

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS CYBERINFRASTRUCTURE
10 TASK FORCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

12 TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS
13 CYBERINFRASTRUCTURE TASK FORCE.
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 10, Chapter 3 is amended to add an*
20 *additional subchapter to read as follows:*

21 10-3-2501. Title.

22 This act shall be known as the "Arkansas Cyberinfrastructure Task Force
23 Act".
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25 10-3-2502. Findings.

26 In establishing the Arkansas Cyberinfrastructure Task Force, the
27 General Assembly finds that:

28 (1) Implementation and sustainment of the 2008
29 Cyberinfrastructure Strategic Plan and associated policy development for
30 cyberinfrastructure is crucial to the future of the state and its citizens
31 and that the General Assembly must approach cyberinfrastructure policy
32 development thoughtfully and consider both near term and strategic goals in
33 its deliberations; and

34 (2) The state will benefit from an improved understanding of
35 cyberinfrastructure and the recommendation of cyberinfrastructure policies to
36 leverage technology investments in order to:



1 (A) Energize the economic development system of the state;
2 and

3 (B) Evolve cyberinfrastructure for the benefit of
4 education, research, and business creation, including specifically
5 commercialization of value-added products and services that increase gross
6 state product, per capita income, and job and wealth creation into the
7 state's economic development strategies.

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9 10-3-2503. Definition.

10 As used in this subchapter, "cyberinfrastructure" means shared high-
11 performance computing, data storage systems, data repositories, advanced
12 instruments, data center facilities, visualization environments, and people,
13 all linked together by software and an advanced statewide optical network to
14 improve and enable breakthroughs not otherwise possible.

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16 10-3-2504. Cyberinfrastructure Task Force.

17 (a) There is created a legislative committee to be known as the
18 "Arkansas Cyberinfrastructure Task Force", to be composed of:

19 (1) The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration
20 or his or her designee;

21 (2) The Director of the Department of Information Systems or his
22 or her designee;

23 (3) The President of Arkansas Science and Technology Authority
24 or his or her designee;

25 (4) The Chair or his or her designee and the Vice-Chair or his
26 or her designee of the Senate Committee on Transportation, Technology, and
27 Legislative Affairs;

28 (5) The Chair or his or her designee and the Vice-Chair or his
29 or her designee of the House Committee on Advanced Communications and
30 Information Technology;

31 (6)(A) Four (4) members appointed by the President Pro Tempore
32 of the Senate from a list of ten (10) persons submitted by the Arkansas
33 Broadband Advisory Council.

34 (B) The members selected under subdivision (a)(6)(A) of
35 this section shall include:

36 (i) One (1) member with expertise in optical

1 networks;

2 (ii) One (1) member with expertise in high
3 performance computing;

4 (iii) One (1) member with expertise in data center
5 operation and management; and

6 (iv) One (1) member with expertise in at least one
7 (1) of the following areas:

8 (a) Large-scale data storage;

9 (b) Computer visualization;

10 (c) Distributed authentication and
11 authorization architectures;

12 (d) Distributed collaboration environments; or

13 (e) Other software architectures relevant to
14 advanced cyberinfrastructure; and

15 (7)(A) Four (4) members appointed by the Speaker of the House of
16 Representatives from a list of ten (10) persons from higher education in the
17 State of Arkansas submitted by the Higher Education Coordinating Board.

18 (B) The members selected under subdivision (a)(7)(A) of
19 this section shall include:

20 (i) One (1) member with expertise in optical
21 networks;

22 (ii) One (1) member with expertise in high
23 performance computing;

24 (iii) One (1) member with expertise in data center
25 operation and management; and

26 (iv) One (1) member with expertise in at least one
27 (1) of the following areas:

28 (a) Large-scale data storage;

29 (b) Computer visualization;

30 (c) Distributed authentication and
31 authorization architectures;

32 (d) Distributed collaboration environments; or

33 (e) Other software architectures relevant to
34 advanced cyberinfrastructure.

35 (b) If a vacancy occurs on the task force, the vacancy shall be filled
36 in the same manner as the original appointment.

1 (c) The Cochairs of the Joint Committee on Advanced Communications and
2 Information Technology shall serve as cochairs of the task force and shall
3 call meetings as appropriate.

4 (d)(1) The task force may create *technical work groups*.

5 (2) The membership of an *technical work group* may include:

6 (A) Members and staff of the task force; and

7 (B) Individuals not affiliated with the task force.

8 (3) Members of the *technical work groups* shall serve at the
9 pleasure of the task force without compensation.

10 (4) *Technical work groups* may be created without limitation in
11 areas such as research applications, technology transfer, emergency
12 management, telemedicine, educational outreach, student technologists, and
13 other *technical work groups* as appropriate.

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15 10-3-2505. Purpose.

16 The purpose of the General Assembly in establishing the Arkansas
17 Cyberinfrastructure Task Force is to:

18 (1) Create, implement, and sustain a globally competitive
19 cyberinfrastructure strategy for the state; and

20 (2) Propose and recommend legislation for the General Assembly
21 each year.

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23 10-3-2506. Report.

24 The Arkansas Cyberinfrastructure Task Force shall submit a report and
25 its recommendations for any proposed legislation to the Joint Committee on
26 Advanced Communications and Information Technology and the Legislative
27 Council annually on or before August 1 beginning in 2010.

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29 10-3-2507. Staff support.

30 (a) Staff support for the Arkansas Cyberinfrastructure Task Force
31 shall be provided by the Bureau of Legislative Research.

32 (b) Upon written request of the Cochairs of the Arkansas
33 Cyberinfrastructure Task Force, additional support shall be provided by
34 agencies of state government.

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36 10-3-2508. Per diem.

1 (a) Legislative members of the Arkansas Cyberinfrastructure Task Force
 2 shall be paid per diem and mileage in the manner authorized by law for
 3 attendance at meetings of interim committees of the General Assembly.

4 (b) Nonlegislative members of the task force shall receive per diem
 5 and mileage at the rate authorized by law for attendance at meetings of
 6 interim committees of the General Assembly if funds are available and
 7 appropriated by the General Assembly to the pay per diem and mileage to
 8 nonlegislative members of the task force.

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