

## Summary of AB959 Requirements

- This bill would require 4 specific state departments, in the course of collecting demographic data directly or by contract as to the ancestry or ethnic origin of Californians, to collect voluntary self-identification information pertaining to sexual orientation and gender identity, except as specified. This bill would require these state departments, during the regular process of reporting of demographic data to the Legislature, to report the collected data and method used to collect the data and make the data available to the public in accordance with state and federal law, except for personal identifying information, which shall be deemed confidential and prohibited from disclosure.
  
- This section shall only apply to the following state departments:
  - (A) The State Department of Health Care Services.
  - (B) The State Department of Public Health.
  - (C) The State Department of Social Services.
  - (D) The California Department of Aging.
  
- The bill would require these state departments to come into compliance with these provisions as early as possible, but no later than July 1, 2018.

For more information please

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