INTEGRATED INFORMATION FOR IOWA

I/3 Project Supporting the Needs of Decision Makers

The I/3 Project provides effective integration of information with innovative redesign of business processes. I/3 will provide greater responsiveness to decision makers, increased accountability to state officials and citizens, and improved productivity and efficient delivery of services across State Government. The I/3 Project is positioned to supply information to executive and legislative branch decision-makers. Below are some instances where I/3 will provide additional and critical information to decision-makers.

Program Elimination Commission (PEC):
- I/3 efforts are in line with the intent of the State Government Administrative Services recommendations of the Commission. For example, in the areas of financial accounting, purchasing and HR/benefits/payroll, I/3 has the capability to support consolidating independent systems with functionality fulfilled by I/3, promoting increased efficiency and the elimination of duplicative processes.

- Performance budgeting, the incorporation of performance measures in the new budget system, and linking financial information with measures information, are important components of I/3 and the Accountable Government Act. The PEC supported this initiative in saying...

> "The Commission strongly recommends the Legislative and Executive branches agree on a strict timetable for the development of a performance-based budget, which would present department budgets around specific results intended to be achieved. Results measures would be required to be reported for each area of the budget. This approach will provide legislators with budget information that more readily enables spending decisions based on priorities and policy. The Commission was stymied in its efforts to evaluate programs due to a lack of data and the current organization of the budget.
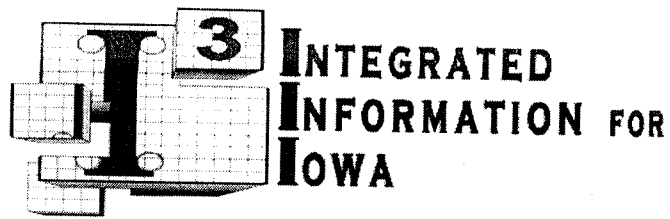>
> The implementation of the new financial and budgeting system provides an ideal time for performance budgeting to be implemented." (Ref: implementation of the I/3 Project)

Department of Administrative Services (DAS):
- The Department of Administrative Services consolidates administrative functions within state government. I/3 directly contributes to the efficiencies of DAS by consolidating and streamlining the central administrative systems and business processes of state government.

Oversight Committee:
- As part of its responsibility to review departments, the Oversight Committee examined departments involved in "Advocacy." Advocacy is a core function. As part of the new I/3 budget component, information can be collected based on advocacy activities in state government.

- The Oversight Committee has reviewed programs in state government. The identification of activities/services and products could provide valuable information to legislators in these reviews. The I/3 data warehouse has the capabilities to meet these needs as well as maintain financial and other information on state government.

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The Integrated Information for Iowa (I/3) project would like to invite you to a demonstration of the new budget, finance and data warehouse components.

When and Where:

Tuesday, January 28, 2003
8 to 9 am
Kennedy Conference Room
Capitol Building

Breakfast will be provided.

I/3 is an integrated solution, sharing a centralized database with all users: Budget, Finance, Human Resources, Benefits, Payroll and e-Procurement. Typically, such initiatives reduce time/labor costs by approximately 1% - that's $10 million annually.

Last year, the legislature provided the first year of support for this project. We are seeking support for the 2nd and 3rd years to implement these tools for state government.

We would like to provide an update on the information available to you, the decision-makers.

The new system will

- Allow easier and quicker access to data through the web to legislators, state staff, and the public
- Provide information on the impact of programs by comparing financial information with performance results
- Provide simple analysis tools to analyze budget information for decision-making
- Allow drill down capabilities to view information by pre-determined topic or entity
- View timely, on-line reports through the data warehouse