The House Committee on Government Transparency & Operation

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Pursuant to a notice posted on March 14, 2016, the House Committee on Government Transparency & Operation met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Elkins, at 10:03 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Elkins; Walle; Galindo; Gonzales, Larry; Gutierrez; and Leach.

A quorum was present.

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Teri Avery, Clerk

(Representative Turner, Scott now present.) The committee met to take testimony on the following three charges: Identify and address potential gaps in the state's cybersecurity policies and ensure that personal information held by state agencies is secure. Address whether industry-accepted cybersecurity standards have been met by state agencies and state data centers and determine ways to promote a culture of cybersecurity awareness among users of state information resources. Examine purchasing practices by state agencies to ensure such practices are efficient and transparent. Study the use of commercial cloud computing by state agencies and institutions of higher education, including efficiencies surrounding a utility-based model, security impacts of transitioning to cloud computing, and cost-savings achieved by the utilization of commercial cloud computing services. Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.) At 2:55 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair. Rep. Elkins, Chair