SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Department of Administrative Services Microsoft 365 Licensing Consolidation Report

On February 13th, the General Government Subcommittee recommended acknowledging receipt of a report from the Department of Administrative Services on the Microsoft 365 licensing consolidation project.

The Office of the State CIO was provided \$6.2 million during the 2019 session for a project to transition all Executive Branch agencies to the Microsoft 365 suite of tools. This project includes consolidating all existing Microsoft 365 contracts within the OSCIO. Currently, each agency negotiates its own license agreements with Microsoft. Having one contract allows the state to leverage its buying power to obtain the best possible price per user. OSCIO estimates over 40,000 Microsoft users will be licensed under the new contract. Unification of Microsoft 365 services also consolidates and simplifies the state's cyber security infrastructure. Conversion to Microsoft 365 is scheduled to begin in April with the adoption of a uniform email address format for all Executive Branch agencies, including the Secretary of State but excluding the State Treasurer.

The General Government Subcommittee recommends approval.