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DIGEST

Donahue (SB 404)

Proposed law provides that the division of administration shall develop a long term plan for the creation of regional governmental service centers as a "one-stop shop" for state services. The plan shall:

- (1) Establish regional boundaries.
- (2) Identify state services which shall be delivered through the centers.
- (3) Require that each agency that administers such services organize itself structurally for the delivery of services along such uniform regional boundaries and incorporate the structure and delivery into its strategic plans.
- (4) Establish the appropriate number of governmental service centers to be located in each region, depending on regional population, infrastructure, and use demands.
- (5) Determine the most cost effective and operationally effective means to develop the regional governmental service centers.
- (6) Provide a long term plan and strategy to implement consolidated services to be delivered in the regional governmental service center.
- (7) Provide a process for addressing surplus property and the reduction in personnel as services are consolidated into the centers.

Proposed law provides the division of administration shall conduct a public hearing to receive input from local residents in each proposed region.

Proposed law provides that on or before March 15, 2011, the division shall submit a report detailing the status of the long term plan or its development to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget for approval.

Proposed law provides that a copy of the report shall also be submitted to the Commission on Streamlining Government.

Proposed law provides that annually, beginning on March 1, 2012, the division shall issue a report to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget detailing the status of the development and implementation of the long term plan until such time as the centers are fully operational.

Provides that the update shall indicate progress in the establishment of the centers and the services provided as well as obstacles to further development and implementation of a consolidated state service delivery system. Provides that the updates shall also include overall quality of service measurements as provided by the agencies through the Louisiana Governmental Performance and Accountability System and any efficiencies and cost savings which may be realized.

Proposed law provides that after approval of the long term plan by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget, the commissioner of administration shall not approve a new lease or the renewal of any lease or approve a purchase for agency housing space that is in conflict with the comprehensive plan without approval of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget. Provides that for state-owned property used for the delivery of state services that is not designated as a center, the commissioner may require that such property be sold once services are transferred to the center.

Proposed law authorizes the commissioner to adopt all necessary standards and guidelines to implement the provisions of proposed law.

Effective August 15, 2010.

(Adds R.S. 39:248)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

1. Changes the document that the Division of Administration will be producing from a "comprehensive" plan to a "long term" plan.
2. Deletes the language describing legislative intent.
3. Provides criteria regarding cost evaluations/analysis and authorizes property management contracts for facility locations of each center.
4. Requires the Division of Administration to have public hearings in each of the proposed regions.
5. Moves the deadline dates for submitting the plan from February to March and provides that if the plan is not finalized by the deadline, the Division of Administration shall report on the progress of the plan development.