PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE CHIEF OF THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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Draft Language of Proposed Changes

Topic 1

- 1. NAC 242.110 Adoption by reference of Nevada Information *Technology and Security* [Systems] Policies and Standards [Manual]. (NRS 242.111)
 - 1. The Nevada Information *Technology and Security* [Systems] Policies and Standards [Manual] available on it.nv.gov are [is] hereby adopted by reference-[as it existed on September 1, 1992].
 - **Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, a copy of:**
 - (a) The Nevada Information Systems Policies and Standards Manual may be obtained from the Division of Enterprise Information Technology Services, 100 North Stewart Street, Suite 100, Carson City, Nevada 89701, for the price of \$25.
 - (b) Section 12 of the Nevada Information Systems Policies and Standards Manual may be obtained from the Division of Enterprise Information Technology Services, 100 North Stewart Street, Suite 100, Carson City, Nevada 89701, for the price of \$10.
 - 3. The Division will provide, without charge, a copy of the Manual to each state agency.]

<u>Explanation of Change:</u> The referenced manual has not existed for more than a decade, and the applicable policies and standards are available on the office's website at no cost.

Topic 2

NAC 242.010

1. [NAC 242.010 Definitions. (NRS 242.111) As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NAC 242.015 to 242.100, inclusive, have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.]

<u>Explanation of Change:</u> The referenced definitions, NAC 242.015 through NAC 242.100, are recommended for removal, so this regulation is no longer needed.

2. [NAC 242.015 "Administrator" defined. (NRS 242.111) "Administrator" means the Administrator of the Division.]

Explanation of Change: This term is now defined by NRS 242.013 and does not need a definition in regulation.

3. [NAC 242.020 "Division" defined. (NRS 242.111) "Division" means the Division of Enterprise Information Technology Services of the Department of Administration.]

<u>Explanation of Change:</u> Added in 1992, this definition is outdated as the name of the division is now defined by NRS 242.045 and does not need a definition in regulation.

4. [NAC 242.040 "Feasibility study" defined. (NRS 242.111) "Feasibility study" means the definition and examination of alternative methods to meet a requesting agency's business needs in determining whether a course of action based on the needs, priorities and capabilities of a project is possible.]

<u>Explanation of Change:</u> The parallel NRS is not currently reflected in statute and this definition should be removed. As the practice of requiring a feasibility study did not continue after the Department of Information Technology (DOIT) transition to EITS in 2011, any regulations concerning a feasibility study are recommended for removal.

11. [NAC 242.120 Feasibility study: Completion or waiver required before state agency may begin project. (NRS 242.111) A state agency shall not begin a project unless a feasibility study of the project has been completed or the requirement for a feasibility study has been waived by the Division.]

<u>Explanation of Change:</u> NAC 242.120 does not have a specific tie to any current NRS. As the practice of requiring a feasibility study did not continue after the DOIT transition to EITS in 2011, the related definition (242.040), this regulation, and similar regulations concerning a feasibility study (242.130, 242.140, and 242.150) are recommended for removal.

- 12. [NAC 242.130 Feasibility study: Determination of requirement; contents; participation by Division. (NRS 242.111)
 - 1. The Division will determine whether a feasibility study is required for each proposed project.
 - 2. Each feasibility study must include:
 - (a) A description of the problem to be resolved and its origin;
 - (b) The objectives, scope and anticipated results of the project;
 - (e) Any proposed alternate course of action;
 - (d) Sufficient information to allow the requesting agency and the Administrator to make decisions concerning the merits of the proposed project;
 - (e) An analysis of the costs and benefits and an assessment of the risks for each proposed alternate course of action; and
 - (f) A plan for the management of the project, including a schedule for reporting and reviewing the project.
 - 3. Each alternate course of action included in a feasibility study must be consistent with:
 - (a) The state agency's plan for the use of resources for an information system;
 - (b) The biennial state plan; and
 - (c) The standards set forth in the Nevada Information Systems Policies and Standards Manual.
 - 4. A requesting agency may conduct the feasibility study independently or in conjunction with the Division. If the Division participates in the study, it will charge the requesting agency for the cost of the services it provides to the agency.

<u>Explanation of Change:</u> As the practice of requiring a feasibility study did not continue after the DOIT transition to EITS in 2011, this regulation and similar regulations concerning a feasibility study are recommended for removal.

13. [NAC 242.140 Feasibility study: Maintenance of documentation. (NRS 242.111) Each state agency shall maintain sufficient documentation for each feasibility study to ensure the resolution of any questions concerning the purpose, justification, nature or scope of the project.]

<u>Explanation of Change:</u> As the practice of requiring a feasibility study did not continue after the DOIT transition to EITS in 2011, this regulation and similar regulations concerning a feasibility study are recommended for removal.