



1995 SENATE BILL 396

November 1, 1995 - Introduced by JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. Referred to Joint committee on Information Policy.

1 **AN ACT** *to renumber* 16.97 (6); *to amend* 16.003 (1), 16.971 (5) (e) and 16.971
2 (5) (f); and *to create* 16.971 (5) (em) of the statutes; **relating to:** information
3 technology resource planning and sharing by state agencies.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill is explained in the NOTE provided by the joint legislative council in the bill.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

PREFATORY NOTE: This bill was prepared at the direction of the joint legislative council's special committee on communication of governmental proceedings. The bill makes the following changes to provisions included in 1995 Wisconsin Act 27, the biennial budget act:

1. The bill expands the general duties of the department of administration (DOA) by directing DOA to encourage intergovernmental information technology resource planning and sharing.

2. Act 27 created an information technology investment fund and authorized DOA to distribute grants and other moneys from the fund to agencies to be used for information technology development projects. Act 27 established that no distributions may be made unless DOA determines that such use will permit the effective utilization of information technology by agencies and will be consistent with DOA's responsibilities to ensure adequate information technology resources for agencies under s. 16.971 (1m), stats., and to implement a statewide strategic plan for information technology purposes required under current law, s. 16.971 (2) (m), stats. This bill directs DOA, in authorizing these grants and distributions, also to ensure interagency information technology resource planning and sharing.

3. Act 27 directs each agency that receives an information technology grant or distribution to file a report within 13 months following the completion of the project, on a form prescribed by the secretary of administration, with the secretary and the cochairpersons of the joint committee on information policy. This report must describe the purpose of the project and the effect of the project on agency business operations as of the end of the 12-month period following completion of the project. This bill expands this reporting provision to require that the report also include whether the agency has shared, or will share, equipment or services installed or established under the project with another agency or a local unit of government.

4. The bill creates a nonstatutory provision that directs DOA to prepare and submit by July 1, 1996, to the cochairpersons of the joint committee on information policy a plan for implementing the duties of DOA to ensure interagency information technology resource planning and sharing and to encourage intergovernmental information technology resource planning and sharing.

1 **SECTION 1.** 16.003 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 16.003 (1) PURPOSE. The department shall carry out the purposes of this
3 chapter by improving the techniques used for such management specialties, not
4 limited by enumeration, as budgeting, accounting, engineering, purchasing, records
5 management and fleet management; by coordinating and providing services which
6 are used by more than one agency; by encouraging intergovernmental information
7 technology resource planning and sharing; and by reviewing agencies' programs and
8 management to identify problems and suggest improvements.

9 **SECTION 2.** 16.97 (6) of the statutes is renumbered 16.002 (2m).

10 **SECTION 3.** 16.971 (5) (e) of the statutes, as created by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27,
11 is amended to read:

12 16.971 (5) (e) No moneys may be authorized for use by the department under
13 this subsection unless the department determines that such use will permit the
14 effective utilization of information technology by agencies and will be consistent with
15 the department's responsibilities to ensure adequate information technology
16 resources for agencies under sub. (1m), to ensure interagency information
17 technology resource planning and sharing under sub. (2) (c) and to implement a
18 statewide strategic plan for information technology purposes under sub. (2) (m). If

1 a grant is distributed to the legislature, a legislative service agency, the courts, or a
2 judicial branch agency, the use shall be consistent with the appropriate plan under
3 s. 13.90 (6) or 758.19 (7). The department shall accord priority to utilization of
4 moneys under this subsection for projects that will effect cost savings, avoid future
5 cost increases or enable improved provision of state services.

6 **SECTION 4.** 16.971 (5) (em) of the statutes is created to read:

7 16.971 (5) (em) An agency which conducts an information technology
8 development project may share equipment or services installed or established under
9 the project with another agency or local governmental unit.

10 **SECTION 5.** 16.971 (5) (f) of the statutes, as created by 1995 Wisconsin Act 27,
11 is amended to read:

12 16.971 (5) (f) No later than September 30 annually, each agency which
13 conducted an information technology development project during the preceding
14 fiscal year, whether individually or in cooperation with another agency, that was
15 funded in whole or in part from the appropriation under s. 20.870 (1) (q), (r) or (s)
16 shall file a report, in a form prescribed by the secretary, with the secretary and the
17 cochairpersons of the joint committee on information policy. The report shall
18 describe the purpose of each project and the status of the project as of the end of the
19 preceding fiscal year. No later than 13 months following the completion of such a
20 project, each such agency shall file a report, on a form prescribed by the secretary,
21 with the secretary and the cochairpersons of the joint committee on information
22 policy. The report shall describe the purpose of the project and the effect of the project
23 on agency business operations as of the end of the 12-month period following
24 completion of the project, including whether the agency has shared, or will share,

1 equipment or services installed or established under the project with another agency
2 or a local governmental unit.

3 **SECTION 6. Nonstatutory provisions; sharing of information**
4 **technology resources.**

5 (1) (a) In this subsection:

6 1. "Agency" has the meaning given in section 16.97 (1) of the statutes.

7 2. "Local governmental unit" has the meaning given in section 16.97 (7) of the
8 statutes.

9 (b) The department of administration shall prepare and submit to the
10 cochairpersons of the joint committee on information policy by July 1, 1996, a plan
11 for implementing the duties of the department to ensure interagency information
12 technology resource planning and sharing under section 16.971 (2) (c) of the statutes
13 and to encourage intergovernmental information technology resource planning and
14 sharing under section 16.003 (1) of the statutes, as affected by this act. The plan shall
15 include identification of all of the following:

16 1. The types of information technology resources subject to the plan.

17 2. Alternative mechanisms for an agency to share information technology
18 resources and to make other agencies and local governmental units aware of
19 information technology resources that may be shared.

20 3. Expenses for which an agency sharing an information technology resource
21 may charge a fee to the agency or a local governmental unit using the resource.

22 (END)