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ENROLLED BILL

-- Finance/Commerce and Government Matters --

Introduced by **The President (Administration) and Senators Miller, Forehand, Teitelbaum, and Hogan**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this
____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, ____ M.

President.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Electronic Government Initiative**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to ~~establish a~~
4 implement a certain time line for certain units of the Executive Branch of State
5 government to make information and services available to the public over the
6 Internet; providing for certain exceptions; requiring the Secretary to establish
7 certain guidelines; requiring certain units of the Executive Branch to submit
8 certain plans; requiring the Chief of Information Technology to review certain
9 plans; requiring the statewide information technology master plan to include
10 standards to assure nonvisual access to information and services made available
11 to the public over the Internet under certain circumstances; and generally
12 relating to State information technology policies.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article - State Finance and Procurement
15 Section 3-401(b), 3-403, and 3-410

1 Annotated Code of Maryland
2 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

3 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
4 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

5 **Article - State Finance and Procurement**

6 3-401.

7 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, except as provided in
8 subsection (a) of this section AND § 3-403(C) OF THIS SUBTITLE, this subtitle applies to
9 all units of the Executive Branch of State government including public institutions of
10 higher education other than the University System of Maryland.

11 3-403.

12 (a) The Secretary is responsible for developing, maintaining, revising, and
13 enforcing information technology policies and standards.

14 (b) The Secretary shall develop a statewide information technology master
15 plan.

16 (C) (1) THE SECRETARY SHALL ~~ESTABLISH~~ IMPLEMENT THE FOLLOWING
17 TIME LINE FOR UNITS OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF STATE GOVERNMENT TO
18 MAKE INFORMATION AND SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC OVER THE
19 INTERNET:

20 (I) 50% BY CALENDAR YEAR 2002;

21 (II) 65% BY CALENDAR YEAR 2003; AND

22 (III) 80% BY CALENDAR YEAR 2004.

23 (2) THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF
24 HIGHER EDUCATION.

25 (3) THE SECRETARY SHALL ESTABLISH GUIDELINES TO IMPLEMENT
26 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION.

27 [(c)] (D) Except as provided in subsection [(d)] (E) of this section, in
28 accordance with guidelines established by the Secretary, each unit of the Executive
29 Branch of State government shall develop and submit to the Secretary:

30 (1) information technology policies and standards; [and]

31 (2) an information technology plan; AND

32 (3) AN ANNUAL PROJECT PLAN OUTLINING THE STATUS OF EFFORTS TO
33 COMPLY WITH SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.

1 [(d)] (E) The governing boards of the public institutions of higher education
2 shall develop and submit information technology policies and standards and an
3 information technology plan for their respective institutions or systems to the
4 Secretary.

5 [(e)] (F) In the case of the plans, policies, and standards for the public
6 institutions of higher education, the Secretary shall incorporate those submissions
7 into the statewide plan, provided the submissions are consistent with the statewide
8 plan. If the Secretary finds that the submissions are not consistent with the plan, the
9 Secretary shall return the submissions to the governing boards, which shall revise the
10 submissions as appropriate before resubmission to the Secretary.

11 [(f)] (G) Before carrying out the powers and duties provided by this section,
12 the Secretary shall consult with the Comptroller.

13 3-410.

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

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

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

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

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

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

25 (3) reviewing major information technology projects for consistency with
26 statewide plans, policies, and standards; [and]

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

30 [(4)] (5) developing and maintaining a statewide information technology
31 master plan that will:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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