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Overview

Article 1 makes the Office of Technology (OT) an independent agency, instead of an office within the Department of Administration. The office will be under the direction of the state Chief Information Officer (CIO), who will be appointed by the Governor. Certain duties of the new office are stronger than those assigned to the former office. Various coordination and planning duties previously assigned to the commissioner of administration are transferred to the OT. Transfers operations of state telecommunications systems, state information infrastructure, and electronic conduct of state business from the commissioner of administration to OT. Article 2 contains conforming amendments.

Article 3 specifies the roles of election officials in handling boundary changes including those caused when a municipality annexes territory, and also prohibits annexations from becoming effective at specified times before municipal elections.

Article 1: Office of Technology

Creation, chief information officer. Provides that the Office of Technology (OT) is an executive agency headed by the state chief information officer (CIO). In addition to duties previously held by the Office of Technology, requires OT to manage and deliver information and communications technology services.

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Duties. Requires the Office of Technology to:

- manage (instead of coordinate) use of resources to develop statewide information and communications technology;
- approve (instead of review) state agency information and communications systems development efforts;
- ensure (instead of encourage) cooperation and collaboration;
- manage (instead of coordinate) reinvestment in information and communications technology;
- ensure compliance with (in addition to facilitate development of) information systems standards;
- eliminate (instead of work with others to avoid) unnecessary duplication of services;
- identify, sponsor and develop enterprise and shared information and communications technology initiatives, services, development, and operations;
- ensure overall security of the state's information and technology systems and services.

Authorizes the CIO (instead of the commissioner of administration) to require state agencies to use shared information and communications technology and services.

Office management and structure. Provides that the CIO is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the Governor. Requires the CIO to have experience leading enterprise-level information technology organizations. Provides that the CIO reports to the Governor, and must consult regularly with specified commissioners. Requires OT staff to include individuals with specialized training in information security.

Provides for the CIO, instead of the commissioner of administration to serve on specified groups.

Requires the commissioner of administration to provide office space and administrative support to OET.

- **Definitions.** Defines the terms "information and telecommunications technology systems and services", "information and telecommunications technology project", "telecommunications", and "cyber security". These terms are used in connection with the powers and duties assigned to OT. Provides that for purposes of chapter 16E "state agency" does not include MnSCU unless specifically provided elsewhere.
- CIO responsibility. Requires the CIO, instead of the commissioner of administration, to coordinate the state information and telecommunications systems. Provides that the CIO will: review and approve (in addition to coordinate) information and telecommunications projects and services; enforce compliance with (in addition to establish) standards; direct

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and manage the shared operations of the state's information and communications technology services and systems; and establish and enforce standards necessary to protect data and systems in state agency networks connected to the Internet.

- **Evaluation and approval.** Provides that the CIO, instead of the Governor or the Governor's designee, will give written approval to information and telecommunications technology projects. Strikes from current law language exempting acquisitions and development under \$100,000 from this requirement.
- 7 **Cyber security systems.** Provides that the CIO, instead of the commissioner of administration shall develop security policies and standards. Provides that the CIO is responsible for overall security of state agency networks connected to the Internet.
- **Technology policy.** Requires the office to enforce (in addition to develop and establish) policies and standards for state agencies to follow in developing and purchasing information and communications systems. Provides for the CIO, instead of the commissioner of administration, to manage agency data coordination. Requires OT to ensure compliance with state information architecture, and to review and approve agency strategic plans to ensure consistency with enterprise information and communications technology strategy. Requires OT to approve (instead of just review) agency requests for legislative appropriations for development or purchase of information systems equipment or software.

Requires a risk assessment and mitigation plan for all information systems development projects in the executive or judicial branch. (Under current law this plan is required only for projects estimated to cost more than \$1 million). Provides for the CIO, instead of the commissioner of administration, to contract with an outside entity for the plan if the project will cost more than \$5 million. Provides for the CIO, instead of the commissioner of administration, to approve these plans.

- **Projects over \$1 million.** Strikes MnSCU from law governing review of information and telecommunications projects over \$1 million.
- Review and approval. Substitutes the CIO for the commissioner of administration in a law dealing with review of information and telecommunications technology projects. Requires the CIO to ensure that the project supports enterprise information technology strategy.
- Electronic government services. Substitutes the CIO for the commissioner in the law dealing with a single entry site for agencies to use for electronic government services.
- **Secure transaction system.** Requires state agencies that implement electronic government services to use the secure transaction system developed by OT.
- **Technology revolving fund.** Provides that money in the technology revolving fund is appropriated to the CIO to operate information and telecommunications services. Requires state agencies to reimburse the fund for services and materials provided.

Article 2: Transfers and Conforming Changes

- 1 1 Commissioner. Provides that the CIO of OT is a "commissioner".
- **Powers and duties.** In a law applying to the commissioner of administration, strikes the duty to approve computer plans and contracts and oversee state data processing (because this duty is assigned to OT).
- **Reimbursement.** Strikes a reference to the Intertechnologies Revolving Fund (because this fund is replaced by the enterprise technology revolving fund).

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- **Liquidation.** Strikes a reference to the Intertechnologies Revolving Fund (because this fund is replaced by the enterprise technology revolving fund).
- 5 Unclassified service. Adds OT to the list of agencies that can designate additional positions as unclassified when specified criteria are met.
- **Membership.** Provides that the CIO, rather than the commissioner of administration, serves on the Criminal and Juvenile Justice Information Policy Group.
- **Task force.** Provides that the CIO, rather than the commissioner of administration, serves on a criminal justice information task force.
- **Radio board.** Provides that the CIO, rather than the commissioner of administration, serves on the Statewide Radio Board.
- **Transfers.** Provides that responsibilities of the commissioner of administration for state telecommunications systems, state information infrastructure, and electronic conduct of state business are transferred to OT, along with the positions associated with those functions.
- **Revisor instruction.** Instructs the Revisor to substitute the term "chief information officer" for "commissioner of administration" in Minnesota Statutes to implement the transfer of duties in this bill, and to recodify specified sections from chapter 16B to chapter 16E.
- 11 Repealers.
 - 16B.48, subd. 3: appropriation of money in the Intertechnologies Revolving Fund.
 - 16E.045, subd. 3: commissioner and OT review and approval of projects.
- **Effective date.** Effective July 1, 2005.

Article 3

- Precinct boundaries; description; maps. Currently the municipal clerk notifies the secretary of state of precinct boundary changes. The bill provides for this notice also to be given to the county auditor when a precinct boundary changes or annexation affects a boundary. Requires the clerk to file a corrected base map with the county auditor and the secretary of state. Specifies the time for this filing when there has been an annexation: the later of 30 days after the annexation order or the effective date of the annexation order. Provides for the county auditor to give the clerk a precinct finder and base map. The clerk, rather than the secretary of state, will then provide the corrected precinct map to the auditor and secretary of state. The secretary of state will update the precinct boundary database.
- Annexations not permitted at certain times. Amends §414.01. Prohibits annexation of territory between the opening of filings and the issuance of election certificates for a previously scheduled municipal election of the annexing municipality.
- Municipal annexation. Proposes a new section. Makes a municipal annexation ineffective between the opening of filings and the issuance of election certificates for a previously scheduled municipal election of the annexing municipality.