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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING AN EVALUATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER
102 EDUCATION'S INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUNCTIONS AND
103 SERVICES BY THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, AND,
104 IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov/>.)

Joint Budget Committee. The bill requires the office of information technology (office) to evaluate, or to contract with a third party to evaluate, the information technology functions and services of the

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department of higher education for the purpose of assessing possibilities for a consolidation of existing information technology functions and services with those information technology functions and services managed by the office. The office is required to complete this evaluation by November 1, 2024. If the evaluation shows that consolidation would be beneficial, the office shall create a proposed plan and accompanying budget for consolidating the information technology functions and services of the department of higher education with those information technology functions and services managed by the office. For the 2024-25 state fiscal year, \$280,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the office to implement the act.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 24-37.5-124 as
3 follows:

4 **24-37.5-124. Evaluation of department of higher education**
5 **information technology services - repeal.** (1) BY NOVEMBER 1, 2024,
6 THE OFFICE SHALL EVALUATE THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUNCTIONS
7 AND SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR THE
8 PURPOSE OF ASSESSING POSSIBILITIES FOR A CONSOLIDATION OF EXISTING
9 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUNCTIONS AND SERVICES WITH THOSE
10 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUNCTIONS AND SERVICES MANAGED BY THE
11 OFFICE. AT A MINIMUM, THIS EVALUATION MUST ASSESS THE BUSINESS
12 FUNCTION, CRITICALITY, CAPACITIES, COMPLEXITY, TECHNICAL DEBT
13 STATUS, RISK, AND INTEGRATION CAPABILITY IN RELATION TO THE
14 FOLLOWING FUNCTIONS AND SERVICES:

- 15 (a) ASSET MANAGEMENT;
- 16 (b) DATA;
- 17 (c) DATABASE SERVICES;
- 18 (d) END-USER SUPPORT SERVICES;
- 19 (e) IDENTITY AND ACCESS;

- 1 (f) NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNICATIONS;
- 2 (g) SERVER AND STORAGE INFRASTRUCTURE;
- 3 (h) APPLICATIONS AND PLATFORMS;
- 4 (i) SECURITY SERVICES;
- 5 (j) DISASTER RECOVERY; AND
- 6 (k) SUPPORTED SITES.

7 (2) THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER MAY CONTRACT WITH ONE
8 OR MORE THIRD PARTIES TO CONDUCT ALL OR PART OF THE EVALUATION
9 REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.

10 (3) IF THE EVALUATION REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS
11 SECTION SHOWS THAT CONSOLIDATION WOULD BE BENEFICIAL, THE OFFICE
12 SHALL CREATE A PROPOSED PLAN AND ACCOMPANYING BUDGET FOR
13 CONSOLIDATING THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUNCTIONS AND
14 SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION WITH THOSE
15 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUNCTIONS AND SERVICES MANAGED BY THE
16 OFFICE.

17 (4) THIS SECTION IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025.

18 **SECTION 2. Appropriation.** For the 2024-25 state fiscal year,
19 \$280,000 is appropriated to the office of the Governor for the office of
20 information technology. This appropriation is from the general fund. To
21 implement this act, the office may use this appropriation for enterprise
22 solutions.

23 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,
24 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
25 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for
26 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
27 institutions.