The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by James Benton.

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<u>Present law</u> provides that the head of each agency of the state or its subdivisions will establish such safeguards against removal or loss of records as may be required by <u>present law</u>. These safeguards will include making it known to all officials and employees of the agency that no records are to be alienated or destroyed except in accordance with <u>present law</u> and the policies, rules, and regulations of the State Archivist and the division.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but requires that the Secretary of State, acting through the State Archivist, may refer any matter to the Legislative Auditor, Inspector General, or Attorney General as necessary for investigation relating to any instances of damaging, altering, tampering, or falsifying records, including fraudulent creation, distribution, or filing of such records.

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

(Amends R.S. 44:422)