VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2014 SESSION

CHAPTER 181

An Act to amend and reenact § 2.2-2006 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Virginia Information Technologies Agency.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 2.2-2006 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows: § 2.2-2006. Definitions.

As used in this chapter, unless the context requires a different meaning:

"Commonwealth information technology project" means any state agency information technology project that is under Commonwealth governance and oversight.

"Commonwealth Project Management Standard" means a document developed and recommended by the Chief Information Officer (CIO) pursuant to § 2.2-2008, and approved by the Secretary pursuant to § 2.2-225, that describes the methodology for conducting information technology projects, and the governance and oversight used to ensure project success.

"Communications services" includes telecommunications services; automated data processing services; local, wide area, metropolitan, and all other data networks; and management information systems that serve the needs of state agencies and institutions.

"Confidential data" means information made confidential by federal or state law that is maintained by a state agency in an electronic format.

"Enterprise" means an organization with common or unifying business interests. An enterprise may be defined at the Commonwealth level or secretariat level for program and project integration within the Commonwealth, secretariats, or multiple agencies.

"Information technology" means telecommunications, automated data processing, applications, databases, the Internet, management information systems, and related information, equipment, goods, and services. The provisions of this chapter shall not be construed to hamper the pursuit of the missions of the institutions in instruction and research.

"ITAC" means the Information Technology Advisory Council created in § 2.2-2699.5.

"Major information technology project" means any Commonwealth information technology project that has a total estimated cost of more than \$1 million or that has been designated a major information technology project by the Secretary pursuant to § 2.2-225.

"Noncommercial telecommunications entity" means any public broadcasting station as defined in § 22.1-20.1.

"Public broadcasting services" means the acquisition, production, and distribution by public broadcasting stations of noncommercial educational, instructional, informational, or cultural television and radio programs and information that may be transmitted by means of electronic communications, and related materials and services provided by such stations.

"Public telecommunications entity" means any public broadcasting station as defined in § 22.1-20.1.

"Public telecommunications facilities" means all apparatus, equipment and material necessary for or associated in any way with public broadcasting stations as defined in § 22.1-20.1 or public broadcasting services, including the buildings and structures necessary to house such apparatus, equipment and material, and the necessary land for the purpose of providing public broadcasting services, but not telecommunications services.

"Public telecommunications services" means public broadcasting services.

"Secretary" means the Secretary of Technology.

"State agency" or "agency" means any agency, institution, board, bureau, commission, council, or instrumentality of state government in the executive branch listed in the appropriation act. However, the terms "state agency," "agency," "institution," "public body," and "public institution of higher education," shall not include the University of Virginia Medical Center.

"Technology asset" means hardware and communications equipment not classified as traditional mainframe-based items, including personal computers, mobile computers, and other devices capable of storing and manipulating electronic data.

"Telecommunications" means any origination, transmission, emission, or reception of *data*, signs, signals, writings, images, and sounds or intelligence of any nature, by wire, radio, television, optical, or other electromagnetic systems.

"Telecommunications facilities" means apparatus necessary or useful in the production, distribution, or interconnection of electronic communications for state agencies or institutions including the buildings and structures necessary to house such apparatus and the necessary land.