

AN ACT

relating to the position of chief information security officer in the Department of Information Resources.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter N-1, Chapter 2054, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 2054.510 to read as follows:

Sec. 2054.510. CHIEF INFORMATION SECURITY OFFICER. (a) In this section, "state information security program" means the policies, standards, procedures, elements, structure, strategies, objectives, plans, metrics, reports, services, and resources that establish the information resources security function for this state.

(b) The executive director, using existing funds, shall employ a chief information security officer.

(c) The chief information security officer shall oversee cybersecurity matters for this state including:

(1) implementing the duties described by Section 2054.059;

(2) responding to reports received under Section 2054.1125;

(3) developing a statewide information security framework;

(4) overseeing the development of statewide information security policies and standards;

1           (5) collaborating with state agencies, local  
2 governmental entities, and other entities operating or exercising  
3 control over state information systems or state-controlled data to  
4 strengthen this state's cybersecurity and information security  
5 policies, standards, and guidelines;

6           (6) overseeing the implementation of the policies,  
7 standards, and guidelines developed under Subdivisions (3) and (4);

8           (7) providing information security leadership,  
9 strategic direction, and coordination for the state information  
10 security program;

11           (8) providing strategic direction to:

12                   (A) the network security center established  
13 under Section [2059.101](#); and

14                   (B) statewide technology centers operated under  
15 Subchapter L; and

16           (9) overseeing the preparation and submission of the  
17 report described by Section [2054.0591](#).

18           SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 621 passed the Senate on March 23, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 19, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 621 passed the House, with amendment, on May 17, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 1, one present not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

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Date

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Governor