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## DIGEST

Proposed law establishes the Louisiana Enhanced Governmental Access Portal, a public instrumentality carrying out an essential governmental function, within the division of administration.

Proposed law provides for certain duties the commissioner of administration shall exercise relative to the government portal, including, among others:

Sponsoring an online electronic portal to provide electronic access to public information and to permit electronic transactions with government for members of the public and business.

Promoting the use of electronic commerce for information access and electronic transactions within the state.

Approving value-added charges paid by online users for services provided by the portal.

Fostering the principle of a user-supported portal for interactions with government throughout the state.

Proposed law provides that the portal is intended to be supported primarily through value-added charges paid by users for transactions conducted through the portal and not primarily through appropriated dollars and the portal is authorized to charge users as the commissioner of administration shall approve.

Proposed law provides that the commissioner of administration shall use a competitive bid process to contract with a private entity to serve as outsourced portal manager after developing criteria and specifications for the portal manager's qualifications and duties.

Proposed law provides that the portal manager shall perform various functions, including:

Preparing an initial multi-year strategic portal business plan and update the plan yearly in consultation with and under the oversight of the commissioner of administration.

Submitting to the commissioner of administration quarterly unaudited portal financial reports, an annual financial audit by an independent audit firm, an annual portal operations report, and any other portal information reasonably requested by the commissioner of administration.

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

(Adds R.S. 39:17-20)