

## 6. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

### 6.1 Highlights

Ratified Senate Bill 1005 (Appropriations Bill) of the 2001 Session of the General Assembly sets forth requirements paraphrased as follows:

- Any department desiring to request financial aid of \$100,000 or greater from the State for the purpose of acquiring or maintaining technology shall submit to the State Chief Information Officer (CIO) a statement of its needs and furnish the CIO with any additional information required by the CIO.
- The CIO shall review the statements of need and perform additional analyses as necessary.
- The CIO shall make recommendations to the Governor regarding the merits of the above requests.

Ratified Senate Bill 991 of the 2003 Session of the General Assembly sets forth requirements paraphrased as follows:

- The CIO shall review all new information technology projects that exceed \$500,000 in lifecycle costs for quality assurance and no agency shall proceed with such an information technology project until the CIO approves the proposal.
- The CIO may suspend any such project that does not maintain quality assurance.
- The CIO shall determine the proper degree of review for projects that are less than or equal to \$500,000 in lifecycle costs.

### 6.2 Process

The IT Project Approval Form will be used by all Agencies submitting expansion requests for Information Technology projects. The form and instructions are posted at <http://www.its.state.nc.us/> by the office of Information Technology Services. The completed forms must be submitted to [ETSPO@ncmail.net](mailto:ETSPO@ncmail.net) at ITS, which will distribute them to OSBM. Each Information Technology expansion request Worksheet II must have a corresponding IT Project Approval Form.