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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Bil Analysis

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Representation/Information Service Board
Brief title

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BACKGROUND:

The Washington State Information Service Board is created with a variety of authorities relating to computers and software including the authority: (1) Develop standards for acquiring and disposing of equipment and software and for confidentializing computerized data; (2) purchase and lease equipment and software or to delegate this authority to other agencies; (3) review and approve standards for telecommunication networks used by state agencies and (4) provide strategic planning.

The board is composed of 13 members, eight appointed by the Governor one appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the Superintendent of Public Instruction or her appointee one selected by the Speaker of the House of Representatives one selected by the President of the Senate and the director of the Department of Information Services Of the eight members appointed by the Governor one must represent higher education and must represent statewide elected officials other than the Governor and at least two must be representatives of the private sector.

The board selects chairpersons from among its members.

SUMMARY:

The make-up of the Washington State Information Service Board is altered.

Changes are made to the gubernatorial appointees The requirements deleted that one appointee be a representative of an agency under a state-wide elected official. The appointee who is representing higher education is required to be from the discipline of computer technology One appointee is to be the director of the Office of Financial Management. Five instead of three appointees are to be representatives of the private sector.

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The Superintendent of Public Instruction, or someone appointed by the Superintendent, no longer is a member of the Board.

Two additional legislative members are added to the Board by providing for two members of the House of Representatives, one from each of the major political parties, and two members of the Senate, one from each of the major political parties.

Copies of the project evaluations by the Department of Information Services must be sent to the policy committees of the Senate and House of Representatives with direct oversight responsibility for information technology projects.

FISCAL NOTE: Not Requested.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bills passed.