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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 30

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS AND OUTSIDE VENDORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS AND OUTSIDE VENDORS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 25-4-115 is amended to read as follows:

25-4-115. Professional services contracts between division and outside vendors.

(a)(1) In the event that, due to unforeseen circumstances, the Division of Information Systems cannot provide sufficient information technology support to state agencies, the Director of the Division of Information Systems is authorized to enter into professional services contracts for the necessary information technology support.

(2) The division may also consolidate information technology needs to satisfy state agency requests.

(b)(1) The division may utilize moneys appropriated for maintenance, operation, and payment of regular salaries of the division for the purchase of professional services upon approval ~~thereof~~ by the ~~Chief Fiscal Officer of the State~~ Secretary of the Department of Transformation and Shared Services.

(2)(A) Provided, however, that before approving the use of moneys appropriated for payment of regular salaries of the division for



obtaining professional services, the ~~Chief Fiscal Officer of the State~~ secretary shall determine that resignations, vacancies in positions, or the inability to employ persons with technical skills to provide the professional services has necessitated that action.

(B) In addition, the ~~Chief Fiscal Officer of the State~~ secretary shall obtain the ~~advice~~ approval of the Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee if the General Assembly is in session, before approving any transfer of regular salary appropriations to the maintenance and operation appropriation of ~~the~~ a state agency to be used for payment of professional services.

*/s/J. English*

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