

Five Minutes of Fame

Washington State



Infrastructure

- Continuing our journey into DevOps by automating database deployments. Reduces errors, increases operational efficiency and velocity.
- New hyper-converged infrastructure. Increased performance and reduces time spent on operational tasks. Step towards our cloud journey!
- 90% of our Windows 2008 servers have been upgraded or migrated to a modern platform.
- Implemented DLP for SharePoint Online. Detects and notifies when PII or banking information is uploaded.
- Transitioned from stand-alone web servers to redundant and highly available web farms.
- Automated web server setup and website deployments.
- Implemented record retention for mobile phones issued by the legislature.
- Migrated Skype from on-premise to Skype in the cloud.
- Upgraded network backbone to 10 Gb.



Information Security

- Deployed MFA for Office 365 access and in **3 months** it has stopped over 95% of our account compromises, compared to last year.
- Deployed enhanced security monitoring and reporting (Splunk and Tenable) that speeds up response times and decreases discovery time.
- Complete Security Audit and started to implement recommendations.
- Geo Protection is reducing attacks by ~280,000 per DAY!!

Audio Visual Team

- Upgraded hearing rooms to include camera switching based on microphone use.
- Upgraded Cable TV system to a more robust offering while maintaining analog signal.
- Increased use of remote testimony in Senate and House.

Software Development

- This was the first session for the new set of committee applications.
- We delivered an application for young people to apply online to be pages and to move the application through the recommendations from their legislators and school principals. Workflow includes all paperwork.
- Modernized the little application that prepares a specially-sized paper version of Member calendars.
- We provided an application for Senators to compose the floor motions when they are working bills on the floor.
- We are just now delivering a modernized leave request and approval system.
- Agile Reboot. We have divided the developers into four teams, adopted Scrum, standardized our sprints and Scrum ceremonies, and adopted additional Agile practices.

Software Development Continued...

We are currently working on applications for the following business areas:

- Creating and managing committee analyses of bills as they move through the process.
- Running a usability pilot project to make the UI for the Electronic Bill Book easier for members and caucus staff to use.
- Identifying and evaluating tools for custom bulk email responses for the member offices.
- Modernizing the Journal application and integrating it more closely with the Voting System.
- Moving standard reports such as bills by sponsor, bills in/out of committee, roll calls on a bill, bills by topic to a modern, mobile-friendly UI.
- Requesting and managing staffs' interim work schedules.
- Making the online version of the administrative rules and regulations [the WAC] the official version.
- Making it possible for the state actuary's office to import data sets from the various retirement systems and process the data.

Our director, Mike Rohrbach, testified before the U.S. House's Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress on July 24th. Search YouTube to watch!

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