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SENATE BILL 698

Short Title: State IT/Utility-Based Cloud Computing. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Hise (Primary Sponsor); Brock and Tarte.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

March 30, 2015

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT DIRECTING THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES TO
STUDY STATE AGENCY USE OF UTILITY-BASED COMPUTING.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. The Office of Information Technology Services (OITS) shall study use of and cost savings associated with the adoption of utility-based cloud computing services by State agencies. For the purposes of this section, "utility-based computing" means the process of providing computing service through an on-demand, pay-per-use billing method, metering the offered services. At a minimum, the review conducted by the OITS shall:

- (1) Evaluate the actual and potential usefulness of commercial cloud computing services by State agencies and whether expedited transition to cloud computing would offer significant savings to State agencies.
- (2) Evaluate how giving State agencies the ability to purchase information technology (IT) services in a utility-based model would result in savings from paying for only the IT services consumed.
- (3) Identify the capabilities required to implement utility-based computing, storage, and applications, including a rate structure.

By October 1, 2015, the State Chief Information Officer shall make a written report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology on the results of the OITS review of utility-based computing as mandated by this act.

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

