

CHAPTER 16E

OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY

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16E.07 North Star.

16E.01 OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY.*[For text of subs 1 and 2, see M.S.2002]*Subd. 3. **Duties.** (a) The office shall:

(1) coordinate the efficient and effective use of available federal, state, local, and private resources to develop statewide information and communications technology and its infrastructure;

(2) review state agency and intergovernmental information and communications systems development efforts involving state or intergovernmental funding, including federal funding, provide information to the legislature regarding projects reviewed, and recommend projects for inclusion in the governor's budget under section 16A.11;

(3) encourage cooperation and collaboration among state and local governments in developing intergovernmental communication and information systems, and define the structure and responsibilities of the Information Policy Council;

(4) cooperate and collaborate with the legislative and judicial branches in the development of information and communications systems in those branches;

(5) continue the development of North Star, the state's official comprehensive on-line service and information initiative;

(6) promote and collaborate with the state's agencies in the state's transition to an effectively competitive telecommunications market;

(7) collaborate with entities carrying out education and lifelong learning initiatives to assist Minnesotans in developing technical literacy and obtaining access to ongoing learning resources;

(8) promote and coordinate public information access and network initiatives, consistent with chapter 13, to connect Minnesota's citizens and communities to each other, to their governments, and to the world;

(9) promote and coordinate electronic commerce initiatives to ensure that Minnesota businesses and citizens can successfully compete in the global economy;

(10) promote and coordinate the regular and periodic reinvestment in the core information and communications technology infrastructure so that state and local government agencies can effectively and efficiently serve their customers;

(11) facilitate the cooperative development of standards for information systems, electronic data practices and privacy, and electronic commerce among international, national, state, and local public and private organizations; and

(12) work with others to avoid unnecessary duplication of existing services provided by other public and private organizations while building on the existing governmental, educational, business, health care, and economic development infrastructures.

(b) The commissioner of administration in consultation with the commissioner of finance may determine that it is cost-effective for agencies to develop and use shared information and communications technology systems for the delivery of electronic government services. This determination may be made if an agency proposes a new system that duplicates an existing system, a system in development, or a system being proposed by another agency. The commissioner of administration shall establish reimbursement rates in cooperation with the commissioner of finance to be billed to agencies and other governmental entities sufficient to cover the actual development, operating, maintenance, and administrative costs of the shared systems. The methodol-

ogy for billing may include the use of interagency agreements, or other means as allowed by law.

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Subd. 9. **Aggregation of service demand.** The office shall identify opportunities to aggregate demand for technical services required by government units for on-line activities and may contract with governmental or nongovernmental entities to provide services. These contracts are not subject to the requirements of chapters 16B and 16C, except sections 16C.04, 16C.08, and 16C.09.

[For text of subds 10 and 11, see M.S.2002]

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