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## AGENDA ITEM MEMO

**BOARD MEETING DATE:** July 24, 2025

**TO:** Board Members

**THROUGH:** Bryan McMath, Executive Administrator  
Ashley Harden, General Counsel  
Georgia Sanchez, Chief Financial Officer

**FROM:** Edna Jackson, Deputy Executive Administrator, Operations & Administration  
Patricia Avitia, Chief Information Officer

**SUBJECT:** Shared Technology Services Contract Amendment

### **ACTION REQUESTED**

Consider authorizing the Executive Administrator to execute an amendment to the Shared Technology Services (STS) interagency contract with the Department of Information Resources to extend the contract to August 31, 2027, with a contract amount not to exceed \$11,418,885 during the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-2027 biennium.

### **BACKGROUND**

In 2005, the 79th Legislature passed House Bill 1516 directing the Department of Information Resources to consolidate agencies' information technology (IT) infrastructures. The objective was to reduce statewide IT service costs, modernize aging infrastructure, and enhance security and disaster recovery capabilities. Today, the STS program supports more than 200 state agencies and institutions of higher education, including the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). Requests for STS funding to sustain these critical technology services are made as part of the biennial budget process and periodically require approval.

### **KEY ISSUES**

None.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Executive Administrator recommends approval to authorize the Executive Administrator to execute an amendment to the STS interagency contract with the Department of Information Resources, extending the contract to August 31, 2027, with a contract amount not to exceed \$11,418,885 during the (FY) 2026-2027 biennium. This contract amendment

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is needed to ensure the TWDB's continued participation in the legislatively mandated STS program and for the agency to benefit from the efficiencies and economies it provides.