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Abstract: Provides for the reorganization of the office of information technology and for procurement of information technology systems and services.

Present law establishes the office of information technology within the division of administration and provides for the roles, duties, and activities of the office.

Proposed law changes the name of the office from the office of information technology to the office of technology services. Further, proposed law adds to the duties of the office, including the establishment and coordination of all information technology systems and services affecting the management and operations of the executive branch of government.

Present law provides for data processing procurement with respect to the purchase, lease, and rental of all data processing equipment, related services and software. Present law further provides that the central purchasing agency of the state has sole authority and responsibility for defining specific data processing equipment, related services, and software.

Proposed law changes the office with the authority for procurement provided for in present law from the central purchasing agency to the office of technology services.

Present law provides for certain types of contracts that the state is permitted to enter into with regards to data processing procurement.

Proposed law retains present law and provides additional provisions for information technology systems and services contracts and leases.

Present law provides for methods of data processing procurement.

Proposed law provides for various changes to the methods of procurement for information technology systems and services.

(Amends R.S. 36:4(B)(1)(e), R.S. 39:15.1-15.6 and 196-200)