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26	Section 1. Section 63F-1-104 is amended to read:
27	63F-1-104. Purposes.
28	The department shall:
29	(1) lead state executive branch agency efforts to establish and reengineer the state's
30	information technology architecture with the goal of coordinating central and individual agency
31	information technology in a manner that:
32	(a) ensures compliance with the executive branch agency strategic plan; and
33	(b) ensures that cost-effective, efficient information and communication systems and
34	resources are being used by agencies to:
35	(i) reduce data, hardware, and software redundancy;
36	(ii) improve system interoperability and data accessibility between agencies; and
37	(iii) meet the agency's and user's business and service needs;
38	(2) coordinate an executive branch strategic plan for all agencies;
39	(3) develop and implement processes to replicate information technology best practices
40	and standards throughout the executive branch;
41	(4) at least once every odd-numbered year:
42	(a) evaluate the adequacy of the department's and the executive branch agencies' data
43	and information technology system security standards through an independent third party
44	assessment; and
45	(b) communicate the results of the independent third party assessment to the
46	appropriate executive branch agencies and to the president of the Senate and the speaker of the
47	House of Representatives;
48	(5) oversee the expanded use and implementation of project and contract management
49	principles as they relate to information technology projects within the executive branch;
50	(6) serve as general contractor between the state's information technology users and
51	private sector providers of information technology products and services;
52	(7) work toward building stronger partnering relationships with providers;
53	(8) develop service level agreements with executive branch departments and agencies
54	to ensure quality products and services are delivered on schedule and within budget;
55	(9) develop standards for application development including a standard methodology
56	and cost-benefit analysis that all agencies shall utilize for application development activities;

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57	(10) determine and implement statewide efforts to standardize data elements;
58	(11) coordinate with executive branch agencies to provide basic website standards for
59	agencies that address common design standards and navigation standards, including:
60	(a) accessibility for individuals with disabilities in accordance with:
51	(i) the standards of 29 U.S.C. Sec. 794d; and
52	(ii) Section 63F-1-210;
53	(b) consistency with standardized government security standards;
54	(c) designing around user needs with data-driven analysis influencing management and
65	development decisions, using qualitative and quantitative data to determine user goals, needs,
66	and behaviors, and continual testing of the website, web-based form, web-based application, or
67	digital service to ensure that user needs are addressed;
68	(d) providing users of the website, web-based form, web-based application, or digital
59	service with the option for a more customized digital experience that allows users to complete
70	digital transactions in an efficient and accurate manner; and
71	(e) full functionality and usability on common mobile devices;
72	[(11)] (12) develop systems and methodologies to review, evaluate, and prioritize
73	existing information technology projects within the executive branch and report to the governor
74	and the Public Utilities, Energy, and Technology Interim Committee on a semiannual basis
75	regarding the status of information technology projects;
76	[(12)] (13) assist the Governor's Office of Management and Budget with the
77	development of information technology budgets for agencies; and
78	[(13)] (14) ensure that any training or certification required of a public official or
79	public employee, as those terms are defined in Section 63G-22-102, complies with Title 63G,
80	Chapter 22, State Training and Certification Requirements, if the training or certification is
31	required:
32	(a) under this title;
33	(b) by the department; or
34	(c) by an agency or division within the department.