## Office of Information Technology, State of Alabama Administrative Code Chapter 471-x-1 Organization

## 471-x-1-.02 Purpose and Composition

Code of Ala. 1975, § 41-28-1.1 sets forth the purpose of the Office of Information Technology:

- 1. The streamlining and consolidation of governmental functions is a priority and is of great importance to the economic well-being of the State of Alabama, to its citizens, and to ensuring appropriate and responsible use of taxpayer funds.
- 2. The Office of Information Technology was created in furtherance of the goal to streamline information technology in the state.
- 3. Effective utilization of information technology is paramount to reducing the cost of governmental operations and to serving the citizens of the state.
- 4. Excellence in support for all state agency information technology needs is critical to serving the people of Alabama.

The Section further states that the Legislature enacted Act 2017-282 "to transfer the responsibility and authority for information technology service delivery from the Department of Finance to the Office of Information Technology."

The Secretary of Information Technology is the chief administrative and executive officer of the Office of Information Technology, pursuant to Code of Ala. 1975, § 41-28-1. Pursuant to Code of Ala. 1975, § 41-28-3, the Secretary of Information Technology is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the Governor, is a member of the Governor's Cabinet, serves as the State Chief Information Officer ("CIO"), and is the principal advisor to the Governor on information technology policy, including policy on the acquisition and management of information technology and resources.

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