

# SENATE BILL 581

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By: **Senators Jennings, Gallion, Salling, and Hershey**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Information Technology – Statewide Information Technology**  
3 **Master Plan – Reporting**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Information Technology to post the  
5 Statewide Information Technology Master Plan on its website on or before a certain  
6 date; requiring the Secretary of Information Technology to notify the Governor and  
7 certain committees of the General Assembly if the plan is delayed; requiring the  
8 Secretary of Information Technology, or the Secretary’s designee, to provide a certain  
9 annual briefing to the General Assembly; and generally relating to the Statewide  
10 Information Technology Master Plan.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
12 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
13 Section 3.5–304  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – State Finance and Procurement**

19 3.5–304.

20 **(A)** The Secretary shall develop a statewide information technology master plan.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1           **(B) (1) THE PLAN DEVELOPED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION**  
 2 **SHALL BE POSTED PUBLICLY ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE WITHIN ~~6 MONTHS~~ 1**  
 3 **YEAR AFTER THE DATE THE GOVERNOR IS INAUGURATED IN ~~THE GOVERNOR'S~~**  
 4 **~~FIRST~~ EACH GUBERNATORIAL TERM.**

5           **(2) IF THE SECRETARY IS UNABLE TO MEET THE DEADLINE**  
 6 **ESTABLISHED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, WITHIN 10 DAYS AFTER**  
 7 **THE MISSED DEADLINE, THE SECRETARY SHALL NOTIFY THE GOVERNOR IN**  
 8 **WRITING AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT**  
 9 **ARTICLE:**

10                   **(I) THE SENATE BUDGET AND TAXATION COMMITTEE;**

11                   **(II) THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, ENERGY, AND**  
 12 **THE ENVIRONMENT;**

13                   **(III) THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE;**

14                   **(IV) THE HOUSE GOVERNMENT, LABOR, AND ELECTIONS**  
 15 **COMMITTEE; AND**

16                   **(V) THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON CYBERSECURITY,**  
 17 **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, AND BIOTECHNOLOGY.**

18           **(3) THE NOTICE REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS**  
 19 **SUBSECTION SHALL INCLUDE AN EXPLANATION OF WHY THE PLAN IS DELAYED AND**  
 20 **PROVIDE A DATE FOR ITS PUBLICATION, NOT TO EXCEED 3 MONTHS AFTER THE**  
 21 **DEADLINE ESTABLISHED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.**

22           **(C) EACH YEAR, THE SECRETARY, OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE, SHALL**  
 23 **PROVIDE A BRIEFING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON:**

24                   **(1) THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN;**

25                   **(2) ANY MATERIAL CHANGES MADE TO THE PLAN; AND**

26                   **(3) HOW THE STATE INTENDS TO MANAGE AND DEPLOY THE**  
 27 **INITIATIVES INCLUDED IN THE PLAN ACROSS THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF STATE**  
 28 **GOVERNMENT.**

29           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
 30 October 1, 2026.