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Governor Richardson names Roy Soto as Interim State Chief Information Officer

SANTA FE- Governor Bill Richardson today named Roy Soto to serve as Interim State Chief Information Officer. Soto, the Deputy Secretary and Chief Information Officer for the Department of Labor, will lead the state's Information Technology efforts until a permanent CIO is named.

"I tasked Roy with the job of leading the state's IT efforts until a permanent replacement is identified," said Governor Richardson. "My goal is that IT be consolidated and streamlined. In addition Soto will analyze the current structure of state information technology to ensure we are cost effective and up to date."

Governor Richardson thanked Moira Gerety, the outgoing state CIO, for her contributions to his administration. Moira Gerety will be returning to Albuquerque to work closer to her family.

Soto will help coordinate a nationwide search for a permanent state CIO for Governor Richardson.

Roy Soto has over 30 years of experience in both the public and private sectors. He has served as Deputy Secretary for Corrections, Deputy Commissioner of Public Lands and Administrative Services Director for the Health and Environment Department.

He is currently Chairman of the State's CIO Council and is a member of the Governor's IT Consolidation Executive Board.

Soto said, " I am honored to be part of Governor Richardson's administration. Governor Richardson has worked to make New Mexico a national leader in the successful use of IT and I look forward to continuing that tradition".

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