

IT Recommendations adopted by the Select Committee on Efficiency in Government on February 7, 2012

Consolidation:

Request LFD staff to design a global motion for HB 2 that will establish agency data center costs equal to SMDC rates.

Request Montana State CIO approach MACO, the League of Cities and Towns and the Office of Public Instruction about possible demonstration project.

Request the LFC propose a global motion to separate out the rent and utility costs.

Montana Information Technology Act (MITA):

*The following recommendations were adopted by the subcommittee **pending** the outcome of the legislative audit of MITA. The Legislative Audit staff anticipates the audit will be presented at the June Leg. Audit Committee.*

Request the Montana State CIO identify the five governmental agencies/functions that touch the most Montanans on a regular basis and prepare a report, including recommendations on potential demonstration projects to improve efficiency and performance.

Request the Montana State CIO identify what changes need to occur under Montana's Procurement Act to better deal with IT-related purchases.

Request that Montana State CIO provide SCEG with an update at its September meeting on the implementation of the policies regarding Information Security Access Control and Information Security Identification and Authentication.

Request the Montana State CIO prepare a definition of public-private partnerships and provide a list of opportunities where such partnerships might better serve the State's needs.

Review and consider Legislative Audit findings – (1) suggested updates to the Montana Information Technology Act; (2) establish requirements for large project governance; (3) examine Montana State CIO responsibilities and subsequent powers and tools to oversee IT projects, infrastructure, investments, etc.

Budget and funding issues:

Request the Montana State CIO report back to SCEG on the State's experience with the current GIS multi-state procurement. (Report in March)

Request the Montana State CIO prepare a plan, including funding recommendations, for future bandwidth needs (including middle mile connectivity) and report back to SCEG in March

NOTE: This is a priority work item for the sub committee.

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Connectivity:

Request the Montana State CIO work with the Information Technology Managers Council, the Computer Systems Planning Council and Montana Interactive to create a policy or plan for future mobile computing needs. Included in the plan, it is suggested that they develop five governmental functions, including one in the Legislative Branch, as demonstrations projects to prove-out the technology and infrastructure support. (Report in April)

Request the Montana State CIO prepare a framework for use of cloud computing, and make a recommendation regarding the creation of a state cloud. (Report in April)

Request the Montana State CIO and the Records Management Committee develop a plan and report back to SCEG. (Report in March)

Request the Montana State CIO and E Government Committee to research and develop a list of electronic content management tools that can best meet an agency's basic ECM needs. (Report in April)