



Substitute Senate Bill No. 1103

Public Act No. 19-153

AN ACT CONCERNING INTERAGENCY DATA SHARING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Chief Data Officer, in consultation with the Attorney General and executive branch agency legal counsel, shall review the legal obstacles to the sharing of high value data of executive branch agencies, inventoried pursuant to section 4-67p of the general statutes, among agencies and with the public.

(b) Not later than January 15, 2020, and annually thereafter, the Chief Data Officer shall submit a report, developed in consultation with the Attorney General, agency data officers and executive branch agency legal counsel, that includes any recommendations on (1) methods to facilitate the sharing of such high value data to the extent permitted under state and federal law, including, but not limited to, the preparation and execution of memoranda of understanding among executive branch agencies, and (2) any necessary legislation, to the Connecticut Data Analysis Technology Advisory Board and the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to government administration, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. Concomitantly, the Chief Data Officer shall post each such report on the Office of Policy

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and Management's Internet web site.

(c) The report submitted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section shall be consistent with the state data plan, created under section 4-67p of the general statutes. The Chief Data Officer shall update such report annually with additional information concerning the sharing of high value data and any additional recommendations, including any potential fiscal impact of any recommendations.

Sec. 2. Section 4-67o of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

As used in this section, [and] sections 2-79e, as amended by this act, and 4-67p and section 1 of this act:

(1) "Data" means the final version of statistical or factual information that: (A) Is reflected in a list, table, graph, chart or other non-narrative form that can be digitally or nondigitally transmitted or processed; (B) is regularly created or maintained by, or on behalf of, an executive branch agency; and (C) records a measurement, transaction or determination related to the mission of the agency or is provided to the agency by third parties pursuant to law.

(2) "Executive branch agency" means any agency listed in section 4-38c, except the Board of Regents for Higher Education.

(3) "High value data" means any data that the department head determines (A) is critical to the operation of an executive branch agency; (B) can increase executive branch agency accountability and responsiveness; (C) can improve public knowledge of the executive branch agency and its operations; (D) can further the core mission of the executive branch agency; (E) can create economic opportunity; (F) is frequently requested by the public; (G) responds to a need and demand as identified by the agency through public consultation; or (H) is used to satisfy any legislative or other reporting requirements.

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(4) "Open data" means any data that (A) is freely available in convenient and modifiable format and can be retrieved, downloaded, indexed and searched; (B) is formatted in a manner that allows for automated machine processing; (C) does not have restrictions governing use; (D) is published with the finest possible level of detail that is practicable and permitted by law; and (E) is described in enough detail so users of the data have sufficient information to understand (i) the strengths, weaknesses, analytical limitations and security requirements of the data, and (ii) how to process such data.

(5) "Public data" means any data collected by an executive branch agency that is permitted to be made available to the public, consistent with any and all applicable laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, resolutions, policies or other restrictions, requirements or rights associated with the data, including, but not limited to, contractual or other legal restrictions, orders or requirements.

(6) "Protected data" means any data the public disclosure of which would (A) violate federal or state laws or regulations; (B) endanger the public health, safety or welfare; (C) hinder the operation of the federal, state or municipal government, including criminal and civil investigations; or (D) impose an undue financial, operational or administrative burden on the executive branch agency. "Protected data" includes any records not required to be disclosed pursuant to subsection (b) of section 1-210.

Sec. 3. Subsection (d) of section 2-79e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

(d) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to government administration shall serve as administrative staff of the board. [, with assistance as needed provided by] Upon the request of

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any voting member of the board and with the concurrence of the chairperson of the board, or a vote of the board, the employees of the Offices of Legislative Research and Fiscal Analysis shall provide assistance to the board.

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