

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 385—ASSEMBLYMEN HICKEY, HAMBRICK,
BOBZIEN; PAUL ANDERSON, DUNCAN, FIORE, GRADY,
HARDY, KIRKPATRICK, KIRNER, LIVERMORE, MUNFORD
AND STEWART

MARCH 18, 2013

JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS HARDY; AND GUSTAVSON

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Establishes provisions relating to the deposit of data with a provider of information services.
(BDR 52-808)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets **[omitted material]** is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to electronic information; establishing provisions relating to the deposit of data with a provider of information services; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 This bill provides that a person who deposits data with a provider of
2 information services pursuant to a contract is entitled to unimpaired access in
3 accordance with the terms of the contract to any of his or her data stored in this
4 State notwithstanding any legal action which may be taken or which is pending
5 against the provider or any person to whom the provider provides information
6 services unless a court finds that there is probable cause to believe that access to the
7 data stored by the person who deposited the data has been used, is being used or is
8 intended to be used in the commission of a crime.



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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** The Legislature hereby finds and declares that:

2 1. The information services industry, including the provision of
3 and subscription to services relating to the processing of information
4 and the storage of data, is vitally important to the economic future of
5 this State; and

6 2. The continued growth in this State of the segment of the information services industry relating to the storage of data depends
7 on the creation of a legal environment that ensures a person
8 unimpaired contractual access to his or her data which is deposited
10 with a provider of information services and stored in this State.

11 **Sec. 2.** Chapter 603 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
12 thereto a new section to read as follows:

13 *1. A person who deposits data with a provider of information
14 services pursuant to a contract that establishes the terms under
15 which the person may access the data is entitled to unimpaired
16 access, in accordance with the terms of the contract, to any of his
17 or her data stored in this State, notwithstanding any legal action
18 which may be taken or which is pending against the provider or
19 any person to whom the provider provides information services,
20 unless a court of competent jurisdiction finds that there is
21 probable cause to believe that access to the data stored by the
22 person who deposited the data has been used, is being used or is
23 intended to be used in the commission of a crime.*

24 *2. As used in this section:*

25 *(a) "Data" means any sign, symbol or character or sequence
26 of signs, symbols or characters that communicates any
27 information, knowledge, facts, concepts or instructions in
28 electronic form using any technological format.*

29 *(b) "Information services" includes, without limitation,
30 services relating to the processing of information and the storage
31 of data.*

32 *(c) "Legal action" includes, without limitation, the seizure by
33 an agency of law enforcement of any facilities or devices used to
34 provide information services.*

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