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The Change Approval Process is one of the processes that we utilize within IT in order to approve or deny updates to the programs that we are working on within a team. This process is controlled by some would say “their boss” but it would be the management team or stakeholders who take part in approving the changes that were made by moving it up a chain.

These processes vary depending on the type of workflow and how important the changes are being committed are. After understanding how this process flows, we can also understand the dangers associated with them. For this instance, the process itself obviously can take time to get approval, this stems from either corporate politics or other aspects of corporate world that can get in the way.

Following the corporate aspect of this comes the downside of how these approvals and politics comes the abuse of that type of power. This would delay the process for them gaining a feature or some other objective within the company. It may seem unethical but it’s part of politicking within the corporate world.

The last danger I feel could pose a problem aspect would be implementing and having it be an effective strategy to handle change request approvals. From reading the Dora article, it was a huge bottleneck they implicated at due to need constraints on approvals and ensuring the correct updates are being approved.

The flipside is that if we can have the whole process perfect, you aren’t struggling with slow updates and even slower politics. The strategy would help improve the speed and quality of the updates that are being applied but the biggest pitfalls that hold this back are the approval boards, problems take too long to deal with, and overall just the human element of requiring people to follow certain metrics create a slower and less responsive update process.

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