
DIGEST

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HB No. 352

Abstract: Requires the state to provide free assistance to local law enforcement agencies acquiring surplus property through the Dept. of Defense Excess Property Program (1033 Program). Requires the La. Federal Property Assistance Agency to cease imposing or collecting service charges for property requisitioned through the program.

Present federal law authorizes the U.S. Secretary of Defense to provide surplus equipment and supplies to state and local law enforcement agencies. The 1033 Program requires local law enforcement agencies to apply for such equipment through a state point of contact. In Louisiana, the state point of contact is the division of administration, La. Federal Property Assistance Agency.

Proposed law requires the state, through a designated state coordinator of the federal Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) 1033 Program, to provide free assistance to local law enforcement agencies for the transfer of surplus equipment and supplies from the U.S. Dept. of Defense through the Dept. of Defense Excess Property Program (1033 Program).

Proposed law prohibits the state from charging local law enforcement agencies for the state's cost to support the program or the state's cost to maintain federal compliance. Further requires that the La. Federal Property Assistance Agency to cease imposing or collecting service charges for property requisitioned through the program.

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

(Adds R.S. 39:330.4)