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H.B. No. 4442

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the capture or use of a biometric identifier.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 503.001, Business & Commerce Code, is amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

(f) (1) A state or local government, including a school, its contractor, subcontractor, or agents that captures a biometric identifier for the purpose of preventing safety or security concerns, theft, or other illegal activity may not sell the biometric identifier to a third-party.

(2) This section shall not be construed to prohibit a State or local government agency, including a school, or its contractors, subcontractors, or agents from capturing biometric identifiers for the purpose of preventing, detecting, or responding to safety or security incidents, theft, or other illegal activity.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.