

# HB 5521 • Illinois

## BIOMETRIC SURVEILLANCE ACT

Introduced

Risk: High

Comprehensive

Last Action (Apr 09, 2026): Added Co-Sponsor Rep. Diane Blair-Sherlock

### Summary

IL HB 5521: BIOMETRIC SURVEILLANCE ACT prohibits law enforcement from obtaining, retaining, possessing, accessing, requesting, using biometric systems, and entering agreements with third parties, state, local, or federal agencies.

### Business Impact

If you operate a biometric identification system in Illinois, you must cease operations or face legal action from the Attorney General.

### Key Provisions

- Prohibits law enforcement from obtaining, retaining, possessing, accessing, requesting, and using biometric identification systems and entering agreements with third parties, state, local, or federal agencies.
- Limits facial recognition services by the Secretary of State to identity verification for mobile licenses.
- Establishes a private right of action for individuals affected by violations of the Act.

### Compliance Checklist

- Cease use of biometric identification systems | Who: Law enforcement agencies | Penalty: Legal action from the Attorney General
- Limit facial recognition services to identity verification only | Who: Secretary of State | Penalty: Potential legal consequences for non-compliance

### Industries Affected

Transportation

Government

Biometric Technology

Law Enforcement

## Topics

AI in Government

AI Privacy

Facial Recognition

AI in Law Enforcement

## Bill Sponsors

Name	Party	Role
Kelly M. Cassidy	Democratic	Primary
Kevin John Olickal	Democratic	Cosponsor
Lilian Jiménez	Democratic	Cosponsor
Diane Blair-Sherlock	Democratic	Cosponsor

## Related Bills

- [HB5521 \(IL\)](#)

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