Analysis of Original Bill

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Related Bills: See Legislative History

Subject: State Agencies Establish Technology Modernization Goals

Summary
This bill would, under the Government Code, require state agencies to establish modernization goals.

Recommendation – No position.

Reason for the Bill
The reason for the bill is to modernize California’s government.

Effective/Operative Date
This bill would be effective and operative January 1, 2019.

State Law
Current law lacks a modernization goal directive similar to the directive this bill would create.

This Bill
This bill would require each state agency, including the Franchise Tax Board (FTB), to establish no later than January 1, 2020, modernization goals that would achieve one or more of the following objectives:

- Creating flexible, family-friendly workplaces.
- Establishing efficient and streamlined processes.
- Achieving cost savings.
- Reducing carbon emissions.
- Enhancing the transparency of public information.
- Increasing cybersecurity.
- Encouraging the use of cloud computing and other innovative platforms and technologies.
An agency’s modernization goals would be required to include, but not be limited to goals for the modernization of the agency’s information technology system and use of technologies that will improve the efficiency of the agency. Upon establishment of the goals, each agency would be required to create an implementation and cost assessment plan for achieving those goals.

This bill would define a “state agency” as every state office, department, division, bureau, board, commission, and the Legislature.

**Implementation Considerations**

Implementing this bill would not significantly impact the department’s programs and operations as the FTB has incorporated most of this bill's objectives in its Strategic Plan for 2017-2020 at [Strategic Plan 2017-2020](#).

**Legislative History**

SB 856 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, Chapter 719, Statutes of 2010) among other things, requires any service contract proposed to be entered into by an agency that contains an information technology component to be subject to oversight by the office of the State Chief Information Officer and reimbursement for the costs associated with the review.

**Other States’ Information**

Because this bill only requires a state agency to create modernization goals and a plan for achieving those goals, a review of other states’ tax information would not be relevant.

**Fiscal Impact**

This bill would not significantly impact the department’s costs.

**Economic Impact**

This bill would not impact the state’s income tax revenue.

**Support/Opposition**

Support: None provided.

Opposition: None provided.

**Arguments**

Proponents: Some could argue that requiring state agencies and the Legislature to develop modernization goals would improve technology systems.
Opponents: Some could argue that the wording is overly broad and may have an insignificant impact on the incorporation of technology by state agencies.

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