

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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New law requires the division of administration to prepare a list of all final judgments against the state that remain unpaid, update the list quarterly, provide the list to the attorney general, and include the information in the state's comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR).

Existing law requires the heads of state agencies to maintain accurate data on legal costs of litigation when the state agency employs private legal counsel and to report these costs to the attorney general.

New law further requires that each agency provide to the attorney general, commissioner of administration, House Committee on Appropriations, and Senate Committee on Finance information concerning all outstanding final tort judgments involving the agency.

New law requires the attorney general, in consultation with the commissioner of administration, to develop a report concerning final outstanding tort judgments against the state to be provided to the legislature at the beginning of each regular session. Further, requires the attorney general to provide quarterly updates to the division of administration, House Committee on Appropriations, Senate Committee on Finance, and legislative fiscal office.

New law requires the attorney of record or the prevailing party to submit a certified copy of the final judgment to the Senate Committee on Finance and the House Committee on Appropriations for consideration of an appropriation to pay the judgment.

Effective August 1, 2018.

(Amends R.S. 49:257(B); Adds R.S. 39:1538(5))