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## DIGEST

Donahue (SB)
Present law provides for the purchase, lease, and rental of all data processing equipment, related services, and software. Also provides that the state central purchasing agency shall, subject to certain provisions, have sole authority and responsibility for defining the specific data processing equipment, related services, and software to which such provisions apply.

Proposed law provides that notwithstanding any other provision of law of proposed law or any other law to the contrary, any public postsecondary education institution seeking to utilize its own group purchasing and cooperative purchasing procurement provisions shall submit a request for and obtain the approval of its management board and the Board of Regents. The requesting public postsecondary education institution shall adopt rules and regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

Present law provides for the application of the Louisiana Procurement Code that provides for the acquisition of supplies, services, leases or major repairs. Present law also provides for group purchasing and cooperative purchasing by certain entities and with certain limitations.

Proposed law retains present law but further provides that the Louisiana Procurement Code provisions relative to group purchasing and cooperative purchasing shall not apply to any public postsecondary education institution if:
(1) The public postsecondary education institution has requested its own group purchasing and cooperative purchasing procurement provisions and has been approved by its management board and the Board of Regents.
(2) The requesting public postsecondary education institution has adopted its own group purchasing and cooperative purchasing procurement provisions pursuant to rules and regulations adopted in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

Effective July 1, 2014.
(Adds R.S. 39:196(C) and 1554(J))

