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**HOUSE BILL 25-1310**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING    ENHANCED    PURCHASING    TRANSPARENCY    FOR**  
102      **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROCUREMENT.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov/>.)*

**Joint Technology Committee. Section 1** of the bill authorizes the joint technology committee to conduct an annual review of all rates that the office of information technology (office) charges when billing users for the office's services.

**Section 2** requires that budget requests submitted to the joint technology committee include:

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.  
Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.

- Information and responses from a request for information for any budget request related to a major information technology project; and
- Formal market research for any budget request that is not related to a major information technology project.

**Section 3** provides that money in the information technology revolving fund, which the office expends to pay the costs of consolidation and information technology maintenance and upgrades, is no longer continuously appropriated to the office and instead is subject to annual appropriation by the general assembly.

**Section 4** repeals the office's ability to approve procurement contracts related to information technology resources on behalf of state agencies. The office may be a party to a procurement contract related to the procurement of information technology resources for a state agency if the state agency requests that the office be a party to the contract.

**Section 5** provides that state agencies are not required to obtain approval from the office before commencing work on a major information technology project or planning to make significant changes to the major information technology project or budget, and makes other conforming changes.

**Section 6** requires certain governmental bodies to issue a request for information prior to awarding a contract related to a major information technology project, and requires that the request for information be submitted to the joint technology committee as part of any budget request related to a major information technology project. Responses to a request for information related to a contract for a major information technology project must be presented to the joint technology committee if requested by the committee, and the committee shall meet in executive session to review the responses. **Section 6** also requires certain governmental bodies to conduct market research prior to awarding a contract related to an information technology project that is not a major information technology project, and requires the market research to be submitted to the joint technology committee as part of any budget request related to the project.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-3-1704, **amend**

3 (1)(e) and (10); and **add** (1)(f) as follows:

4 **2-3-1704. Powers and duties of the joint technology committee.**

5 (1) The committee oversees the office of information technology,

1 including but not limited to:

2 (e) The office of information technology's responsibilities related  
3 to the geographic information system as set forth in section 24-37.5-103  
4 (4); AND

5 (f) AN OPTIONAL ANNUAL REVIEW OF ALL RATES THAT THE OFFICE  
6 OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CHARGES WHEN BILLING USERS OF THE  
7 OFFICE'S SERVICES. IF THE COMMITTEE REQUESTS TO REVIEW THE OFFICE'S  
8 RATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION, THE COMMITTEE SHALL MEET  
9 IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE COMMITTEE WILL  
10 HEAR THE RATES PUBLICLY OR IN EXECUTIVE SESSION, AND THE OFFICE  
11 SHALL PRESENT THE RATES TO THE COMMITTEE.

12 (10) Upon request, a state agency, INCLUDING THE OFFICE OF  
13 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, and the judicial department, the department  
14 of law, the department of state, and the department of the treasury shall  
15 make available to the committee such data, reports, or information as are  
16 necessary for the performance of the committee's duties. ~~If the committee~~  
17 ~~requests such data, reports, or information, the state agency or judicial~~  
18 ~~department, the department of law, the department of state, or the~~  
19 ~~department of the treasury shall provide the requested information no~~  
20 ~~later than November 1 of the calendar year in which the request is made.~~

21 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-37-302, **amend**  
22 (1)(a.5)(I); and **add** (1)(a.5)(I.5) as follows:

23 **24-37-302. Responsibilities of the office of state planning and**  
24 **budgeting.** (1) The office of state planning and budgeting shall assist the  
25 governor in his or her responsibilities pertaining to the executive budget.  
26 Specifically, it shall:

27 (a.5) Design and prepare, in coordination with the staff of the joint

1 technology committee of the general assembly, the forms and instructions  
2 to be used in preparation of all budget requests and supplemental budget  
3 requests submitted to the joint technology committee pursuant to section  
4 24-37-304 (1)(c.5). The staff of the joint technology committee shall  
5 make recommendations to the joint technology committee regarding such  
6 forms and instructions for the committee's approval. The forms and  
7 instructions shall require that budget requests submitted to the joint  
8 technology committee include:

