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Overview

Transfers the Statewide Information Security and Privacy Office (SISPO) to the Arizona Department of Homeland Security (AZDOHS). Revises certain responsibilities of the Arizona Department of Administration (ADOA) and AZDOHS.

History

ADOA is responsible for developing, implementing and maintaining a coordinated statewide plan for information technology, monitoring state agencies, continuously studying emergent technology and evaluating the impact of such technology on Arizona's system. SISPO, a subdivision of ADOA, must serve as the strategic planning, facilitation and coordination office for information technology security. SISPO must also develop, implement, maintain and ensure compliance by each state agency with a coordinated statewide assurance plan for information security and privacy (A.R.S. §§ 18-101; 18-104; 18-105).

AZDOHS must formulate policies, plans and programs to enhance the ability to prevent and respond to acts of terrorism and other critical hazards. The AZDOHS must establish five councils, representing the north, east, south, west and central regions of Arizona. These regional advising councils must support and assist in implementing Arizona's comprehensive statewide risk assessment and an integrated regional approach to homeland security (A.R.S. §§ 41-4254 and 41-4258).

Statute outlines the responsibilities of the Information Technology Authorization Committee (ITAC) which include: 1) review established statewide information technology (IT) standards and the statewide IT plan; 2) approve or disapprove all proposed IT projects that exceed a total cost of \$1 million; and 3) conduct periodic reviews on the progress of implementing approved IT projects (A.R.S. § 18-121).

Provisions

Statewide Information Security and Privacy Office

- 1. Transfers SISPO from ADOA to AZDOHS. (Sec. 2, 10)
- 2. Permits the Director of AZDOHS to serve as, or appoint, the statewide chief information security officer to manage SISPO. (Sec. 10)
- 3. Maintains the duties of SISPO with the following additional duties:
 - a) establish a state security operations center for central detection, reporting and response efforts for security incidents and breaches across the state;
 - b) consult with ADOA for a full review of the security aspects for information technology projects; and

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- operate the information security aspects of the enterprise-level infrastructure managed by ADOA. (Sec. 10)
- 4. Authorizes AZDOHS to examine all book, papers, records and documents of any state agency and require the agency to provide necessary information or statements relating to information security and privacy. (Sec. 10)
- 5. Directs state agencies to demonstrate expertise to carry out security assurance plans. (Sec. 10)
- 6. Allows state agencies to enter into an agreement with ADOA or AZDOHS to meet statutory information security and privacy requirements. (Sec. 10)
- 7. Defines pertinent terms. (Sec. 10)

Arizona Department of Administration

- 8. Removes the requirement for ADOA to adopt statewide security standards for information technology. (Sec. 1)
- 9. Requires the statewide disaster recovery plan to identify risks in state agencies and directs agencies to adopt risk mitigation strategies, methods and procedures to minimize the risks. (Sec. 1)
- 10. Clarifies the evaluation of specific information technology projects relating to the statewide information technology plan to be in consultation with SISPO. (Sec. 1)
- 11. Instructs ADOA to:
 - a) manage enterprise-level information technology infrastructure, except for the information security aspects of the infrastructure;
 - b) develop strategies to protect the information technology infrastructure and the data stored on or transmitted by the infrastructure;
 - c) temporarily suspend access to information technology infrastructure when directed by AZDOHS and consult with AZDOHS regarding security policies, standards and procedures. (Sec. 1)

Arizona Department of Homeland Security

- 12. Permits the Director to appoint additional deputy directors. (Sec. 4)
- 13. Exempts the statewide chief information security officer from statutory provisions relating to state service. (Sec. 4)
- 14. Adds expertise in *cybersecurity* to the list of permissible qualifiers for appointment as the Director. (Sec. 4)
- 15. Broadens the types of employees the Director may employ. (Sec. 5)
- 16. Adds the following to AZDOHS's duties:
 - a) include, in the formulation of policies and plans, a response to acts of cybersecurity threats; and
 - b) adhere to all federal grant terms and conditions. (Sec. 6)
- 17. Removes the following from AZDOHS's duties:
 - a) develop a statewide homeland security strategy;
 - b) provide a summary of the amount of federal homeland security monies request to the Senior Advisory Committee;
 - c) provide a list of the allocations of federal homeland security grants to the Senior Advisory Committee;

- d) coordinate with other state and federal agencies to publish a guide for grantees that receive homeland security monies;
- e) conduct preparedness training exercises;
- f) assist in the development of regional response plans; and
- g) partner with and involve the private sector in preparedness efforts. (Sec. 6)
- 18. Removes the requirement that AZDOHS submit a homeland security allocation and expenditure report to the Joint Legislative Committee on Border and Homeland Security. (Sec. 7)
- 19. Clarifies the contents of the homeland security allocation and expenditure report. (Sec. 7)

AZDOHS Regional Advisory Council

- 20. Instructs AZDOHS to ensure reasonable distribution of area representation in the Council. (Sec. 9)
- 21. Removes restrictions on the maximum number of members that can appointed from a single county. (Sec. 9)
- 22. Removes, from the Council membership, a mayor and a county supervisor. (Sec. 9)
- 23. Retains the current membership until the expiration of their normal terms. (Sec. 11)
- 24. Permits members to designate a person to serve as the member's proxy, with approval. (Sec. 9)
- 25. Removes the requirement for a member to submit a biographical sketch of the proxy's experience for service. (Sec. 9)
- 26. Directs a Council to meet as needed, rather than at least four times a year. (Sec. 9)
- 27. Revises the responsibilities of the Council. (Sec. 9)

Miscellaneous

- 28. Includes the statewide chief information security officer, or the officer's designee, as a member of ITAC. (Sec. 3)
- 29. Repeals the Senior Advisory Committee and the Joint Legislative Committee on Border and Homeland Security. (Sec. 8)
- 30. Makes technical and conforming changes. (Sec. 1, 3, 6, 7, 9)