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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to privacy; prohibiting retail establishments and their employees and agents from directly observing or using video cameras or other surveillance equipment to observe customers in dressing rooms, fitting rooms, changing rooms, or rest rooms; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. (1) It is unlawful for any retail sales establishment or any person employed by, or acting as an agent of or on behalf of any person or entity contracting with, such an establishment to directly observe or make use of video cameras or other surveillance devices to observe or record customers who are using the retail sales establishment's dressing room, fitting room, changing room, or rest room.

(2) Any person or entity who violates subsection (1) is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in section 775.082 or section 775.083, Florida Statutes.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999.

SENATE SUMMARY

Makes it a first-degree misdemeanor for a retail establishment or its employees or agents to directly observe or make use of video cameras or similar equipment to observe customers in dressing rooms, fitting rooms, changing rooms, or rest rooms.