

2026 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 303

BY SENATOR CLOUD

PROCUREMENT CODE. Creates the "Interstate Technology Collaboration Act" to provide for use of cooperative purchasing for information technology system procurement. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 39:1702(A)(1), relative to the Louisiana Procurement Code; to
3 provide for cooperative purchasing for information technology systems; to provide
4 for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 39:1702(A)(1) is hereby amended and enacted to read as follows:

7 §1702. Cooperative purchasing authorized; participation in federal General Services
8 Administration vendor list

9 A.(1) Any public procurement unit may either participate in, sponsor,
10 conduct, or administer a cooperative purchasing agreement for the acquisition of any
11 supplies, services, personal, professional, consulting, and social services,
12 **information technology services and information technology systems as**
13 **provided in Part V-A of Chapter 1 of Subtitle I of this Title**, major repairs, or
14 construction with one or more public procurement units or external procurement
15 activities or one or more private procurement units in accordance with an agreement
16 entered into between the participants. ~~Such cooperative purchasing may include but~~
17 ~~is not limited to joint or multi-party contracts between public procurement units and~~

Proposed law retains present law and adds information technology services and information technology systems to the list.

Present law provides that cooperative purchasing may include but is not limited to joint or multi-party contracts between public procurement units and open-ended state public procurement unit contracts made available to other public procurement units.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that cooperative purchasing may include but is not limited to contracts between a public procurement unit and an external procurement activity allowing the public unit to access and use an existing information technology system owned by the external procurement activity in exchange for payment of a share of system costs.

Proposed law exempts a public procurement unit from conducting a separate competitive procurement process for information technology services, provided the external procurement activity originally acquired the system through a competitive procurement process.

Proposed law shall be known and may be cited as the "Interstate Technology Collaboration Act".

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 39:1702(A)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the original bill

1. Name the bill the "Interstate Technology Collaboration Act".
2. Make technical changes.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Adds information technology systems to the list of supplies and services eligible to be procured through cooperative purchasing.