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(a) The Chief of Information Technology is established within the Department.

(b) The Chief shall be appointed by the Secretary and serves at the Secretary's pleasure.

(c) The Chief shall be provided appropriate professional and administrative staff by the Secretary as provided in the budget.

(d) The Chief is responsible to the Secretary in carrying out the following duties:

(1) developing, maintaining, and enforcing statewide information technology standards, policies, and procedures;

(2) providing technical assistance, advice, and recommendations to the Secretary concerning information technology matters;

(3) reviewing major information technology projects for consistency with statewide plans, policies, and standards; ~~and~~

~~(4) REVIEWING AGENCY EACH UNIT'S ANNUAL PROJECT PLANS PLAN TO MAKE INFORMATION AND SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC OVER THE INTERNET; AND~~

~~[(4)]~~ (5) developing and maintaining a statewide information technology master plan that will:

(i) be the basis for the management and direction of information technology within the Executive Branch of State government;

(ii) include all aspects of State information technology including telecommunications, data processing, and information management;

(iii) consider interstate transfers due to federal legislation and regulation;

(iv) ensure that information technology plans and budgets are consistent; ~~and~~

(v) ensure that State information technology plans, policies, and standards are consistent with State goals, objectives, and resources, and represent a long-range vision for using information technology to improve the overall effectiveness of State government; AND

(VI) INCLUDE STANDARDS TO ASSURE NONVISUAL ACCESS TO THE INFORMATION AND SERVICES MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC OVER THE INTERNET.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

Approved April 25, 2000.