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1 AN ACT Relating to disclosure of contract information by state  
2 and local agencies; and adding a new section to chapter 4.24 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 4.24 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Any clause in a contract between state or local agencies and  
7 private vendors, including software and data storage vendors, that  
8 prohibits or otherwise prevents disclosure of the existence of the  
9 contract to the public or the purpose of the contract is against  
10 public policy and is void and unenforceable.

11 (2) Regarding software and data storage contracts, the contract  
12 may not prohibit or otherwise prevent disclosure of the extent of any  
13 databases held by the vendor of the software or data storage or the  
14 number of private individuals and entities about whom information is  
15 contained in the database.

16 (3) Nothing in this section requires disclosure of any  
17 information exempted from disclosure by RCW 42.56.270.

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