
HOUSE BILL 1552

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1 AN ACT Relating to protecting personal data collected by state
2 agencies; adding new sections to chapter 43.105 RCW; and creating a
3 new section.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the state of
6 Washington has been selling the personal data of its citizens to
7 third-party vendors. This practice violates the state's obligation to
8 respect and protect its citizens' personal property and it must come
9 to an end. The legislature therefore intends to prohibit state
10 agencies from selling personal data to third parties.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.105
12 RCW to read as follows:

13 (1) The sale of personal data by a state agency to a third party
14 is prohibited.

15 (2) By December 31st of each year, a state agency must certify
16 compliance with the requirements of this section to the office of
17 privacy and data protection.

18 (3) As used in this section:

19 (a) "Personal data" means any information relating to a natural
20 person that is collected by a state agency.

1 (b) "Sale" means the exchange of personal data for monetary
2 consideration, other than cost recovery as permitted by law, to a
3 third party.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 43.105
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) A state agency must be transparent and accountable for its
7 processing of personal data by making available to state residents
8 and property owners a privacy notice that includes:

9 (a) The categories of personal data collected by the state
10 agency;

11 (b) The categories of personal data that the state agency shares
12 with third parties, if any, and the purposes for which that data is
13 shared; and

14 (c) The categories of third parties, if any, with whom the state
15 agency shares personal data.

16 (2) As used in this section:

17 (a) "Personal data" has the same meaning as defined in section 2
18 of this act.

19 (b) "Processing" means any operation or set of operations that is
20 performed on personal data or sets of personal data, such as
21 collection, storage, alteration, retrieval, use, disclosure, or
22 dissemination.

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