By: Capriglione, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Parker) H.B. No. 2818 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 28, 2025; April 29, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Business & Commerce; May 23, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 11, 1-1 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5 1-6 Nays 0; May 23, 2025, sent to printer.)

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1-16	Menéndez	X			
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to the artificial intelligence division within the Department of Information Resources.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 2054, Government Code, is amended by adding Subchapter S to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER S. ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

Sec. 2054.701. ESTABLISHMENT AND ADMINISTRATION DIVISION. (a) The department shall establish an artificial intelligence division within the department.

(b) The executive director shall direct the administration oversight of the artificial intelligence division, including the division's organization within the department.

(c) The department may hire the personnel necessary to administer the duties of the division, including hiring personnel through institutions of higher education, as defined by Section 61.003, Education Code.

Sec. 2054.702. GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TECHNOLOGY. (a) The division shall assist state agencies and other entities that use the department's services in the implementation of generative artificial intelligence technology for:

(1) projects to modernize or replace legacy systems, as defined by Section 2054.571; and

(2) other projects appropriate for the use of generative artificial intelligence technology as determined by the department.

In assisting agencies and entities with projects under (b) Subsection (a), the division may:

(1) use generative artificial intelligence technology developed or procured by the department to complete the project; or
(2) contract with a vendor to use generative

artificial intelligence technology to complete the project.

1-53 1-54 (c) If the division contracts with a vendor under Subsection (b), the vendor's generative artificial intelligence technology must complete a majority of the work required to complete the 1-55 1-56 1-57 project.

Sec 2054.703. COST ANALYSIS REPORT. The division shall 1-59 prepare a cost analysis report for each project completed under Section 2054.702 that includes: 1-60

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(1) a summary of the time, money, and resources saved by using a generative artificial intelligence technology compared to the time, money, and resources that would have been required using traditional systems to perform equivalent tasks; and

(2) a concise overview focused on information demonstrating the cost and time efficiencies achieved by using generative artificial intelligence technology for the project.

Sec. 2054.704. EFFICIENT USE OF RESOURCES. The department shall coordinate division activities under this subchapter and the activities under any other law relating to artificial intelligence systems to ensure efficient system implementation and to streamline the use of department resources, including information sharing and personnel.

Sec. 2054.705. RULES. The department may adopt the rules necessary to establish and administer the division.

SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date

SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the Department of Information Resources shall adopt the rules necessary to implement Subchapter S, Chapter 2054, Government Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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