
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for the online publication and maintenance of certain data used and compiled by the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections (DPS&C).

Proposed law provides for legislative findings.

Proposed law provides for duties of the DPS&C relative to the publishing of certain data and reports.

Proposed law provides for the contents and format of the information and data to be published on a monthly basis.

Proposed law provides that nothing in proposed law requires the disclosure of personally identifiable information that is protected under state or federal law.

Proposed law permits the DPS&C to redact identifying information as necessary to comply with applicable confidentiality provisions, provided that aggregate and anonymized data are published to the maximum extent permitted by law.

Proposed law requires the DPS&C to submit a written report that certifies compliance with proposed law to certain legislative committees no later than March 31, 2027.

Proposed law requires the DPS&C to implement the provisions of proposed law no later than Oct. 1, 2026.

(Adds R.S. 15:827.2.1)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill:

1. Modify format requirements to provide for publishing of reports and data in Microsoft Excel format.
2. Change the frequency update of admission, release, and death information from a monthly basis to an annual basis.

3. Remove proposed law relative to the offender census at parish prisons or jails as information required to be published on the DPS&C's website.
4. Make technical changes.