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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: Makes the State Chief Information Officer contract with a third party for a study of how the state uses information and technology and advise on how to improve. Tells the officer to submit a report by a certain date. The Act takes effect on its passage. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.5).

Requires the State Chief Information Officer to contract for an independent assessment of the information technology environment within the executive department, to include recommendations for improving performance, operations and resources.

Directs the officer to submit a report on the results of the assessment and recommendations to the Governor and the Joint Legislative Committee on Information Management and Technology and any other appropriate legislative committee no later than February 1, 2025.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

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- Relating to information technology; and declaring an emergency.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, "executive department" has the meaning given that term in ORS 174.112, except that "executive department" does not include the Secretary of State in performing the duties of the constitutional office of Secretary of State or the State Treasurer in performing the duties of the constitutional office of State Treasurer.
 - (2) The State Chief Information Officer shall contract with a third party to conduct an independent assessment of the information technology environment within the executive department.
 - (3) The assessment shall:
 - (a) Examine the current:
- 13 (A) Information technology governance programs used within the executive department; 14 and
 - (B) Organizational and operational environments that are affecting performance, operations and resources within the executive department;
 - (b) Identify and describe alternative information technology governance programs and organizational and operational models for consideration to be used by or within the executive department;
 - (c) Recommend an information technology governance program and organizational and operational models that may be adopted and used by or within the executive department to improve performance, operations and resources;

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- (d) Conduct a gap analysis to compare the current information technology environment with the recommended information technology environment; and
- (e) Provide a plan to implement the recommendations, including estimated costs and time frames.
 - (4) The assessment must be completed no later than September 30, 2024.
- (5) The State Chief Information Officer shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to the Governor and to the Joint Legislative Committee on Information Management and Technology and any other appropriate legislative committee no later than February 1, 2025. The report submitted under this subsection shall provide the results of the assessment and include a budget request to carry out the plan to implement the recommendations.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2024 Act is repealed on July 1, 2025.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> This 2024 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2024 Act takes effect on its passage.

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