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Sec. 7.7: Apprenticeships and Career-Based Opportunities in Cybersecurity for Disabled Veterans. (SL 2016-94)

Sec. 7.7 of S.L. 2016-94, as amended by Sec. 3.1 of S.L. 2016-123, requires the Department of Information Technology to create a cybersecurity apprenticeship program to provide training, apprenticeships, and career-based opportunities for disabled veterans who have at least a 10% disability rating as established by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. The State Chief Information Officer must conduct a competitive process to select up to five disabled veterans to participate in the apprenticeship program using funds allocated by the 2016 Appropriations Act, however the Department is permitted to use funds generated from receipts for continuation or expansion of the program beyond the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

This section became effective July 1, 2016.

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Sec. 7.10: Enterprise Resource Planning Design and Implementation. (SL 2016-94)

Sec. 7.10 of S.L. 2016-94 directs the Department of Information Technology (Department), in coordination with the Office of the State Controller and the Office of State Budget and Management, to plan and design an enterprise resource planning system (ERP) for State agencies by utilizing business process reengineering to identify and organize processes and workflow in order to prioritize and link work activities to realize efficiencies and organize around outcomes. The ERP system must address at least core financial management, grants, assets and inventory, fleet management, and human resource management with a request for proposal for a replacement system implementation prepared for release no later than July 1, 2017.

The Department must report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology on or before January 15, 2017, the results from the business process reengineering efforts, including minimum criteria specified in the section.

This section became effective July 1, 2016.

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Sec. 7.10A: Community Colleges System Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Design and Implementation. (SL 2016-94)

Sec. 7.10A of S.L. 2016-94 directs the North Carolina Community Colleges System Office (NCCCSO), in consultation with the Department of Information Technology, to begin planning and design of a modernized enterprise resource planning system (ERP) for the State's 58 community colleges. The ERP system must address student information systems, core financial management, grants, human resource

management, and payroll. A request for proposal for a replacement system implementation must be prepared for release no later than October 1, 2017, and the NCCCSO may use up to \$1 million of funds from the North Carolina Community College IT Systems Budget Code 26802 to support planning and request for proposal development efforts. The NCCCSO must submit a report on the results of the planning and design effort to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology by January 15, 2017.

This section became effective July 1, 2016.

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Sec. 7.11: Agency Exemptions From Department of Information Technology Oversight. (SL 2016-94)

Sec. 7.11 of S.L. 2016-94 amends the statute which requires certain State agencies to, during the 2015-2016 fiscal year, transfer information technology personnel, operations, projects, assets, and appropriate funding to the Department of Information Technology (Department) for the State Chief Information Officer (CIO) to prepare plans to transition each participating agency to the Department.

Sec. 7.11 of S.L. 2016-94 removes the Office of the State Controller from the list of participating agencies and adds the Department of Public Safety, with the exception of the: (i) State Bureau of Investigation; (ii) State Highway Patrol; and (iii) Division of Emergency Management. Accordingly, this section releases the Department of Public Safety from its requirement to work with the State CIO to plan its transition to the Department of Information Technology and report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and the Fiscal Research Division by October 1, 2018 on its plans.

This section became effective July 1, 2016.

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Sec. 12F.9: Expanded Use of Funds for Inpatient Psychiatric Beds or Bed Days. (SL 2016-94)

Sec. 12F.9 of S.L. 2016-94 expands the use of funds appropriated to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) in the 2015 Appropriations Act to purchase additional new or existing inpatient psychiatric beds or bed days not currently funded by or through LME/MCOs. This section authorizes DHHS to use up to 10% of the funds allocated for the 2016-2017 fiscal year for the State's three-way contracts to pay for facility-based crisis services and non-hospital detoxification services for individuals in need of those services regardless of whether the individuals are medically indigent.

This section became effective July 1, 2016.

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Sec. 32.1: Study E-Procurement Service. (SL 2016-94)

Sec. 32.1 of S.L. 2016-94 directs the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government to study the management of North Carolina's E-Procurement Service, including the amount of the vendor transaction fee charged to suppliers and the delay in implementation of an e-bidding module within the system. The Committee must report its findings, including any recommendations for proposed legislation, to the 2017 General Assembly.

This section became effective July 1, 2016.

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Sec. 7.6: Information Technology Spending Transparency. (SL 2016-94)

Sec. 7.6 of S.L. 2016-94 requires State agencies that have transferred their information technology personnel, operations, projects, assets, and appropriate funding to the Department of Information Technology, and other State entities for which such agencies have budgetary authority, to realign their information technology budgets and expenditures to provide transparency for their information technology, program, and division budgets, and to do so in time for these changes to be included in the 2017-2019 biennial budget.

This section also requires the Office of State Budget and Management to submit to the Fiscal Research Division, along with its submittal of the Governor's proposed budget for the 2017-2019 biennium, a report identifying each State agency's line-item budgeted information technology expenditure requirements, actual information technology expenditures, and sources of any funds transferred from other line items to cover information technology expenditures exceeding budgeted requirements.

This section became effective July 1, 2016.

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Sec. 7.9: Data Center Consolidation Exemption for Cloud-Based Solutions. (SL 2016-94)

Sec. 7.9 of S.L. 2016-94 provides that a State agency may, with the advance approval of the State Chief Information Officer, use applications that are natively and commercially sold and delivered as cloud-based applications without using the State infrastructure to host them.

This section became effective July 1, 2016.

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Sec. 7.12: Exempt Public Safety Divisions from Enterprise Active Directory. (SL 2016-94)

Sec. 7.12 of S.L. 2016-94 provides that the State Bureau of Investigation, the State Highway Patrol, and the Division of Emergency Management within the Department of Public Safety are not required to transfer management of their information technology resources to the Department of Information Technology by participating in the Enterprise Active Directory.

This section became effective July 1, 2016.

S792 - State Information Technology Contracts/Contractor Liability. (SL 2016-85)

S.L. 2016-85 requires limits of contractor liability for damages under State information technology procurement contracts. The act sets a presumption of liability of two times the value of the contract, with authorization for the amount to be raised to three times the value of the contract under certain circumstances.

This act became effective June 30, 2016, and applies to contracts entered into, extended via the exercise of options or otherwise, renewed, or amended on or after that date.

S814 - Designate State Chief Information Office as Secretary of Department. (SL 2016-96)

S.L. 2016-96 amends the State Chief Information Officer's title to include "Secretary of the Department of Information Technology."

This act became effective July 18, 2016.