

Amend CSHB 4214 (house committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Section 2054.1184, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2054.1184. ASSESSMENT OF MAJOR INFORMATION RESOURCES PROJECT. (a) A state agency proposing to spend appropriated funds for a major information resources project must first conduct an evidenced-based execution capability assessment using a scoring method delivered by an independent third party to:

(1) determine the agency's capability for implementing the project;

(2) reduce the agency's financial risk in implementing the project; and

(3) increase the probability of the agency's successful implementation of the project.

(b) A state agency shall submit to the department, the quality assurance team established under Section 2054.158, and the Legislative Budget Board a detailed report that includes measurement and corrective actions for ~~[identifies]~~ the agency's operational and technical ~~[organizational]~~ strengths and any weaknesses that will be addressed before the agency initially spends appropriated funds for a major information resources project.

(c) Based on project costs, risks, and technical difficulty, the department may require a [A] state agency to ~~[may]~~ contract with an independent third party to conduct the assessment under Subsection (a) and prepare the report described by Subsection (b).

(d) The department may allow state agencies to purchase an execution capability assessment using the purchasing method described by Section 2157.068 for commodity items.