9 (I) Information from AND RESPONSES TO a request for information  
10 issued pursuant to ~~section 24-103-201.5, or other formal market research~~  
11 ~~regarding the information technology budget request~~ SECTION  
12 24-103-201.5 (2.5)(a), WHICH MUST BE ISSUED AND INCLUDED WITH AN  
13 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BUDGET REQUEST THAT IS RELATED TO A  
14 MAJOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECT, AS DEFINED IN SECTION  
15 24-37.5-102 (19);

16 (I.5) FORMAL MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO  
17 SECTION 24-103-201.5 (2.5)(b), WHICH MUST BE CONDUCTED AND  
18 INCLUDED WITH AN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BUDGET REQUEST THAT  
19 IS NOT RELATED TO A MAJOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECT, AS  
20 DEFINED IN SECTION 24-37.5-102 (19);

21 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-37.5-103, **amend**  
22 (3)(c) as follows:

23 **24-37.5-103. Office of information technology - creation -**  
24 **information technology revolving fund - geographic information**  
25 **system coordination.** (3) (c) All interest earned on the investment of  
26 money in the fund shall be credited to the fund. ~~Money in the revolving~~  
27 ~~fund shall be continuously appropriated to~~ SUBJECT TO ANNUAL

1 APPROPRIATION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, the office of information  
2 technology MAY EXPEND MONEY FROM THE REVOLVING FUND to pay the  
3 costs of consolidation and information technology maintenance and  
4 upgrades. Any money credited to the revolving fund and unexpended and  
5 unencumbered at the end of any given fiscal year shall remain in the fund  
6 and shall not revert to the general fund.

7 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-37.5-105, **amend**  
8 (6) as follows:

9 **24-37.5-105. Office - roles - responsibilities - state search**  
10 **interface - rules - legislative declaration - definitions. (6) Technology**  
11 **purchasing.** The office ~~shall initiate the procurement of information~~  
12 ~~technology resources for state agencies and enter into agreements or~~  
13 ~~contracts on behalf of a state agency, multiple agencies, or the office, or~~  
14 MAY be a party to A procurement ~~contracts that are initiated by state~~  
15 ~~agencies. A state agency may initiate solicitations and contracts for~~  
16 ~~information technology resources only with prior approval of the~~  
17 ~~procurement official for the office, and must include provisions allowing~~  
18 ~~the office to enforce technology and security standards or conduct due~~  
19 ~~diligence or audits of the contractors. If the state agency does not receive~~  
20 ~~written approval or disapproval from the procurement official for the~~  
21 ~~office within thirty business days after submitting the procurement~~  
22 ~~request to the office for review, the state agency may assume that it has~~  
23 ~~received the prior approval of the office, as required by this subsection~~  
24 ~~(6), and is authorized to initiate the procurement or solicitation process~~  
25 CONTRACT RELATED TO THE PROCUREMENT OF INFORMATION  
26 TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES FOR A STATE AGENCY IF THE STATE AGENCY  
27 REQUESTS THAT THE OFFICE BE A PARTY TO THE CONTRACT. In connection

1 with the procurement of information technology resources, the office  
2 shall ESTABLISH STANDARDS THAT A STATE AGENCY SHALL COMPLY WITH  
3 WHEN THE OFFICE IS A PARTY TO A PROCUREMENT CONTRACT RELATED TO  
4 THE PROCUREMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES FOR THE  
5 STATE AGENCY, FOR:

6 (a) ~~Ensure information technology purchases adhere to standards~~  
7 ~~for~~ Data technology, architecture, and security RELATED TO INFORMATION  
8 TECHNOLOGY PROCUREMENT;

9 (b) ~~Establish special requirements for~~ Vendors of information  
10 technology services to state agencies and adapt standards as necessary for  
11 individual state agencies to comply with federal law; AND

12 (c) ~~Oversee information technology vendors on behalf of the state~~  
13 ~~and state agencies except when delegated to a state agency pursuant to~~  
14 ~~section 24-37.5-105.4; and~~

15 (d) ~~If the office does not have oversight of an information~~  
16 ~~technology or services contract, ensure that the state agency with~~  
17 ~~oversight of the contract operates pursuant to section 24-37.5-105.4~~  
18 ~~regarding the delegation of authority.~~

19 (e) TECHNOLOGY AND SECURITY STANDARDS FOR THE PARTIES TO  
20 AN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROCUREMENT CONTRACT.

