

SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 391

2018 Regular Session

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KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

STATE AGENCIES. Requires certain state agencies to install internet filters to block content which is sexually explicit, pornographic, or sexually harassing. (8/1/18)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Technical legislative bureau amendments.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

SB 391 Re-Reengrossed

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Proposed law requires the division of administration to adopt policies regarding the acceptable use by state employees who use state-owned or state-leased computers to access the internet and online sites that contain harmful material which is reasonably believed to be sexuality explicit, pornographic, or sexually harassing and, therefore, reasonably believed to create a hostile work environment as prohibited by federal law.

Proposed law provides that it shall apply to state-owned or state-leased computers which are in the care, custody, or control of the division of administration or in the care, custody, or control of any other state agency which is subject to present laws regarding the office of technology services in the division of administration.

Proposed law provides that the policies adopted by the office of technology services include the use of computer-related technology or the use of internet service provider technology designed to block access or exposure to any harmful material as specified in proposed law.

Proposed law specifies that proposed law does not prohibit any authorized employee from having unfiltered or unrestricted access to the internet or an online service for law enforcement, legitimate scientific, or educational purposes as determined and approved by the employing agency.

Proposed law clarifies that the provisions of proposed law do not prohibit any state employee from having unfiltered or unrestricted access to the internet or any online service on a computer or device that is not owned by the state, so long as the unrestricted device is not used to access or for exposure to any harmful material during the hours in which he is working for the state.

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(Amends R.S. 39:15.3(B)(1)(intro para) and (e); adds R.S. 39:249)

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