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*Consolidate the IT functions of Statewide HR, Finance, and OIT.*

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Thank you for your suggestion. The consolidation of IT functions within statewide administration is definitely one of the issues currently under consideration. Over the past 30 years, IT has been reorganized, reengineered, outsourced, decentralized, centralized, and otherwise shook-up in almost every configuration we could imagine. As one of the "big ticket" programs in SW this kind of scrutiny is expected. As your suggestion implies, the IT functions of HR, Planning & Budget and Finance are not in the same tent, but they do play on the same field. It is unclear at this point whether there are cost savings to be made through greater consolidation, but it is definitely worth further review and consideration.

Again, thank you for your input.

Wendy Redman

**FOLLOW-UP: Review with Steve Smith.**