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AN ACT in relation to requiring a study and report on methods to modernize information collection, retention and dissemination practices in the state; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The director of the office for technology, in conjunction with the director of budget, the director of state operations, and the secretary of state, and in consultation with the state comptroller, shall study and issue a comprehensive report on methods to modernize the information collection, retention, and dissemination practices of agencies in the state.

1. For the purposes of this section, the term "state agency" shall refer to any agency, department, bureau, commission, board, task force, committee, public benefit corporation, or public authority, where a member is appointed by the governor.

2. Such study and report carried out pursuant to this section shall address the following issues:

(a) information resource management policies and guidelines and the possibility of developing uniform policies and guidelines in this area;

(b) how information is collected and retained by state agencies and what potential there is to modernize these functions in order to reduce paper waste and cost to the state agencies;

(c) how information is made available to the public and whether opportunities to modernize, reduce paper waste, and reduce cost exist;

(d) the best ways to modernize the information resource systems to reduce waste and cost while maintaining privacy, confidentiality, and security of information as needed or required and what challenges exist in this area;

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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(e) whether information technology solutions exist to address the needs of the state agencies regarding lowering waste and cost in their information management systems and a discussion of what those solutions would entail in terms of technology or other information management system changes; and

(f) any other information management issues, concerns, or recommendations the chief information officer deems necessary to include.

3. Such report shall be made to the governor, the speaker of the assembly, and the temporary president of the senate no later than January 1, 2013.

4. The director of the office for technology may request, and is authorized to receive, any information from any state agencies that is relevant and material to the completion of this study and report. Such information received by the office for technology shall be subject to the same requirements for confidentiality and limitations on use, if any, as are applicable to such state agency's use of such information.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be deemed repealed on April 1, 2013.