

## R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-165-4

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Rhode Island Longitudinal Data System Act (§§ 42-165-1 — 42-165-7)*

### 42-165-4. Creation.

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(a) The RILDS is hereby established within the office of the postsecondary commissioner and is granted and authorized to use all the powers set forth in this chapter.

(b) **Functions.** The RILDS shall:

- (1) Transmit, store, enable access to, permit the use, and dispose of linked data and information in accordance with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Cybersecurity Framework and associated NIST 800-53 security controls commensurate with data sensitivity level and in accordance with all applicable state and privacy laws and state security policies;
- (2) Serve as a central repository of the state's inter-agency, longitudinal, linked data;
- (3) Enable the integration, linkage, and management of information;
- (4) Report on and provide public access to aggregate data to, among other things, address inequities in access, opportunities, and outcomes and improve student and educator decision-making;
- (5) Provide clarity to university and other researchers on the process to request data and what data is available to request; and
- (6) Nothing in this chapter shall negate or otherwise adversely affect the validity and legal enforceability of any existing data sharing and/or research agreements executed between and among the state's participating agencies and the state's statewide longitudinal data system.

### History

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P.L. 2023, ch. 79, art. 3, § 10, effective June 16, 2023.