

**SAM – INFORMATION SECURITY**  
**(Office of Information Security)**

**SECURITY AUTHORIZATION**  
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**5315.9**

**Introduction:** The authorizing official(s) provide budgetary oversight for state entity information assets and assume responsibility for the mission/business operations supported by those systems.

**Policy:** Consistent with the State Information Management Principles, Record of Decisions ([SAM section 4800](#)), each state entity shall establish a documented security authorization method which tracks official management decisions authorizing the operation of information assets and explicit acceptance of risks based on implementation of agreed-upon information security measures. The state entity head shall assign senior-level executive(s) or manager(s) as the authorizing official(s).