

ACT No. 404

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 607

BY REPRESENTATIVE DESHOTEL

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 24:677 and to repeal R.S. 24:677, relative to the Joint Legislative Committee
3 on Technology and Cybersecurity; to require the committee to examine potential
4 regulation for the practice of network installation and cybersecurity; to provide for
5 the scope of the consideration; to provide for a report; to remove such provisions; to
6 provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 24:677 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §677. Examination of potential occupational regulations; scope; report

10 A. Pursuant to the duties and functions provided in R.S. 24:672, the
11 committee shall examine and consider potential regulatory structures for network
12 installers and cybersecurity providers operating in this state.

13 B. The committee shall consider any regulatory structure it deems
14 appropriate, including but not limited to creating a state board, creating a state
15 certification program, requiring third-party examinations, requiring federally
16 recognized certifications, and creating an apprenticeship program.

17 C. The committee shall also consider mechanisms for administration
18 including but not limited to a controlling agency or board, applications,
19 documentation, registrations, renewals, reciprocity, compliance, and enforcement.

20 D. The committee shall submit its findings and recommendations relative to
21 its examination and consideration of regulatory structures for network installers and

1 cybersecurity providers pursuant to this Section to the legislature prior to the
2 convening of the 2022 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana.

3 Section 2. R.S. 24:677 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

4 Section 3.(A) The provisions this Section and of Section 1 of this Act shall become
5 effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration
6 of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article
7 III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently
8 approved by the legislature, the provisions of this Section and Section 1 of this Act shall
9 become effective on the day following such approval.

10 (B) The provisions of Section 2 shall become effective on January 1, 2023.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____