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House Bill 4096 (Substitute H-3 as reported without amendment)

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House Committee: Oversight, Reform, and Ethics

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The bill would amend the Management and Budget Act to require the Department of Technology, Management, and Budget (DTMB) to issue directives requiring all State agencies to provide the Department with, and make available through a link on their website homepages, all of the following information regarding the expenditure of State funds:

- -- The name of the entity receiving the funds.
- -- The amount of State funds.
- -- The funding State agency.
- -- A descriptive purpose of the funding action or expenditure.
- -- Any other information required by the Department.

The bill would define "expenditure of state funds" as an expenditure of appropriated or nonappropriated funds processed through the State's central accounting system by an executive branch agency. The term would include, but not be limited to, State purchases, contracts and subcontracts, and grants.

By January 1, 2013, the DTMB would have to develop and operate a searchable website accessible by the public at no cost for access to this information.

Proposed MCL 18.1448 Legislative Analyst: Suzanne Lowe

FISCAL IMPACT

State departments and agencies could experience an indeterminate fiscal impact from complying with the bill's requirements. For some State departments and agencies, these costs could be absorbed within the departments' or agencies' annual budgets; for others, there could be additional compliance costs that exceeded annual appropriations.

The DTMB already has a public website in place; thus, there would be no additional costs to the Department associated with creating a website. However, there could be additional administrative costs to the DTMB associated with the collection of data from State departments and agencies and the posting of the data on the DTMB's public website. Additional costs could include the additional website development and maintenance that could become necessary, depending on the directives issued as proposed in the bill.

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