



Memorandum

To: Members of the Joint Budget Committee
From: Andrew McLeer, JBC Staff (303-866-4959)
Date: March 5, 2026
Subject: Staff Recommendation for JBC Referral of OIT R1 (SB-205 AI Compliance) and OIT R7 (IT Common Policy Adjustments)

In recent weeks, the Joint Technology Committee (JTC) has expressed interest in the R1 (SB 24-205 AI Compliance) and R7 (IT Common Policy Adjustments) for the Office of Information Technology (OIT), including a request to make formal recommendations on both items.

Staff is recommending referral of both budget decisions to the JTC. The Joint Budget Committee is substantially aided in making better decisions related to IT expenditures because of the structure, oversight, and technical staff resources of the JTC. Joint Rule 45(b) provides that the Joint Budget Committee may refer any budget request to the Joint Technology Committee (JTC). This memorandum provides a summary of the IT-related budget decisions staff is recommending for referral to the JTC.

The following descriptions provide a brief summary of the request and the reasoning and recommendation for referral to the JTC.

OIT R1 Statewide S.B. 24-205 AI compliance: The Office requests \$5.2 million total funds, including an estimated \$3.4 million General Fund and 33.8 FTE, on behalf of all state agencies for implementation of S.B. 24-205 (AI Compliance). Of this total, the Office requests \$922,512 reappropriated funds and 3.5 FTE for their own operations.

OIT R7 IT Common Policy Adjustments: The Office requests \$10.8 million total funds, including an estimated \$1.2 million General Fund, to reflect adjustments to made by OIT and projected utilization of services by Departments.

Staff recommends referral of both items to the JTC. This would allow the JBC to utilize the technical expertise of the JTC and their staff to get the best possible information for these IT expenditures, including information from the constitutive Departments.

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Pursuant to Joint Rule 45(b), the Joint Budget Committee (JBC) has referred for the technical review of the Joint Technology Committee (JTC) two statewide operating requests for FY 2026-27 from the Office of Information Technology (OIT). If deemed appropriate by the JTC, the JBC also recommends these operating expenses, if approved, be reviewed periodically by the JTC for progress tracking and oversight. The following two items have been referred to the JTC:

- **OIT R1 Statewide S.B. 24-205 AI compliance:** The Office requests \$5.2 million total funds, including an estimated \$3.4 million General Fund and 33.8 FTE, on behalf of all state agencies for implementation of S.B. 24-205 (AI Compliance). Of this total, the Office requests \$922,512 reappropriated funds and 3.5 FTE for their own operations.
- **OIT R7 IT Common Policy Adjustments:** The Office requests \$10.8 million total funds, including an estimated \$1.2 million General Fund, to reflect adjustments to made by OIT and projected utilization of services by Departments.

If there are any questions or concerns, JBC Staff for the OIT budget can be contacted at Andrew.mcleer@coleg.gov or 303-866-4959.

Sincerely,

Representative Emily Sirota, Chair