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Abstract: Repeals provisions relative to the tracking and reporting of unpaid judgments against the state.

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 39:1538) requires the division of administration and the attorney general to maintain a list of all unpaid final judgments against the state that are a result of a claim pursuant to <u>present constitution</u> (Art. XII, Section 10). Requires the information on the list to be included in the state's comprehensive annual financial report in a manner determined by the commissioner of administration. <u>Proposed law</u> repeals <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 49:257) requires agencies, boards, and commissions who retain private legal counsel to represent them to maintain accurate data on legal contracts, costs, and final judgments and to submit the data to the Dept. of Justice on a regular basis. Requires the attorney general to keep an accurate account of the data and to regularly report the data to the legislature. Further requires the attorney of record or the prevailing party in a case where private legal counsel has been retained to submit a certified copy of the final judgment to the Senate Committee on Finance and the House Committee on Appropriations. Proposed law repeals present law.

Effective July 1, 2022.

(Repeals R.S. 39:1538(E) and R.S. 49:257(B)(2))