Summary Analysis of Amended Bill

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Subject: State Agencies Establish Technology Modernization Goals

Summary

This bill would, under the Government Code, require state agencies in consultation with the Department of Technology to establish modernization goals.

Recommendation – No position.

Summary of Amendments

The July 2, 2018, amendments require the modernization goals to be developed in consultation with the Department of Technology.

Except for the “This Bill” section, the department's analysis of the bill as introduced February 7, 2018, still applies. The “Fiscal Impact” and “Economic Impact” sections are restated for convenience.

This Bill

This bill would require each state agency, including the Franchise Tax Board, in consultation with the Department of Technology, 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.

**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.

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