meeting date. A monthly meeting may be canceled by agreement of both
14 co-chairs. The board shall meet at least twice during each calendar year.
- 15 (5) Members of the board shall be entitled to reimbursement for expenses incurred in
16 the performance of their duties.
- 17 (6) A majority of the entire membership of the board shall constitute a quorum, and
18 all actions of the board shall be by vote of a majority of its entire membership.
- 19 (7) The purpose of the board is to:
- 20 (a) Review investment and funding strategies for projects to improve or
21 modernize state agency information technology systems, including:
- 22 1. Legacy system projects and cybersecurity projects; and
23 2. The current and ongoing operation and maintenance of state agency
24 information resources;
- 25 (b) Determine the appropriate organizational structure for deployment of
26 technology across the Commonwealth; and
- 27 (c) Review the latest information technology developments trending across the

1 nation.

2 ➔SECTION 3. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 7A IS CREATED TO
3 READ AS FOLLOWS:

4 (1) Not later than July 30, 2025, the board, in consultation with the Commonwealth
5 Office of Technology, shall prescribe the form, contents, and manner of
6 submission of the plan required under this section.

7 (2) Each state agency shall submit the plan developed under this section to the:

8 (a) Commonwealth Office of Technology; and

9 (b) Board.

10 (3) Not later than October 1, 2025, each state agency in the executive, legislative, and
11 judicial branches of state government shall prepare an agency-wide plan
12 outlining the manner in which the agency intends to transition its information
13 technology and data-related services and capabilities into a modern, integrated,
14 secure, and effective technological environment.

15 (4) (a) On or before December 1, 2025, and biennially thereafter, the board shall
16 provide a written report to the Legislative Research Commission that
17 identifies:

18 1. Existing and planned projects to improve or modernize state agency
19 information technology systems; and

20 2. The method of funding for each project identified by the board.

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

22 1. A recommendation by the board of the estimated amount necessary to
23 fully fund to completion each project identified by the board; and

24 2. Strategies developed by the board to ensure a long-term investment
25 solution for projects to improve or modernize state agency information
26 technology systems are in place, including strategies to:

27 a. Access the full amount of federal moneys available for those

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projects; and
b. Use information gathered by the department during previous
projects to improve the management, oversight, and
transparency of future projects.