

1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to personal privacy; providing a short  
3 title; providing that digital data is protected from  
4 unreasonable search and seizure; prohibiting certain  
5 government agencies from selling personal identifying  
6 information for certain purposes; defining the term  
7 "secondary commercial purposes"; creating s. 901.40,  
8 F.S.; prohibiting use of certain radar technology by  
9 law enforcement agencies except for specified  
10 purposes; providing that evidence unlawfully collected  
11 is not admissible in criminal, civil, or  
12 administrative actions; creating s. 922.235, F.S.;  
13 prohibiting certain Internet protocol addresses from  
14 being disclosed unless certain conditions are met;  
15 providing a private right of action; providing  
16 limitations; creating s. 934.70, F.S.; providing  
17 definitions; providing restrictions on government  
18 searches of portable electronic devices; requiring a  
19 warrant for all searches of such devices; prohibiting  
20 government entities from entering into nondisclosure  
21 agreements with vendors of certain equipment used to  
22 monitor portable electronic devices; declaring  
23 existing nondisclosure agreements void; providing that  
24 such agreement is subject to public records laws;  
25 providing that evidence unlawfully collected is not  
26 admissible in criminal, civil, or administrative

27 | actions; providing exceptions; providing criminal  
28 | penalties for violations; authorizing a private right  
29 | of action against governmental entities for  
30 | violations; requiring common carriers, electronic  
31 | communications services, courts, and prosecutors to  
32 | prepare certain reports to be delivered to the Florida  
33 | Department of Law Enforcement; providing requirements  
34 | for such reports; requiring the department to prepare  
35 | reports to be delivered to certain legislative and  
36 | executive entities; providing requirements for such  
37 | reports; creating s. 934.80, F.S.; prohibiting state  
38 | agency use of license plate readers; providing  
39 | exceptions; providing that license plate reader  
40 | records are expressly subject to the public records  
41 | laws; requiring certain data held by government  
42 | agencies to be purged; providing that a government  
43 | agency may not receive certain data from a third  
44 | party; providing a private right of action; providing  
45 | that records obtained unlawfully are not admissible in  
46 | a criminal prosecution; creating s. 1002.227, F.S.;  
47 | requiring school district contracts involving student  
48 | data contain a provision barring contractors from  
49 | selling, distributing, or accessing such data;  
50 | providing exceptions; declaring student data to be the  
51 | property of the school district; providing that  
52 | student data shall not be provided to the Federal

53 Government or commercial interests without written  
 54 permission of a parent or guardian or the student;  
 55 prohibiting companies from mining student data for  
 56 commercial purposes; requiring a school or third party  
 57 to delete or destroy certain student data under  
 58 specified circumstances; providing penalties;  
 59 restricting the use of public funds in defense of or  
 60 for the reimbursement of a person who knowingly or  
 61 willfully violates this act; prohibiting the  
 62 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles from  
 63 incorporating an electronic tracking device upon or  
 64 within a driver license or identification card;  
 65 prohibiting the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
 66 Vehicles from obtaining fingerprints or biometric DNA  
 67 material of citizens; providing severability;  
 68 providing an effective date.

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70 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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72 Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Florida Privacy  
 73 Protection Act."

74 Section 2. The Legislature declares that digital data is  
 75 property that is constitutionally protected from unreasonable  
 76 search and seizure.

77 Section 3. All government entities, as defined in s.  
 78 934.70, Florida Statutes, are prohibited from selling personal

79 identifying information for secondary commercial purposes. For  
80 purposes of this section, the term "secondary commercial  
81 purposes" includes the use of personal information data acquired  
82 from a government entity, by a private entity, and not expressly  
83 authorized by law.

84 Section 4. Section 901.40, Florida Statutes, is created to  
85 read:

86 901.40 Prohibition against use of wall-penetrating radar  
87 device.—A law enforcement officer or law enforcement agency in  
88 this state may not use a wall-penetrating radar device. This  
89 section does not prohibit the use of a wall-penetrating radar  
90 device:

91 (1) To execute a lawful arrest warrant issued pursuant to  
92 s. 901.02.

