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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1   AN ACT

2   relating to the purchases and use of cross-platform software by

3   state agencies.

4   BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5   SECTION 1. Subchapter F, Chapter 2054, Government Code, is

6   amended by adding Section 2054.129 to read as follows:

7   Sec. 2054.129. USE OF CROSS-PLATFORM SOFTWARE. A state

8   agency shall use cross-platform software.

9   SECTION 2. Subchapter B, Chapter 2157, Government Code, is

10   amended by adding Section 2157.069 to read as follows:

11   Sec. 2157.069. PURCHASE OF CROSS-PLATFORM SOFTWARE. For

12   all software purchases, a state agency shall purchase

13   cross-platform software products.

14   SECTION 3. (a) Section 2054.129, Government Code, as added

15   by this Act, applies only to the use of software acquired by a state

16   agency on or after the effective date of this Act. The use of

17   software acquired before the effective date of this Act is governed

18   by the law as it existed immediately before the effective date of

19   this Act, and the former law is continued in effect for that

20   purpose.

21   (b) Section 2157.069, Government Code, as added by this Act,

22   applies only to a contract for the purchase of software by a state

23   agency that is entered into on or after the effective date of this

24   Act. A contract for the purchase of software that is entered into

1 by a state agency before the effective date of this Act is governed

2 by the law in effect on the date the contract was entered into, and

3 the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

4   SECTION 4.   This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.