Section 1 Header

2023 SESSION

HOUSE BILL   *[bill number]*

AN ACT   prohibiting the state from requiring the public use proprietary software when visiting state websites.

SPONSORS: [sponsors]

COMMITTEE: [committee]

ANALYSIS

This bill prohibits the state from requiring the public use proprietary software when visiting state websites.

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics.***
        Matter removed from current law appears [in brackets and struckthrough.]
        Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Three

AN ACT   prohibiting the state from requiring the public use proprietary software when visiting state websites.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1   1 New Chapter; Free and Open Source Software. Amend RSA by inserting after chapter 21-V

2   the following new chapter:

3   CHAPTER 21-W

4   FREE AND OPEN SOURCE SOFTWARE

5   21-W:1 Proprietary Software on State Websites. No person in the state of New Hampshire shall

6   be required to allow the execution of proprietary javascript in their browser when visiting websites

7   administered by the state of New Hampshire. The department of information technology shall verify

8   that this is the case for each executive branch agency via the use of browser extensions of their

9   choice that are designed to detect and block the execution of proprietary javascript in their browsers,

10   or by confirming that no proprietary javascript blocks the functioning of any third-party online

11   archiving services that are attempting to archive state websites.

12   2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.