

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law allows public procurement units to participate, sponsor, conduct, or administer cooperative purchasing agreements with other entities to purchase any supplies, personal services, professional services, consulting services, social services, major repairs, or construction services with one or more public procurement units, external procurement activities, or private procurement units in accordance with an agreement between the parties.

New law retains existing law and further authorizes state agencies within the executive branch which are subject to the authority of the Office of Technology Services to procure information technology systems and services from other states and from the General Services Administration supply schedules when utilizing cooperative purchasing.

Existing 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.

New law retains existing 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.

New law shall not be construed to expand or limit the authority of the Office of Technology Services.

New 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.

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

Effective May 29, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 39:1702(A)(1); Adds R.S. 39:1702(D))