

STATE OF ALABAMA
Information Technology Policy

POLICY 603-00: SECURITY COUNCIL

Agencies desiring to expand their automation capabilities and bring more services to citizens via the Internet need to be aware of the security implications and limitations. Because ensuring the security of information and information systems requires collaboration among stakeholders with sometimes competing interests a council of information technology (IT) and cyber security experts shall be formed in order to discuss IT security matters and the formulation of statewide IT and security policies.

OBJECTIVE:

Create a State Information Technology Security Council and define council responsibilities.

SCOPE:

This policy applies to all Executive Branch agencies, boards, and commissions except those exempt under The Code of Alabama 1975 (Title 41 Chapter 4 Article 11). Specifically, this policy applies to all participants of the State Information Technology Security Council.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Information Services Division (ISD):

- Create a council comprised of Department of Finance, Information Services Division (ISD) Assistant Directors and selected IT and security personnel from other agencies.
- Define membership selection process and council responsibilities in applicable procedures.

Information Technology Security Council:

- Meet quarterly (or as needed) to discuss relevant IT and security matters affecting the State.
- Review agencies security needs and plans for deploying IT resources on the State network or systems, make recommendations to ensure secure implementation of network/system changes, and follow up on the implementation to ensure the required level of security is present to protect State information system resources.
- Collaborate on the development of statewide policies, procedures, standards, and guidelines to ensure the security of State IT resources and data.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Information Technology Procedure 603P1: Security Council

http://cybersecurity.alabama.gov/documents/Procedure_603P1_Security_Council.pdf

By Authority of Director, Information Services Division, Department of Finance

DOCUMENT HISTORY:

Version	Release Date	Comments
600-03	4/26/2006	Original
600-03_A	1/15/2008	Defined membership to include all ISD Assistant Directors.
603-00	5/10/2011	New number and format; changed meeting frequency from monthly to quarterly.