

1 ENGROSSED SENATE  
2 BILL NO. 68

3 By: Green of the Senate

4 and

5 Bashore of the House

6 [ employment - memorandum of understanding - audits -  
7 provision - codification -  
8 emergency ]

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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

11 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2021, Section 35.3, is  
12 amended to read as follows:

13 Section 35.3. As used in the Information Technology  
14 Consolidation and Coordination Act:

15 1. "Appropriated state agency" means any state agency that  
16 receives funding through the annual legislative appropriations  
17 process;

18 2. "Information technology assets" means any equipment or  
19 interconnected system or subsystem of equipment that is used in the  
20 acquisition, storage, manipulation, management, movement, control,  
21 display, switching, interchange, transmission, or reception of data  
22 or information. The term shall include computers, ancillary  
23 equipment, software, firmware and similar procedures, services,  
24 including support services and consulting services, software

1 development, and related resources, and shall further include  
2 telecommunications fiber networks used for conveying electronic  
3 communication or information systems to multiple physical locations;

4       3. "Information technology position" means a classified or  
5 unclassified position in the following functional areas:

- 6           a. applications programming,
- 7           b. EDP audit,
- 8           c. data examination,
- 9           d. computer applications,
- 10          e. computer data entry,
- 11          f. computer networking,
- 12          g. computer operations,
- 13          h. computer programming,
- 14          i. computer security,
- 15          j. computer software design,
- 16          k. web applications,
- 17          l. database analysis,
- 18          m. data management analysis,
- 19          n. database development,
- 20          o. database programming,
- 21          p. software design/development,
- 22          q. help desk,
- 23          r. imaging,
- 24          s. systems analysis,

1           t. systems application planning,  
2           u. systems application,  
3           v. systems administration,  
4           w. systems coordination,  
5           x. systems integration,  
6           y. systems operation,  
7           z. systems planning/development,  
8           aa. systems programming,  
9           bb. systems engineering,  
10          cc. systems service specialist,  
11          dd. systems support,  
12          ee. network administration,  
13          ff. network management,  
14          gg. network technical,  
15          hh. operating systems specialist,  
16          ii. systems program manager,  
17          jj. telecommunications, whether data or voice,  
18          kk. software training, and  
19          ll. technology development or support;

20         4. "Nonappropriated state agency" means any state agency that

21         does not receive funding through the annual legislative  
22         appropriations process;

23         5. "Shared services" means those state agency functions which

24         are or could be provided through:

a. the services and systems specified in subsection A of Section 35.6 of this title, and

b. the programs, services, software, or processes

specified in subsection B of Section 35.6 of this title; and

6. "State agency" means any office, elected or appointed

officer, bureau, board, commission, counsel, unit, division, body,  
authority, or institution of the executive branch of state

government excluding institutions within The Oklahoma State System

of Higher Education, the Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority, the

Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, the Oklahoma State

Bureau of Investigation, the District Attorneys Council, the Office

of the Attorney General, the Office of the State Auditor and  
Inspector, and the telecommunications network known as OneNet.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 35.7a of Title 62, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Except as otherwise provided by the Information Technology Consolidation and Coordination Act, any state agency may employ information technology personnel to develop and implement the agency's technology strategy, provided that the agency remains subject to the standards, policies, and oversight established by the Chief Information Officer of this state for the purposes of data integrity and security.

1       B. A state agency may employ information technology personnel  
2 pursuant to this section if it first enters into a memorandum of  
3 understanding with the Chief Information Officer detailing, at a  
4 minimum:

- 5           1. The specific positions and job descriptions that the agency  
6 plans to hire;
- 7           2. The qualifications of the positions;
- 8           3. Agreement by the state agency to be bound by the standards,  
9 policies, and oversight set forth by the Chief Information Officer  
10 for security and data integrity purposes; and
- 11          4. Any other terms deemed necessary by the Chief Information  
12 Officer or the state agency.

13           No information technology personnel shall be hired or retained  
14 by the state agency until a memorandum of understanding has been  
15 fully executed by both the Chief Information Officer and the state  
16 agency.

17           C. The Chief Information Officer, at his or her discretion, may  
18 audit the state agency's compliance with the provisions of the  
19 memorandum of understanding and any other requirements of this  
20 section.

21           D. The authorization described in this section shall not be  
22 construed as a waiver or exemption of any other provisions of the  
23 Information Technology Consolidation and Coordination Act.  
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1 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
2 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
3 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
4 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

5 Passed the Senate the 25th day of March, 2025.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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9 Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
10 2025.

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