

1       **2 V.S.A. Chapter 22: Legislative Information Technology Committee**

2       § 751. LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

3       (a) There is created the Legislative Information Technology Committee  
4       composed of eight members, four from the House of Representatives appointed  
5       by the Speaker, not more than three from the same political party; and four  
6       members from the Senate, appointed by the Senate Committee on Committees,  
7       not more than three from the same political party. Members shall be appointed  
8       each biennial session of the General Assembly, and vacancies shall be filled in  
9       the manner of the original appointment for the remainder of the biennium.

10       (b) The Committee shall elect a Chair and Vice Chair and shall adopt rules  
11       of procedure. The office of Chair shall rotate biennially between the House and  
12       Senate members.

13       (c) The Committee may meet during a session of the General Assembly at  
14       the call of the Chair or a majority of the members of the Committee. The  
15       Committee may meet no more than six times during adjournment, subject to  
16       the approval of the Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the  
17       Senate. A majority of the membership shall constitute a quorum. For  
18       attendance at a meeting of the Committee when the General Assembly is not in  
19       session, members of the Committee are entitled to compensation for services  
20       and reimbursement of expenses as provided under section 406 of this title.

21       § 752. FUNCTIONS

22       (a) The Legislative Information Technology Committee shall be responsible  
23       for the coordination and integration of information technology in the

1 Legislative Branch in order to ensure that legislative records that are created,  
2 received, stored, or transmitted by that technology enhance legislative goals  
3 and priorities and conform to Vermont's recordkeeping requirements.

4 (b) The Committee shall prepare, adopt, and maintain a long-range plan of  
5 at least five years for information technology operations and services in the  
6 Legislative Branch. The plan shall analyze the costs and benefits and risk  
7 management aspects of maintaining authentic and accessible legislative  
8 records as required by Vermont law. In the preparation of the plan, the  
9 Committee shall consult with members of the General Assembly, the  
10 Legislative Staff Information Systems Team established by section 753 of this  
11 title, and other legislative staff, the State Archivist, other representatives of the  
12 Executive and Judicial Branches of State government, and members of the  
13 public. The Committee shall provide the House and Senate Committees on  
14 Government Operations with copies of the plan and any amendment to the  
15 plan.

16 (c) The Committee shall also adopt an annual budget for expenditures for  
17 legislative information technology and services and present the same to the  
18 Committees on Appropriations of the General Assembly in each annual budget  
19 process.

20 § 753. LEGISLATIVE STAFF INFORMATION SYSTEMS TEAM

21 (a) There is created the Legislative Staff Information Systems Team to be  
22 composed of the following legislative staff officers or their designees:

23 (1) The Secretary of the Senate;

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- 1 (2) The Clerk of the House;
- 2 (3) The Chief Counsel of the Legislative Council;
- 3 (4) The Joint Fiscal Officer of the Joint Fiscal Committee; and
- 4 (5) The Sergeant at Arms.

5 (b) The Legislative Staff Information Systems Team shall provide  
6 assistance to the Legislative Information Technology Committee as requested  
7 by the Committee. It shall plan and coordinate information systems and  
8 resources for legislative staff and make recommendations to the Legislative  
9 Information Technology Committee with respect to information technology  
10 resources and services for all legislative staff for inclusion in the legislative  
11 information technology long-range plan and annual budget.

12 § 754. CONTRACTS FOR INTERNET SERVICE

13 Every contract for broadband Internet access service, as defined in 3 V.S.A.  
14 § 348(d)(1), for the Legislative Branch shall include terms and conditions  
15 requiring that the Internet service provider certify that it is in compliance with  
16 the consumer protection and net neutrality standards established in 3 V.S.A. §  
17 348.