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Directs the director of the office of information technology services to conduct a study on the use of biometric identifying technology; prohibits the use of biometric identifying technology in schools until July 1, 2022 or until the commissioner of education authorizes such purchase or...

Introduced

Risk: Medium

Study/Task Force

Last Action (Jan 25, 2021): SUBSTITUTED BY A954

Summary

The bill mandates a study on biometric identifying technology use in public, nonpublic, and charter schools, prohibiting its use until authorized by the education commissioner.

Business Impact

If you operate a school in New York, you must refrain from using biometric technology until authorized or face potential legal issues.

Key Provisions

- Prohibits the use of biometric identifying technology in public, nonpublic, and charter schools until authorized by the education commissioner.
- Mandates a study on the implications of biometric technology on privacy, civil rights, and impacts on different subgroups.
- Allows limited use of biometric technology for employee identification with consent.
- Requires public reporting of study findings and recommendations.
- Involves stakeholder consultation in the study process.
- Repeals previous provisions related to biometric technology in education law.

Compliance Checklist

- Refrain from using biometric identifying technology in schools | Who: All public and nonpublic elementary and secondary schools | Penalty: Potential legal issues for non-compliance
- Participate in public hearings and provide feedback on biometric technology use | Who: Teachers, school administrators, parents, and experts

Industries Affected

Education

Technology

Bill Sponsors

Name	Party	Role
YOUNG		Primary
AMEDORE		Primary
KAVANAGH		Primary
Brad Hoylman-Sigal		Primary
Luis R. Sepúlveda	Democratic	Primary
Lea Webb	Democratic/Working Families	Cosponsor

Roll Call Votes

Date	Description	Yea	Nay	Result
2021-01-11	Rules Vote	15	6	Passed

Related Bills

- A00954 (NY)
- S5140 (NY)
- A6787 (NY)

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