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DIGEST

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Proposed law authorizes the office of technology services to create the Louisiana Statewide Data Exchange Compact (LSDEC), to establish a single legal and technical framework for secure, privacy-compliant data sharing between the office of technology services and participating agencies.

Proposed law provides that the LSDEC shall facilitate the disclosure of confidential information and set forth each participating agency's rights and obligations regarding such information, including the limited purposes for which each agency may use or have access to confidential information.

Proposed law defines "agency", "data exchange", and "Louisiana Statewide Data Exchange Compact".

Proposed law requires the office of technology services to serve as the administrator for LSDEC and develop a template for the LSDEC.

Proposed law requires the office of technology services to establish a committee of participating agencies to advise the office on the LSDEC and provide input on the establishment of the template.

Proposed law further requires the LSDEC to review the compact at least twice per year to ensure alignment with changes in state and federal law and developments in data security practices and report any recommended changes to the template or any rules to the office of technology services.

Proposed law provides that participation in the LSDEC is voluntary and authorizes each participating agency, at any time, to make the determination that continued use of the LSDEC is no longer appropriate for the specific data and to amend its agreement, terminate its participation, or pursue an alternative method to protect data shared by the agency.

Proposed law requires participating agencies to sign the LSDEC, which shall serve as the primary governance document for safeguarding data shared among agencies.

Proposed law requires the compact to specify that a receiving agency shall establish, implement, and maintain appropriate administrative, physical, and technical safeguards to ensure the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of confidential information received from another agency.

Proposed law prohibits the office of technology services from acquiring any ownership rights or interest in data shared pursuant to the LSDEC. Further requires each participating agency to retain the ownership rights of any data shared by the agency pursuant to the LSDEC.

Proposed law requires the office of technology services to promulgate rules to implement the provisions of proposed law. Proposed law further requires any proposed rules to be submitted to the committee for approval by a majority vote of the participating agencies prior to adoption and implementation.

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

(Adds R.S. 39:18.1-18.3)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

1. Clarify the definition of "Louisiana Statewide Data Exchange Compact".
2. Require the office of technology services to develop a template for the LSDEC.
3. Require the committee to advise the office of technology services on the LSDEC and report any recommended changes to the template or any rules to the office of technology services.
4. Authorize each participating agency to amend its agreement, terminate its participation in the LSDEC, or pursue an alternate approach.
5. Prohibit the office of technology services from acquiring any ownership rights or interest in data shared pursuant to the LSDEC.
6. Require each participating agency to retain the ownership rights of any data in its custody and control regardless of the data source.
7. Require rules to be promulgated by the office of technology services and submitted to the committee for approval prior to adoption and implementation.
8. Make technical changes.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Adjust the scope of required ownership rights retention for each participating agency from data in its custody and control to data shared by the agency pursuant to the LSDEC.