SB 272 Catalog of Enterprise Systems

What is SB 272?

SB 272 requires local agencies (excluding school districts) to create catalogs of all enterprise systems that store information about the public, and to post this catalog on their websites, if they have websites. If they do not have a website, they are required to publish the catalog in a way that can be provided to anyone who asks. This law applies to all California special districts, cities and counties, and compliance is required by July 1, 2016.

Governor Brown approved SB 272 in October 2015, adding section 6270.5 to the California Public Records Act (the "Act," Government Code Sections 6250-6276.48). Because it was added to the Public Records Act, local agencies will not be able to seek reimbursement from the State for costs associated with compliance.

What is covered by SB 272?

Section 6270.5 defines an enterprise system as a software application or computer system that collects, stores, exchanges, and analyzes information that the agency uses that is:

A multidepartment system or system that contains information collected about the public and A system of record

A system of record means a system that serves as an original source of data within an agency.

SB 272 requires local agencies to create a catalog of multi-departmental systems or systems containing information about the public that store original records and post the catalog on their agency website.

What is excluded?

Enterprise systems do not include cybersecurity systems, infrastructure and mechanical control systems, or information that would reveal vulnerabilities to, or otherwise increase the potential for an attack on, a public agency's IT system. Additionally, section 6270.5 does not automatically require disclosure of the specific records that the IT systems collect, store, exchange or analyze, however, the Act's other provisions pertaining to disclosure of such records still apply.

What is required in the catalog?

For each enterprise system included in the catalog list, agencies must disclose:

Current system vendor

Current system product

The purpose of the system

What kind of data is stored in it

The department that serves as the system's primary custodian

How frequently system data is collected

How frequently system data is updated

For the full text of the bill, see https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB272

Salton Sea Authority Enterprise System Catalog

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					Frequency	Frequency
Vendor	Product	Purpose	Data Type	Custodian	Collected	Updated
Microsoft	Microsoft Outlook/	Email and calendaring	Email, Calendar,	Administration	Daily	Daily
	Office 365		Contacts			
Microsoft	Microsoft Office	Email, calendar,	Email, Calendar,	Administration	Daily	Daily
	2013 and 2010	document creation	Contacts, Documents			
Constant Contact	Constant Contact	Online email service	Email contacts,	Administration	Periodically	Periodically
		with contact storage	outgoing email			
			announcements			
Abbyy	Abbyy Reader	Business Card	Contact information	Administration	Periodically	Periodically
		Scanning Software	from business cards			