

## STATE OF COLORADO

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EXECUTIVE ORDER

## COLORADO FINANCIAL INFORMATION SYSTEM

Roy Romer  
Governor

- WHEREAS, the interests of good government and responsible, efficient use of public revenues require that state government continually improve its management of fiscal matters;
- WHEREAS, the legislative, judicial and executive branches believe that the planning, development, implementation, and operation of a broadly inclusive computerized financial information management system would improve the fiscal management of state government;
- WHEREAS, the successful installation of such a system would require the common commitment and close cooperation of all three branches of state government and the investment of substantial fiscal and human resources and such investment would be justified in terms of improvement in the management of state government;
- WHEREAS, the General Assembly has created the Commission on Information Management in the executive branch, with a majority of private sector members in order to accomplish a unified overview of state government computer systems and serve as a bridge between the various branches of state government on the critical issue of efficient and effective use of state automated data processing resources;
- WHEREAS, in view of the purposes for which it was created, the Commission is uniquely suited to have responsibility for overseeing the project and making recommendations to the governor and project director for the planning, development and implementation of a computerized financial information system; and
- WHEREAS, although the installation of a financial information management system is clearly an executive function, such a system would not be possible without the support of the general assembly, its belief that the system will accomplish its legitimate ends, and the appropriation of substantial sums of money over several fiscal years;
- NOW THEREFORE, I, Roy Romer, Governor of the State of Colorado, pursuant to authority vested in me under the statutes and constitution of the State of Colorado, DO HEREBY ORDER THAT:

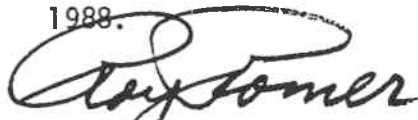
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- (1) The Commission shall oversee the creation of a computerized financial information management system for state government. Its oversight responsibilities shall include reviewing funding requests for the system and recommending appropriate funding to the general assembly, and making recommendations to the governor and project director for the planning, development and implementation of the system.
- (2) The financial information management system shall include the legislative and judicial departments, every department of the executive branch, and the required financial information to be received from institutions of higher education.
- (3) The financial information management system shall be consistent with all requirements established by law relating to financial administration and utilizing information of this system.
- (4) The project director shall be appointed by the Governor, after consultation with the Commission, the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate. The project director shall have authority and responsibility to manage the successful completion of the project, including the achievement of the defined scope, objectives, and coordination with all involved parties.
- (5) The project director, at subsequent phases shall, with the advice of the steering committee and the Commission, select a project manager who shall be subject to the approval of the governor. The project manager shall be responsible for performing the planning, development and implementation of the system under the supervision of the project director.
- (6) The project director and project manager shall be assisted by a steering committee consisting of eleven members, as follows: The state treasurer or her designee; the state auditor or his designee; the state controller or his designee; the executive director of the office of state planning and budgeting or his designee; staff director of the joint budget committee or his designee; the state court administrator or his designee; and five members appointed by the governor. The project director shall select a chairman from its membership. All major policy issues relating to system planning, development and implementation must have the approval of the steering committee.
- (7) The steering committee shall meet regularly with the project director and project manager and provide information, advice, and approval as required on all major policy issues.

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- (8) The Commission shall review the budget requests necessary for completion of the financial information management system and recommend supplemental and annual appropriations to the general assembly.
- (9) In order to ensure effective coordination and review with all involved parties, the project director shall:
  - (a) Provide periodic progress reports to the governor, commission, and steering committee;
  - (b) Conduct periodic project reviews with the governor, legislative leadership, and the chief justice.
- (10) No later than three months following complete conversion to the system, the project director shall submit a project completion report to the governor which evaluates the effectiveness of the project in meeting state needs, analyzes the costs and benefits of the project, and makes appropriate recommendations for further improvements to the system.
- (11) In order to provide for a coordinated and unified approach to the planning, development and implementation of the financial information management system,
  - (a) I hereby order the project director to fully cooperate with the designated officials in the legislative and judicial branches of state government to provide the necessary system support to meet their system needs.
  - (b) All executive departments are hereby directed to cooperate and participate in the system planning development and implementation effort.
- (12) The executive director of the Office of State Planning and Budgeting shall make a request to the general assembly to fully fund the project in the Office of the Governor.

GIVEN under my hand and the  
Executive Seal of the State of  
Colorado this 20th day of April  
1988.



ROY ROMER  
GOVERNOR

