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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 129

Offered January 18, 2008

Directing the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission to study the quality, cost, and value of services provided to state agencies and public bodies by the Virginia Information Technologies Agency (VITA). Report.

 Patrons—Stolle; Delegates: Nixon and Nutter

 Unanimous consent to introduce

 Referred to Committee on Rules

WHEREAS, the Virginia Information Technologies Agency (VITA) is responsible for the operation of the IT infrastructure, including all related personnel, for the executive branch agencies declared by the legislature to be in-scope to VITA; and

WHEREAS, VITA is responsible for procurement of technology for VITA and on behalf of other state agencies as well as institutions of higher education; and

WHEREAS, state agencies and public bodies are still in the process of adjusting to a fee-based services model and the transition to the information technology infrastructure partnership with Northrop Grumman; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission be directed to study the quality, cost, and value of services provided to state agencies and public bodies by the Virginia Information Technologies Agency (VITA).

In conducting its study, the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission shall (i) evaluate the quality, cost, and value of the services delivered to state agencies and public bodies and (ii) characterize the impact to state agencies and public bodies resulting from the transition to a fee-based services model and to the information technology infrastructure partnership with Northrop Grumman.

Technical assistance shall be provided to the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission by VITA. All agencies of the Commonwealth shall provide assistance to the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission for this study, upon request.

The Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission shall complete its meetings by November 30, 2008, and the Director shall submit to the Division of Legislative Automated Systems an executive summary of its findings and recommendations no later than the first day of the 2009 Regular Session of the General Assembly. The executive summary shall state whether the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission intends to submit to the General Assembly and the Governor a report of its findings and recommendations for publication as a House or Senate document. The executive summary and report shall be submitted as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the processing of legislative documents and reports and shall be posted on the General Assembly's website.

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