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### **Secretary Michael Leahy Wins 2020 StateScoop State Leadership Award**

**ANNAPOLIS, MD**—Secretary of the Maryland Department of Information Technology (DoIT), Michael G. Leahy was today awarded the 2020 StateScoop Award for State Leadership. The award celebrates public sector principals who have helped the government implement new technologies, strategies, and IT programs.

“Secretary Leahy is one of the leading voices for innovation and data privacy throughout the country,” said Governor Hogan. “More importantly, he has been an integral part of our administration and the success DoIT has had in providing vital technology solutions to Maryland state government.”

The annual StateScoop 50 awards honor the best and the brightest who make state government more efficient and effective. These awards celebrate outstanding achievements and acknowledge tireless efforts to make a positive impact in the government IT community and in public service.

Secretary Leahy currently serves as treasurer/secretary for the National Association of State Chief Information Officers (NASCIO). He was the founder and managing director of Ex Os, LLC, an entity pursuing technological solutions for issues surrounding the control of personal information and educating individuals about the value of their PII. He is also a member of the International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP) and served on its publications advisory board. Leahy’s past experience includes serving as an executive at the University of Maryland Medical Biotechnology Institute, an attorney at the Federal Trade Commission, and as an expert in asset backed securities and capital markets finance.

Secretary Leahy has led DoIT since 2017.

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