

Information Technology

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H103 - 2022 Appropriations Act.

Sec. 9B.3: Further Study of the Statewide Health Information Exchange Network and the Statewide Health Information Exchange Act; and Temporary Suspension of the Health Information Exchange Act Provision Conditioning the Receipt of State Funds on Connecting to and Submitting Data to the Health Information Exchange Network. (SL 2022-74)

Section 9B.3 of S.L. 2022-74 requires the Health Information Exchange Advisory Board to submit a report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services on the status of the Health Information Exchange. The report must be submitted by March 31, 2023, and contain (i) an update regarding the connectivity status of providers and entities required by the Health Information Exchange Act (HIEA) to connect to and submit data through the Health Information Exchange, and (ii) recommendations for features or actions, including legislative or administrative proposals, to support enforcement of the HIEA. This section clarifies that, notwithstanding the provisions of the HIEA, connection to the Health Information Exchange cannot be a requirement for receipt of State funds until the appointment of an agency responsible for enforcing the provisions of the HIEA.

This section became effective July 11, 2022.

H661 - Age Requirement Modifications/Capital Projects Oversight/BEAD Corrections. (SL 2022-69)

S.L. 2022-69 does the following:

- Clarifies that qualified youth 15 years of age and older can enroll in fire training courses at community colleges on or after January 1, 2021.
- Reduces the age requirement for malt beverage wholesaler salesmen from 21 to 18 years.
- Allows persons 15 years of age to work inside premises that serve alcohol until December 31, 2023.
- Eliminates a requirement that the State Building Commission and Director of the Budget approve guidelines adopted by the State Board of Community Colleges that must be met by community colleges in order to be delegated authority over capital improvement projects.
- Provides that the Department of Administration is not required to review and approve plans and specifications for a State-funded capital improvement project costing less than \$2 million that has been delegated to a community college unless requested to do so in writing by the State Board of Community Colleges.
- Eliminates an annual reporting obligation of the Community Colleges System Office for capital improvement projects estimated to require expenditure of less than \$2 million of public funds.
- Makes a technical correction to the 2022 Appropriations Act relating to the use of federal infrastructure funds by the Department of Information Technology for grants in the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program.

Except as otherwise provided, this act became effective July 8, 2022.