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- Illinois Blockchain Initiative Hackathon
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Illinois Blockchain Initiative Hackathon
This week the Illinois Blockchain Initiative (IBI) concluded a 30-day virtual hackathon called IBI Hack. Students and recent graduates with interest in distributed ledger technology were invited to test their ideas and concepts in an interactive, collaborative environment. There were more than 100 participants involved and the submissions will be soon be shared to the public. More information on the IBI Hack can be found here and an article in StateScoop this week featured the hack.

DoIT Town Hall...It’s a Wrap
DoIT’s Town Hall meeting was held August 1st and served as an excellent forum to share and gather information. Members of the leadership team provided details on transformation, cybersecurity and discussed upcoming initiatives. The video and presentation can be viewed here.

No Phishing Zone
The Information Security Team is seeing a rise in phishing attacks, that use an address spoofing tactic. The email disguises itself as coming from a familiar sender and typically includes an attachment that could cause infection. State of Illinois (SOI) employees should always be vigilant to carefully review incoming emails, and especially before clicking on any attachments or links. More explanation and warning signs can be found here.

DoIT FYIs & Reminders
Fore! Score...and Stay on Par with Cybersecurity
Visit with DoIT staff at the 2017 Illinois State Fair, August 10-20. The theme for this year’s booth highlights cybersecurity tips and best practices for Illinois residents. The display includes a “Golfing with Abe” theme and features an interactive cybersecurity game. Don’t forget to tweet your photos and messages to #4DoIT.