93 (2) To counter a high risk of a terrorist attack by a  
94 specific individual or organization if the United States  
95 Secretary of Homeland Security determines that credible  
96 intelligence indicates that there is such a risk.

97 (3) If the law enforcement agency first obtains a search  
98 warrant signed by a judge authorizing the use of a wall-  
99 penetrating radar device.

100 (4) If the law enforcement agency has a reasonable belief  
101 that, under particular circumstances, swift action is needed to  
102 prevent imminent danger to life or serious damage to property;  
103 to forestall the imminent escape of a suspect or the destruction  
104 of evidence; or to achieve purposes, including, but not limited

105 to, facilitating the search for a missing person.

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 107 Evidence obtained in violation of this section is not admissible  
 108 in a criminal, civil, administrative, or other proceeding except  
 109 as proof of a violation of this section.

110 Section 5. Section 922.235, Florida Statutes, is created  
 111 to read:

112 922.235 Internet protocol address privacy.-

113 (1) A provider of electronic communications services to  
 114 the public shall not provide third parties with information that  
 115 allows an Internet protocol address to be linked to a specific  
 116 subscriber or customer without the express permission of the  
 117 subscriber or customer. The request for permission must be clear  
 118 and conspicuous and must require the subscriber or customer to  
 119 take an affirmative action to acknowledge such permission. This  
 120 subsection does not prohibit a provider of electronic  
 121 communications services from complying with a lawful subpoena or  
 122 warrant.

123 (2) A person may institute a civil action in a court of  
 124 competent jurisdiction to seek injunctive relief to enforce  
 125 compliance with this section or to recover damages and penalties  
 126 from a provider that violates this section. A person is entitled  
 127 to recover a \$10,000 penalty for each violation of this section.

128 (3) An action under this section must commence within 2  
 129 years after the date that the information is disclosed.

130 Section 6. Section 934.70, Florida Statutes, is created to

131 read:

132 934.70 Portable electronic device privacy.-

133 (1) DEFINITIONS.-As used in this section, the term:

134 (a) "Department" means the Department of Law Enforcement.

135 (b) "Government entity" means a federal, state, or local  
 136 government agency, including, but not limited to, a law  
 137 enforcement agency or any other investigative entity, agency,  
 138 department, division, bureau, board, or commission or an  
 139 individual acting or purporting to act for, or on behalf of, a  
 140 federal, state, or local government agency. The term does not  
 141 include a federal agency to the extent that federal law preempts  
 142 this section.

143 (c) "Information" includes any information concerning the  
 144 substance or meaning or purported substance or meaning of a  
 145 communication, including, but not limited to, the name and  
 146 address of the sender and receiver and the time, date, location,  
 147 and duration of the communication.

148 (d) "Portable electronic device" means any portable device  
 149 that is capable of creating, receiving, accessing, or storing  
 150 electronic data or communications, including, but not limited  
 151 to, cellular telephones.

152 (2) Information contained in a portable electronic device  
 153 is not subject to search by a government entity, including a  
 154 search incident to a lawful arrest, except pursuant to a warrant  
 155 signed by a judge and based on probable cause or pursuant to a  
 156 lawful exception to the warrant requirement.

157 (3) A government entity may not enter into a nondisclosure  
158 agreement with a vendor who sells equipment to monitor  
159 electronic devices. Any existing nondisclosure agreements are  
160 declared void as being against the public policy of the state.  
161 Records otherwise protected by such agreements are declared  
162 subject to the public records laws, and an agency may not refuse  
163 to disclose such agreements or related records upon request by  
164 citing such an agreement.

165 (4) Evidence obtained in violation of this section is not  
166 admissible in a criminal, civil, administrative, or other  
167 proceeding except as proof of a violation of this section.

168 (5) A government entity that purposely violates this  
169 section commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as  
170 provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. A person injured by a  
171 government entity as a result of a violation of this section may  
172 file civil suit against the government entity.

