COMPUTER SYSTEMS PLANNING COUNCIL IT GROUPS IN THE LEGISLATURE

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Office of Legislative Information Technology - OLIT

This is the central IT group for the branch. The Office is located in the Legislative Services Division. It is responsible for developing, implementing and maintaining an IT infrastructure that helps to automate the business processes of the legislature. Its main purpose is to implement the branch Computer System Plan. OLIT is organized into two main sections: the Computer Services Section, and the Networking Services Section. The Computer Services Section is responsible for developing and maintaining computer systems, such as the LAWS system. The Networking Section is responsible for the providing a computing platform for the branch. Currently, our main computing platform is a Local Area Network (LAN) consisting of PCs attached to network file servers. We also have several application/web servers and still have some applications on the mainframe.

OLIT also has an Enterprise Architect position and a Security Officer position. The Enterprise Architect position is responsible for developing and maintaining an As-is architecture and a To-Be architecture. The Security Officer is responsible for developing and maintaining a security and disaster recovery program for the legislative branch.

Technical Planning Group - TPG

This group consists of mid level managers in the Legislature. The group usually meets on a monthly basis except during session when they meet less often. The groups main purpose is to provide guidance and planning to OLIT, the division directors and the Computer System Planning Council on IT projects and issues.

Web Team

This team is made up of staff of the primary permanent divisions of the legislative branch. The team's purpose is to help ensure that 1) users of the legislative branch website are able to easily find and understand comprehensive information about the legislature and legislative process; 2) the information provided on the site is complete, accurate, consistent, and up to date; and 3) the website reflects the mission and culture of the legislative branch and presents a positive "face" to the public. The Web Team provides guidance and recommendations to the division directors on content, organization, navigation, graphic design, and technological needs of the website.