

H1946 • Massachusetts

To implement the recommendations of the special commission on facial recognition technology

Introduced

Risk: High

Comprehensive

Last Action (Oct 23, 2025): Accompanied a new draft, see H4640

Summary

This bill aims to implement recommendations from a special commission on facial recognition technology in Massachusetts.

Business Impact

If you use facial recognition technology in Massachusetts, you must comply with new regulations or face penalties.

Key Provisions

- Include specific guidelines for the use of facial recognition technology.
- Establish oversight mechanisms to ensure compliance.
- Outline the implementation process involving key stakeholders.

Compliance Checklist

- Ensure transparency in the use of facial recognition technology | Who: Businesses using facial recognition | Penalty: Fines for non-compliance
- Obtain consent from individuals before capturing facial data | Who: Businesses using facial recognition | Penalty: Fines for non-compliance

Industries Affected

Technology

Law Enforcement

Retail

Surveillance

Security

Topics

Facial Recognition

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Related Bills

- S1053 (MA)
- S927 (MA)
- H4640 (MA)
- H4359 (MA)
- H1728 (MA)

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