173 (6) (a) By January 15 of each year, a communication common  
174 carrier or electronic communications service doing business in  
175 this state shall report to the department the following  
176 information for the preceding calendar year, disaggregated by  
177 each law enforcement agency in this state making the applicable  
178 requests:

179 1. The number of requests made for pen register or trap  
180 and trace information.

181 2. The number of requests made for electronic serial  
182 number reader information.

183       3. The number of requests made for location information.

184       4. The number of individuals whose location information  
 185 was disclosed.

186       5. The amount that each law enforcement agency was billed  
 187 by the communication common carrier or electronic communications  
 188 service for each request made under subsections (1)-(3).

189       (b) By the 30th day after expiration of a warrant or order  
 190 issued under subsection (2) or an order extending the period of  
 191 a warrant or order issued under subsection (2), or by the 30th  
 192 day after the court denies an application for a warrant or order  
 193 under subsection (2), the court shall submit to the department  
 194 the following information, as applicable:

195           1. The receipt of an application for a warrant or order  
 196 under this article.

197           2. The type of warrant or order for which the application  
 198 was made.

199           3. Whether any application for an order of extension was  
 200 granted, granted as modified by the court, or denied.

201           4. The period of monitoring authorized by the warrant or  
 202 order and the number and duration of any extensions of the  
 203 warrant.

204           5. The offense under investigation, as specified in the  
 205 application for the warrant or order or an extension of the  
 206 warrant or order.

207           6. The name of the law enforcement agency or prosecutor  
 208 that submitted an application for the warrant or order or an



209 extension of the warrant or order.

210 (c) By January 15 of each year, each prosecutor that  
211 submits an application for a warrant or order or an extension of  
212 a warrant or order under this section shall submit to the  
213 department the following information for the preceding calendar  
214 year:

215 1. The information required to be submitted by a court  
216 under paragraph (b) with respect to each application submitted  
217 by the prosecutor for the warrant or order or an extension of  
218 the warrant or order.

219 2. A general description of information collected under  
220 each warrant or order that was issued by the court, including  
221 the approximate number of individuals for whom location  
222 information was intercepted and the approximate duration of the  
223 monitoring of the location information of those individuals.

224 3. The number of arrests made as a result of information  
225 obtained under a warrant or order issued pursuant to subsection  
226 (2).

227 4. The number of criminal trials commenced as a result of  
228 information obtained under a warrant or order issued pursuant to  
229 subsection (2).

230 5. The number of convictions obtained as a result of  
231 information obtained under a warrant or order issued pursuant to  
232 subsection (2).

233 (d) Reports submitted to the department under this section  
234 are expressly declared subject to disclosure under the public

235 records laws and are not confidential or exempt.

236 (e) By March 1 of each year, the department shall submit a  
237 report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker  
238 of the House of Representatives, and the chairs of the standing  
239 committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives with  
240 primary jurisdiction over criminal justice. The report shall  
241 contain the following information for the preceding calendar  
242 year:

243 1. An assessment of the extent of tracking or monitoring  
244 by law enforcement agencies of pen registers, trap and trace  
245 devices, electronic serial number readers, and location  
246 information.

247 2. A comparison of the ratio of the number of applications  
248 for warrants or orders made pursuant to subsection (2) to the  
249 number of arrests and convictions resulting from information  
250 obtained under a warrant or order issued pursuant to subsection  
251 (2).

252 3. Identification of the types of offenses investigated  
253 under a warrant or order issued pursuant to subsection (2).

254 4. With respect to both state and local jurisdictions, an  
255 estimate of the total cost of conducting investigations under a  
256 warrant or order issued pursuant to subsection (2).

257 Section 7. Section 934.80, Florida Statutes, is created to  
258 read:

259 934.80 License plate readers.—

260 (1) A government entity or agency, including a law

261 enforcement entity or agency, may not use a license plate reader  
 262 to gather evidence or other information, except that a license  
 263 plate reader may be used:

264 (a) For toll collection enforcement.

265 (b) To counter a high risk of a terrorist attack by a  
 266 specific individual or organization if the United States  
 267 Secretary of Homeland Security determines that credible  
 268 intelligence indicates that there is such a risk.

