

**HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**

House Bill No. 654 by Representative McKnight

STATE AGENCIES: Provides for the collection of fees associated with facilitating an electronic signature or authorization

**Synopsis of Senate Amendments**

1. Requires technology approved by the treasurer pursuant to proposed law to ensure the privacy and security of personal and sensitive confidential information and to meet certain specified criteria.
2. Makes technical changes.
3. Provides that proposed law is effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

**Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate**

Proposed law allows a state entity to charge an optional convenience fee for use of an electronic signature in connection with official documents. Provides for the payment of the convenience fee by credit card, debit card, or other electronic payment approved pursuant to present law (R.S. 49:316.1). Provides for the convenience fee to be approved by the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs and the House Committee on Ways and Means.

Proposed law requires technology approved by the treasurer pursuant to proposed law to ensure the privacy and security of personal and sensitive confidential information for users of an electronic signature. Further requires the technology to comply with federal law, host all information in a cloud environment, have an integrated payment gateway, and meet other requirements as deemed necessary by the treasurer.

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(Adds R.S. 49:316.2)