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Digitization only successful with data protection -

Saxony-Anhalt still has to catch up!

Today I gave my XIII. / XIV. Activity

submit report. the thirteenth Activity report covers the period from April 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015.

March 2017. The XIV activity report covers the period from April 1, 2017 to May 5

2018. The text for this entire period is available as State Parliament printed paper 7/3361.

The general report is the last according to the old legal situation. After the decision of the state legislator, the state commissioner takes on the new tasks in accordance with the European General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) has been in effect since May 6, 2018. The follow-up reports

will be created annually on the new legal basis of the GDPR.

The above The entire period was affected in a special way and to a large extent by the

based on the new European law that has been in force since May 2018 (see nos. 1.1, 3.1

and 13.2). The state commissioner acted in many ways as a consultant for the state government, for

Authorities, companies and associations, for the people in the country. The challenges

of the new law concerned both legal policy issues and legal practice

cal application aspects. Especially with topics from the field of economy

the report also provides information on the new legal situation according to DS-GVO.

The authority of the state commissioner is still heavily affected by the increase in tasks

says. The required staffing lagged behind. "I would like to thank all

office staff for their great work in preparation

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to the GDPR," emphasizes the state representative with regard to the previously acquired

competencies and the information and assistance provided.

According to the European guidelines, the state representative has both awareness and advisory tasks as well as authority to issue orders and impose sanctions. The new law is a task and an opportunity at the same time. The state commissioner often acted as an adviser for the purpose of enabling data processing. That data protection also wall can contain is inevitable. However, e.g. B. an inventory analysis of the data data processing in the company and compliance with the principle of data minimization tion can lead to relief and competitive advantages in many areas. A smart one Data protection also creates trust towards customers and consumers.

The focal points of the advisory activities of the authority of the state commissioner concerned - ben the effects of European law –

- Amendments to the State Police Act (No. 6.2) and the establishment of the common
 Competence and service center for police telecommunications
 vigilance (No. 6.6),
- the school law and the education management system (nos. 9.2.2 and 9.2.3),
- the draft law on the state clinical cancer register and its operation (No. 10.1.6),
- Checks in the area of online shops at pharmacies (No. 10.1.7), the self-assessment arrivals from prospective tenants (No. 13.10) and video surveillance in bakeries (No. 14.1.8),
- the examination of the specialist procedure for the central registration file at the IT service provider Dataport (No. 4.6).

In addition to the tasks as a supervisory authority under European law, the state also commissioned the developments and projects in the field of digitization of economic society and society, for example in school education (cf. nos. 1.2, 4.12 and 9.2.5). The Vermedia competence is a permanent task and was carried out by the state commissioner

Human dignity and informational self-determination remain central standards in digital age. Data protection is not an obstacle to digitalization, but is more essential prerequisite for their success. Digitization is not an end in itself, but serving means for the well-being of man. Here comes a data protection through technology design, data protection impact assessments and encryption concepts ten (cf. nos. 4.9 and 4.11) are of particular importance.

The state administration is not yet digitally modern. The state representative for adds: "Saxony-Anhalt needs an up-to-date e-government strategy quickly. the

The draft of the e-government law needs to be adjusted with a view to more holistic reliability and commitment. The municipal level must therefore be involved. A very-A uniform approach also benefits data protection, for example by means of appropriate standards."

(see No. 4.4) The Ministry of Finance seems to have finally recognized this. But still there is no modernization push through the country (cf. also nos. 4.2 and 4.3).

As a conclusion of the report, the state commissioner states: "A strong independent supervisory authority is the guarantor and impetus for effective data protection in the balance between different interests in the further development of the digital society."

The activity report is available on the website of the state commissioner and can be can also be ordered by telephone or in writing.

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