BILL SUMMARY

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Impact: OMES: Potential Increased Salary Cost

Research Analysis

The second proposed committee substitute for HB2329 modifies the salary, qualifications, powers and duties of the Chief Information Officer (CIO), a position that is appointed by the Governor. The measure:

- removes the requirement that the CIO also serve and the Secretary of Information Technology and Telecommunications;
- removes the statutory salary range of \$130,000 to \$160,000 for the CIO position. Instead the salary will set by the State Chief Operation Officer (COO) of the Office of Management and Enterprises Services (OMES) or the Governor;
- removes the minimum education requirements for the position;
- reduces the number of years of direct supervision experience required for the position from seven to five years;
- removes the requirement that the CIO have experience in administering bid processes;
- removes the requirement that the CIO have knowledge of telecommunications operations;
- requires the CIO to complete an annual report on the state's IT 3-Year Strategic Plan, submit the report to the State Governmental Technology Applications Review Board (GTARB), and publish the report on the OMES information services website;
- empowers the CIO to require state agencies to submit information necessary to complete the plan;
- authorizes the CIO to require state IT employees and state agency contractors that have access to protected state and federal data to undergo criminal history checks; and
- requires the CIO to approve IT service purchases greater than \$5000.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 2329 directs the salary of the Chief Information Officer (CIO) of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services (OMES) to be established by the Chief Operating Officer rather than being established by statute. The statute previously set the salary range of this position between \$130,000 and \$160,000. If the salary were to be set at a higher amount than currently allowed by statute, and OMES needs additional appropriation funds to cover that change, then there may be a fiscal impact from this measure. This measure also modifies various qualifications, powers and duties of the CIO; these modifications would have no direct fiscal or revenue considerations for the state.

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Other Considerations
None.
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