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Memorandum

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TO: Joint Committee Joint Technology Committee

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SUBJECT: JTC Staff Analysis of JBC-Referred FY 2023-24 Operating Budget
Office of Information Technology
R-05 Road to Data Driven Decisions

Summary of Request

The Office of Information Technology (OIT) requests \$2,851,062 in Reappropriated Funds with 10.0 FTE in FY 2023-24 and \$4,223,703 with 20.0 FTE ongoing to develop the Enterprise Data Governance and Management Data Technical Service areas. The Joint Budget Committee (JBC) referred this portion of the operating budget request to the Joint Technology Committee (JTC) pursuant to Joint Rule 45(b), for the committee's review and recommendation as an IT-related operating budget.

Request Details

Data Center of Excellence. The OIT R-05 operating budget request seeks ongoing funding to evolve the Chief Data Office into the Data Center of Excellence. The Data Center of Excellence will oversee two services areas: Enterprise Data Governance Management and Data Technical Services. The budget request aims to create a governance framework that encourages data sharing, reduces data risk, fosters data maturity, and cultivate a culture of data-driven decision making. The new service areas will create a state data catalog and reduce data siloes within state agencies.

Enterprise Data Governance and Management services for this request includes:

- meta data;
- data catalog/inventory;
- data architecture, modeling, and design;
- data quality;

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- data literacy; and
- data security.

Additionally, data will be shifted from application-specific siloes to a statewide asset. According to OIT, the anticipated outcome of the unified statewide governance framework includes:

- alignment between OIT and state agencies;
- data sharing and documentation management to promote sharing efforts;
- improved data quality and utility;
- increased data security;
- providing agencies and agency staff the ability to be informed data users; and
- improved customer service.

Program Information

The Chief Data Office (CDO) uses the state's data to further secure constituent services and data-driven policy decisions. Additionally, the CDO utilizes data architecture, data integrations, data analysis/visualizations, and GIS to promote government efficiencies through quality data availability, automation of processes, and digitalization of services.

Options for Committee Action

The JTC has three options for committee action when it reviews an operating budget request and makes a recommendation to the JBC. The JTC can:

- recommend the request to the JBC for funding with no concerns;
- recommend the request to the JBC for funding with concerns; or
- not recommend the request for funding.