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MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative Sara Hannan, Chair
Legislative Council

FROM: Tim Banaszak, CIO 
Integrated Technology Services

DATE: November 28, 2022

SUBJECT: End-of-Life Cybersecurity Hardware Replacement Request

I am requesting Legislative Council's funding approval to replace the firewall and secure VPN remote access hardware in Juneau and Anchorage, which have reached their end-of-life use and will no longer be supported after March 2023.

These hardware systems protect and provide the Legislature's secure connections to the Internet (akelg.gov, BASIS, public and internal websites), partner agencies (the State's accounting and payroll systems) and remote access to legislative resources. Essentially, the Legislature could not conduct business without this equipment.

Using an existing competitively sourced cooperative purchasing contract (Legislative Procurement Procedures Sec 037), three vendors provided quotes for the required hardware:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Quote</u>
Structured	\$171,084
Network Consulting Services, Inc.	\$197,787
World Wide Technology	\$205,641

I recommend Legislative Council authorize using existing capital funds for these necessary cybersecurity hardware tools in an amount not to exceed the lowest price of \$171,084 provided by Structured.

MOTION: I move that Legislative Council authorize the purchase of replacement firewall and VPN cybersecurity equipment for a price not to exceed \$171,084 using existing capital funds.