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Present law allows public procurement units to participate, sponsor, conduct, or administer cooperative purchasing agreements with other entities to purchase any supplies, personal services, professional services, consulting services, social services, major repairs, or construction services with one or more public procurement units, external procurement activities, or private procurement units in accordance with an agreement between the parties.

Proposed law retains present law and adds information technology services to the list.

Present law provides that cooperative purchasing may include but is not limited to joint or multi-party contracts between public procurement units and open-ended state public procurement unit contracts made available to other public procurement units.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that cooperative purchasing may include but is not limited to contracts between a public procurement unit and an external procurement activity allowing the public unit to access and use an existing information technology system owned by the external procurement activity in exchange for payment of a share of system costs.

Proposed law exempts a public procurement unit from conducting a separate competitive procurement process for information technology services, provided the external procurement activity originally acquired the system through a competitive procurement process.

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

(Amends R.S. 39:1702(A)(1))