

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; AND

(5) ADOPTING BY REGULATION AND ENFORCING NONVISUAL ACCESS STANDARDS TO BE USED IN THE PROCUREMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES BY OR ON BEHALF OF UNITS OF STATE GOVERNMENT.

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THE SECRETARY SHALL DEVELOP A STATEWIDE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MASTER PLAN.

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(A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED BY THE SECRETARY, EACH UNIT OF STATE GOVERNMENT SHALL DEVELOP AND SUBMIT TO THE SECRETARY:

- (1) INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY POLICIES AND STANDARDS;
- (2) AN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PLAN; AND

(3) AN ANNUAL PROJECT PLAN OUTLINING THE STATUS OF EFFORTS TO MAKE INFORMATION AND SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC OVER THE INTERNET.

(B) (1) THE GOVERNING BOARDS OF THE PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL DEVELOP AND SUBMIT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY POLICIES AND STANDARDS AND AN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PLAN FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE INSTITUTIONS OR SYSTEMS TO THE SECRETARY.

(2) IF THE SECRETARY FINDS THAT THE SUBMISSIONS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE MASTER PLAN, THE SECRETARY SHALL INCORPORATE THOSE SUBMISSIONS INTO THE MASTER PLAN.

(3) IF THE SECRETARY FINDS THAT THE SUBMISSIONS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION ARE NOT CONSISTENT WITH THE MASTER PLAN: