

  
**State of Iowa**  
**Executive Department**

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 66**

**WHEREAS,**

open access to public information and government services is the expectation of Iowa's citizens and the obligation of state government; and

**WHEREAS,**

the implementation of effective progressive public policies places an increasing reliance upon information technology by state agencies and other governmental entities; and

**WHEREAS,**

the use of public networks, such as the Internet, has gained wide acceptance for locating, processing, and transferring information and delivering services between and among citizens, organizations, businesses, state agencies and other governmental entities; and

**WHEREAS,**

the delivery of government information and services using public networks and information technology must be managed with great care to meet the objectives of the citizens and their government; and

**WHEREAS,**

the seventy-seventh General Assembly passed legislation to authorize a program called IowAccess that will bring government information and services electronically to the public, business and industry using the Internet.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,**

Terry E. Branstad, Governor of the State of Iowa, by the virtue of the authority vested in me by the Laws and Constitution of the State of Iowa, to establish an IowAccess Advisory Council to foster, facilitate and encourage the development and operation use of IowAccess, do hereby order that:

1. An Iowa Access Advisory Council is created to provide advice and counsel to the Director of Information Technology Services in the development, implementation, operation and growth of Iowa Access. I direct the Director of Information Technology Services to appoint Advisory Council members who represent the following businesses, industries, governmental entities and professions:
  - A. A person representing financial institutions who shall be actively engaged in finance and banking.
  - B. A person representing insurers who shall be actively engaged in the insurance industry.
  - C. A person representing attorneys who shall be actively engaged in the profession of law.
  - D. A person representing media interests.
  - E. A person representing cities who shall be actively engaged in the administration of a city.
  - F. A person representing counties who shall be actively engaged in the administration of a county.
2. I instruct the Director of Information Technology Services to select the members appointed by the Director from a list of candidates nominated by interested organizations from the businesses, industries, governmental entities and professions identified above.
3. The Director may appoint or invite additional members to participate on the Advisory Council including other heads of agencies or elected officials or their designees as well as other representatives of the public, business, and industry as determined by the Director of Information Technology Services.
4. The members of the Advisory Council appointed by the Director may serve terms of up to three years. Advisory Council members may be appointed for more than one term.
5. In addition, I hereby appoint the Director of the Department of Management or designee to the Advisory Council.

6. I also invite and encourage the General Assembly to appoint two representatives to the Advisory Council from its membership or designees.
7. I also invite and encourage the Chief Justice of the Iowa Supreme Court or designee to participate on the Advisory Council.
8. I also invite and encourage the State Auditor or designee to participate on the Advisory Council.
9. I hereby instruct the Director of Information Technology Services to seek the advice and counsel of the Advisory Council regarding the following matters with respect to the development, implementation, operation and growth of IowAccess:
  - A. Developing a process for reviewing and establishing priorities for implementation of electronic access to government records.
  - B. Establishing priorities for implementing electronic access to government records.
  - C. Establishing priorities for implementing electronic transactions involving government agencies and members of the public.
  - D. Budgeting, funding, and operating expenses related to developing, implementing, and maintaining electronic access to government records.
  - E. Reviewing, inspecting, and evaluating the technology and financial audits required by law for the purpose of recommending to the Director of Information Technology Services such program improvements, efficiencies, and priorities as the Advisory Council shall deem prudent.
  - F. Reviewing the basis of all charges and fees to the public for accessing government records electronically to ensure that the charges are reasonable and comply with applicable law, and recommending statutory or other changes relative to the basis for fees and charges associated with electronic access to governmental records.

G. Monitoring privacy and confidentiality of public records which are accessed electronically.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Iowa to be affixed. Done at Des Moines this 21st day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight.

*Tom E. Branstad*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

*Paul J. Bate*  
SECRETARY OF STATE