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Overview

This bill provides a number of changes to state information technology policy, including, among other things, requirements that: (1) a portion of each agency's IT budget be dedicated to cyber security; (2) local governments be consulted on projects impacting local governments; and (3) IT projects costing more than \$100,000 be developed and built through a vendor contract.

Section

- 1** **When.** Strikes language related to the inclusion of detailed information technology expenditures in the governor's budget recommendations. This language is re-codified in section 2 of the bill.
- 2** **Information technology and cyber security.** Recodifies language from section 1 requiring the governor to recommend detailed information technology expenditures as part of his biennial budget, and newly requires that these recommendations include cyber security.
The commissioner of management and budget is required to adopt budget guidelines for these recommendations which include, at a minimum, that at least 5 percent of an agency's total information technology budget be dedicated to cyber security in each fiscal year.
- 3** **Responsibilities.** Requires the Office of MN.IT Services to prioritize providing central information technology support services to agencies and other specified activities. Developing, designing, and building specific information technology projects is explicitly excluded from the mission of the office, unless money is appropriated for that express purpose.

Section

- 4** **Evaluation procedure.** Requires MN.IT to consult with affected local governments when evaluating a state agency IT project that impacts both state agencies and local governments.
- 5** **Cyber security systems.** Requires that at least 5 percent of the IT budget of an agency or department be dedicated to cyber security in each fiscal year.
- 6** **Systems impacting local government.** Requires information technology projects impacting local governments to be field tested by at least one local government before the project is approved for full release.

The field testing must successfully demonstrate the integrity, security, and quality of the technology, and that the functionality and usability of the overall project meet the expectations described in the project's proposal.
- 7** **Technology approval.** Requires that IT projects of more than \$100,000 be developed and completed through a vendor contract. Standards for awarding the contract are provided.

This section also includes conforming organizational changes to reflect the new policy.
- 8** **Legislative report.** Expands a new legislative reporting requirement, first enacted in 2017, to include information on IT project solicitations. This section also requires a notice to the legislature at least 30 days prior to an IT project being deployed for live use.
- 9** **Effective date.** Provides an effective date for the bill.