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SENATE BILL 257: Appropriations Act of 2017, Sec. 11A.1: DHHS Coordination of Health Information Technology

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OVERVIEW: *Sec. 11A.1 of S.L. 2017-57 adds a new section (G.S. 143B-139.4D) to Article 3 of Chapter 143B to require the Department of Health and Human Services, in cooperation with the State Chief Information Officer, to coordinate health information technology policies and programs for the State. The Department's Chief Information Officer is responsible for avoiding duplication of efforts and for ensuring that each State agency, public entity, and private entity that undertakes health information technology activities uses great expertise and technical capability in a manner that supports State and national goals and includes specified responsibilities. Additionally, the Department, in cooperation with the Department of Information Technology, is required to establish and direct a health information technology management structure that is efficient, transparent, and compatible with the Office of the National Health Coordinator for Information Technology governance mechanism. Specific responsibilities are listed for the health information technology management structure.*

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