21 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-37.5-105.2,  
22 **amend** (2)(b), (2)(c), (5), and (6); and **add** (7) as follows:

23 **24-37.5-105.2. State agencies - information technology -**  
24 **responsibilities.** (2) In connection with any major information  
25 technology project that a state agency plans to undertake, the state agency  
26 shall:

27 (b) Before commencing work on the major information

1 technology project, submit the plan to the office; ~~and obtain approval~~  
2 ~~from the office~~

3 (c) If the state agency plans to make significant changes to the  
4 major information technology project or budget, consult with the office  
5 regarding the changes ~~and obtain the office's approval of the changes~~  
6 before commencing work on the changes; and

7 (5) For security purposes, a state agency ~~shall include~~ MAY  
8 REQUEST THAT the office JOIN as a party to ~~all contracts or agreements~~ A  
9 CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT for information technology goods, services,  
10 or systems.

11 (6) A state agency shall hold authority and be responsible for  
12 projects managed by the state agency. ~~when the office is involved only as~~  
13 ~~a party to the contract or a party to the agreement with a vendor,~~  
14 ~~contractor, or other party~~

15 (7) COLORADO DIGITAL SERVICE WITHIN THE OFFICE OF  
16 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SHALL, WITHIN EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS,  
17 FACILITATE THE CHANGES NECESSITATED BY THIS HOUSE BILL 25-1310,  
18 ENACTED IN 2025, INCLUDING CHANGES RELATED TO STATE AGENCIES'  
19 APPROVAL OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS.

20 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-103-201.5, **add**  
21 (2.5) and (5) as follows:

22 **24-103-201.5. Market research - request for information.**

23 (2.5) (a) A GOVERNMENTAL BODY THAT IS ALSO A STATE AGENCY AS  
24 DEFINED IN SECTION 24-37.5-102 (28) SHALL ISSUE A REQUEST FOR  
25 INFORMATION PRIOR TO AWARDED A CONTRACT RELATED TO A MAJOR  
26 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECT, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-37.5-102  
27 (19). INFORMATION FROM AND RESPONSES TO THE REQUEST FOR

1 INFORMATION MUST BE SUBMITTED AS PART OF ANY BUDGET REQUEST  
2 RELATED TO A MAJOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECT IN  
3 ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 24-37-302 (1)(a.5)(I).

4 (b) A GOVERNMENTAL BODY THAT IS ALSO A STATE AGENCY AS  
5 DEFINED IN SECTION 24-37.5-102 (28) SHALL CONDUCT MARKET RESEARCH  
6 PRIOR TO AWARDING A CONTRACT RELATED TO AN INFORMATION  
7 TECHNOLOGY PROJECT THAT IS NOT A MAJOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
8 PROJECT, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-37.5-102 (19). THE MARKET  
9 RESEARCH MUST BE SUBMITTED AS PART OF ANY BUDGET REQUEST  
10 RELATED TO AN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECT THAT IS NOT A  
11 MAJOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
12 SECTION 24-37-302 (1)(a.5)(I.5).

13 (5) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION,  
14 RESPONSES TO A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION RELATED TO A CONTRACT  
15 FOR A MAJOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECT, AS DEFINED IN  
16 SECTION 24-37.5-102 (19), MUST BE PRESENTED TO THE JOINT  
17 TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE IF REQUESTED BY THE COMMITTEE. THE  
18 COMMITTEE SHALL MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO REVIEW THE  
19 RESPONSES.

20 **SECTION 7. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,  
21 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
22 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for  
23 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state  
24 institutions.