269 (c) If the law enforcement agency first obtains a search  
 270 warrant signed by a judge authorizing the use of a license plate  
 271 reader.

272 (d) If the law enforcement agency possesses reasonable  
 273 belief that, under particular circumstances, swift action is  
 274 needed to prevent imminent danger to life or serious damage to  
 275 property, to forestall the imminent escape of a suspect or the  
 276 destruction of evidence, or to achieve purposes, including, but  
 277 not limited to, facilitating the search for a missing person.

278 (2) A government agency that operates a license plate  
 279 reader shall, upon request, disclose whether a database has been  
 280 created with the data collected. All license plate surveillance  
 281 programs administered in this state by either a government  
 282 agency or by a contractor acting on behalf of a government  
 283 agency are subject to public records laws. All existing  
 284 government-maintained license plate reader surveillance  
 285 databases shall purge all records not obtained by warrant.

286 (3) A government agency that operates a license plate

287 reader shall delete all data collected by the license plate  
 288 reader no sooner than 14 days and no later than 30 days after  
 289 collection, unless the data has been flagged by law enforcement  
 290 as containing evidence of a crime or being relevant to an  
 291 ongoing criminal investigation.

292 (4) A government agency may not request or receive from a  
 293 private party data from a license plate reader that is collected  
 294 and retained in a manner inconsistent with this section.

295 (5) An aggrieved party may initiate a civil action against  
 296 a government agency to obtain appropriate relief or to prevent  
 297 or remedy a violation of this section.

298 (6) Evidence obtained or collected in violations of this  
 299 section is not admissible in a criminal prosecution.

300 Section 8. Section 1002.227, Florida Statutes, is created  
 301 to read:

302 1002.227 Contract requirements relating to student data.-

303 (1) All contracts between school districts and companies  
 304 that process or receive student data shall explicitly prohibit  
 305 the companies from selling, distributing, or accessing any  
 306 student data, except as instructed by the school district in  
 307 order to comply with local, state, or federal reporting  
 308 requirements.

309 (2) Any data collected from students through online  
 310 learning is the property of the school district, not the  
 311 company.

312 (3) (a) Data collected on a student who is younger than 18

313 years of age may not be provided to the Federal Government or to  
314 commercial companies without the written consent of the parent  
315 or the guardian of the student.

316 (b) Data collected on a student who is 18 years of age or  
317 older may not be provided to the Federal Government or to  
318 commercial companies without the written consent of the adult  
319 student.

320 (c) This subsection does not prohibit any party from  
321 complying with a lawful subpoena or warrant.

322 (4) Education technical companies that contract with  
323 public schools shall be prohibited from mining student data for  
324 commercial purposes.

325 (5) Except as otherwise required by law, or where such  
326 information is the subject of an ongoing disciplinary,  
327 administrative, or judicial action or proceeding, upon a  
328 student's graduation, withdrawal, or expulsion from an  
329 educational institution, all personally identifiable student  
330 data related to that student:

331 (a) Stored in a student information system shall be  
332 deleted.

333 (b) In the possession or under the control of a school  
334 employee or third party shall be deleted or destroyed.

335 (6) (a) A violation of this section shall result in a civil  
336 fine of up to \$10,000 against the elected school board members  
337 under whose jurisdiction the violation occurred.

338 (b) Except as required by applicable law, public funds may

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339 not be used to defend or reimburse the unlawful conduct of any  
340 person found to knowingly and willfully violate this section.

341 Section 9. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
342 Vehicles shall not incorporate any radio frequency  
343 identification device, or "RFID," or any similar electronic  
344 tracking device upon or within any driver license or  
345 identification card issued by the department. The department may  
346 not obtain fingerprints or biometric DNA material from a United  
347 States citizen for purposes of any issuance, renewal,  
348 reinstatement, or modification of a driver license or  
349 identification card issued by the department.

350 Section 10. If any provision of this act or its  
351 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the  
352 invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of  
353 this act which can be given effect without the invalid provision  
354 or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are  
355 severable.

356 Section 11. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.