

# STATE BUDGET

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### DIGITAL FUND PROVIDES PROJECT PIPELINE TO INDUSTRY

Bolstering cyber security, improving government efficiency, and promoting a pipeline of investment in the digital sector will be the focus of a new fund unveiled in today's State Budget.

The Government will establish the Digital Investment Fund, comprising \$200 million over five years to drive strategic and targeted investment in digital initiatives across the South Australian public sector.

The fund will improve value for money outcomes for government and provide opportunities for the digital industry sector through a commitment to a pipeline of digital projects.

It will improve government procurement of ICT platforms, and the pipeline will be published to provide the sector with more confidence and information to assist in planning.

The Digital Investment Fund will be subject to a robust governance structure and assurance oversight, applying a transparent and consistent prioritisation of digital initiatives. Agencies will be required to co-fund projects where possible.

The Treasurer will be responsible for oversight and reporting on the operation of the Fund, including funding allocations to approved projects.

The following are priority initiatives for early consideration:

- Cyber – enhanced security
- Replacement of justice sector ICT systems and applications
- Replacement of the Child Protection Case Management Information System
- Upgrade of Human Services screening systems
- Emergency Services incident management system
- State connectivity strategy
- Parliamentary election system

A small team will be established in DTF to administer the fund, provide support and advice to a Steering Committee and to work with agencies to assist them in the development of submissions and, where required, in aspects of project delivery.

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### Quotes attributable to Stephen Mullighan

*This investment will provide the digital sector with the confidence that comes with a pipeline of projects, and streamline the Government's ability to prioritise its overall project management*

*This will save us money in the long-term and signal an ongoing investment for the sector – that means a boost for both jobs and the economy.*

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