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**To:** Ways and Means Full Committee

**From:** General Government Subcommittee

**Re:** SB 87 Relating to quality management services for information technology initiatives

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**Representative Gomberg:** "SB 87 gives the State Chief Information Officer needed flexibility in determining the circumstances under which state contracting agencies and public corporations must obtain independent quality management services when implementing information technology initiatives.

Current law requires independent quality management oversight services to be obtained if the estimated costs of an IT initiative exceeds \$5 million, regardless of project risk or complexity.

SB 87 would allow the State CIO to relieve state contracting agencies and public corporations from the obligation to obtain these oversight services under certain circumstances. The measure would also permit the State CIO to require that oversight services be obtained for IT initiatives with estimated costs below \$5 million under certain circumstances.

Finally, SB 87 requires the State CIO to submit an annual report to the Legislative Fiscal Officer that identifies IT initiatives for which the value exceeds \$5 million and the State CIO determines that quality management services are not necessary, along with the rationale for those determinations.

The General Government Subcommittee recommends SB 87 be reported out do pass."