

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR ENGROSSED
4 SENATE BILL NO. 68

By: Green of the Senate

5 and

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10 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

11 An Act relating to the Information Technology
12 Consolidation and Coordination Act; amending 62 O.S.
13 2021, Section 35.3, which relates to definitions;
14 expanding certain definitions; setting guidelines for
15 hiring personnel; providing for codification; and
16 declaring an emergency.

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

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

20 Section 35.3. As used in the Information Technology
21 Consolidation and Coordination Act:

22 1. "Appropriated state agency" means any state agency that
23 receives funding through the annual legislative appropriations
24 process;

1 2. "Information technology assets" means any equipment or
2 interconnected system or subsystem of equipment that is used in the
3 acquisition, storage, manipulation, management, movement, control,
4 display, switching, interchange, transmission, or reception of data
5 or information. The term shall include computers, ancillary
6 equipment, software, firmware and similar procedures, services,
7 including support services and consulting services, software
8 development, and related resources, and shall further include
9 telecommunications fiber networks used for conveying electronic
10 communication or information systems to multiple physical locations;

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

- 13 a. applications programming,
- 14 b. EDP audit,
- 15 c. data examination,
- 16 d. computer applications,
- 17 e. computer data entry,
- 18 f. computer networking,
- 19 g. computer operations,
- 20 h. computer programming,
- 21 i. computer security,
- 22 j. computer software design,
- 23 k. web applications,
- 24 l. database analysis,

- 1 m. data management analysis,
- 2 n. database development,
- 3 o. database programming,
- 4 p. software design/development,
- 5 q. help desk,
- 6 r. imaging,
- 7 s. systems analysis,
- 8 t. systems application planning,
- 9 u. systems application,
- 10 v. systems administration,
- 11 w. systems coordination,
- 12 x. systems integration,
- 13 y. systems operation,
- 14 z. systems planning/development,
- 15 aa. systems programming,
- 16 bb. systems engineering,
- 17 cc. systems service specialist,
- 18 dd. systems support,
- 19 ee. network administration,
- 20 ff. network management,
- 21 gg. network technical,
- 22 hh. operating systems specialist,
- 23 ii. systems program manager,
- 24 jj. telecommunications, whether data or voice,

1 kk. software training, and

2 11. technology development or support;

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

4 does not receive funding through the annual legislative

5 appropriations process;

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

7 are or could be provided through:

8 a. the services and systems specified in subsection A of

9 Section 35.6 of this title, and

10 b. the programs, services, software, or processes

11 specified in subsection B of Section 35.6 of this

12 title; and

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

14 officer, bureau, board, commission, counsel, unit, division, body,

15 authority, or institution of the executive branch of state

16 government excluding institutions within The Oklahoma State System

17 of Higher Education, the Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority, the

18 Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, the Oklahoma State

19 Bureau of Investigation, the District Attorneys Council, the Office

20 of the Attorney General, the Office of the State Auditor and

21 Inspector, and the telecommunications network known as OneNet.

22 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified

23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 35.7a of Title 62, unless there

24 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

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

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

12 1. The specific positions and job descriptions that the agency
13 plans to hire;

14 2. The qualifications of the positions;

15 3. Agreement by the state agency to be bound by the standards,
16 policies, and oversight set forth by the Chief Information Officer
17 for security and data integrity purposes; and

18 4. Any other terms deemed necessary by the Chief Information
19 Officer or the state agency.

20 No information technology personnel shall be hired or retained
21 by the state agency until a memorandum of understanding has been
22 fully executed by both the Chief Information Officer and the state
23 agency.

1 C. The Chief Information Officer, at his or her discretion, may
2 audit the state agency's compliance with the provisions of the
3 memorandum of understanding and any other requirements of this
4 section.

5 D. The authorization described in this section shall not be
6 construed as a waiver or exemption of any other provisions of the
7 Information Technology Consolidation and Coordination Act.

8 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
9 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
10 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
11 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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