

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Commerce and Economic Development to which was
3 referred Senate Bill No. 110 entitled “An act relating to data privacy”
4 respectfully reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the
5 House propose to the Senate that the bill be amended by striking out all after
6 the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 * * * Data Privacy; State Government * * *

8 Sec. 1. DATA PRIVACY INVENTORY

9 (a) On or before January 15, 2020, the following persons shall e conduct a
10 data privacy inventory and submit a report for their respective branches of
11 State government to the House Committees on Commerce and Economic
12 Development and on Government Operations and to the Senate Committees on
13 Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs and on Government
14 Operations:

15 (1) the State Court Administrator for the judicial branch;

16 (2) the Deputy Director for Information Technology within the Office of
17 Legislative Council for the legislative branch; and

18 (3) the Chief Data Officer within the Agency of Digital Services and the
19 Chief Records Officer within the Office of the Secretary of State for the
20 executive branch.

1 (b) The inventory and report for each branch shall address the collection
2 and management of personally identifiable information, as defined in 9 V.S.A.
3 § 2430(9), and of street addresses, e-mail addresses, telephone numbers, and
4 demographic information, specifically:

5 (1) federal and State laws, rules, and regulations that:

6 (A) exempt personally identifiable information from public
7 inspection and copying pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 317;

8 (B) require personally identifiable information to be produced or
9 acquired in the course of State government business;

10 (C) specify fees for obtaining personally identifiable information
11 produced or acquired in the course of State government business; and

12 (D) require personally identifiable information to be shared between
13 branches of State government or between branches and non-state entities,
14 including municipalities;

15 (2) arrangements or agreements, whether verbal or written, between
16 branches of State government or between branches and non-state entities,
17 including municipalities, to share personally identifiable information, street
18 addresses, e-mail addresses, telephone numbers, and demographic information;
19 and

20 (3) recommendations for proposed legislation concerning the collection
21 and management of personally identifiable information, street addresses, e-

1 mail addresses, telephone numbers, and demographic information by all three
2 branches of State government.

3 * * * Security Breach Notice Act * * *

4 Sec. 2. 9 V.S.A. § 2430(9) is amended to read:

5 (9)(A) “Personally identifiable information” means a consumer’s first
6 name or first initial and last name, or a consumer’s Social Security number, in
7 combination with any one or more of the following digital data elements, when
8 either the name if the Social Security number or the data elements are not
9 encrypted, or redacted, or protected by another method that renders them
10 unreadable or unusable by unauthorized persons:

11 (i) Social Security number a driver license or identification
12 number, passport number, military identification number, or other similar
13 [government-issued] number [issued on a government document and] used to
14 verify identity;

15 (ii) motor vehicle operator’s license number or nondriver
16 identification card number a health insurance policy number;

17 (iii) a financial account number or credit or debit card number, if
18 circumstances exist in which the number could be used without additional
19 identifying information, access codes, or passwords;

20 (iv) a account passwords password, or personal identification
21 numbers number, or other access codes code for a financial account;

1 (v) unique biometric data generated from measurements or
2 technical analysis of human body characteristics used by the owner or licensee
3 of the data to identify or authenticate the consumer, such as a fingerprint, retina
4 or iris image, or other unique physical representation or digital representation
5 of biometric data;

6 (vi) genetic information;

7 (vii) health information about a consumer's medical history,
8 mental condition, or physical condition, or about a health care professional's
9 medical diagnosis or treatment of the consumer; and

10 (viii) login credentials, including a username or password; and a
11 user name or email address, in combination with a password or an answer to a
12 security question, that together permit access to an online account.

13 ~~(ix) a passport number.~~

14 (B) "Personally identifiable information" does not mean publicly
15 available information that is lawfully made available to the general public from
16 federal, State, or local government records.

17 Sec. 3. 9 V.S.A. § 2435 is amended to read:

18 § 2435. NOTICE OF SECURITY BREACHES

19 (a) This section shall be known as the Security Breach Notice Act.

20 (b) Notice of breach.

1 (1) Except as set forth in subsection (d) of this section, any data collector
2 that owns or licenses computerized personally identifiable information that
3 includes personal information concerning a consumer shall notify the
4 consumer that there has been a security breach following discovery or
5 notification to the data collector of the breach. Notice of the security breach
6 shall be made in the most expedient time possible and without unreasonable
7 delay, but not later than 45 days after the discovery or notification, consistent
8 with the legitimate needs of the law enforcement agency, as provided in
9 subdivisions (3) and (4) of this subsection (b), or with any measures necessary
10 to determine the scope of the security breach and restore the reasonable
11 integrity, security, and confidentiality of the data system.

12 (2) Any data collector that maintains or possesses computerized data
13 containing personally identifiable information of a consumer that the data
14 collector does not own or license or any data collector that acts or conducts
15 business in Vermont that maintains or possesses records or data containing
16 personally identifiable information that the data collector does not own or
17 license shall notify the owner or licensee of the information of any security
18 breach immediately following discovery of the breach, consistent with the
19 legitimate needs of law enforcement as provided in subdivisions (3) and (4) of
20 this subsection (b).

1 (3) A data collector or other entity subject to this subchapter shall
2 provide notice of a breach to the Attorney General or to the Department of
3 Financial Regulation, as applicable, as follows:

4 (A) A data collector or other entity regulated by the Department of
5 Financial Regulation under Title 8 or this title shall provide notice of a breach
6 to the Department. All other data collectors or other entities subject to this
7 subchapter shall provide notice of a breach to the Attorney General.

8 (B)(i) The data collector shall notify the Attorney General or the
9 Department, as applicable, of the date of the security breach and the date of
10 discovery of the breach and shall provide a preliminary description of the
11 breach within 14 business days, consistent with the legitimate needs of the law
12 enforcement agency as provided in this subdivision (3) and subdivision (4) of
13 this subsection (b), of the data collector's discovery of the security breach or
14 when the data collector provides notice to consumers pursuant to this section,
15 whichever is sooner.

16 (ii) Notwithstanding subdivision (B)(i) of this subdivision (b)(3), a
17 data collector who, prior to the date of the breach, on a form and in a manner
18 prescribed by the Attorney General, had sworn in writing to the Attorney
19 General that it maintains written policies and procedures to maintain the
20 security of personally identifiable information and respond to a breach in a
21 manner consistent with Vermont law shall notify the Attorney General of the

1 date of the security breach and the date of discovery of the breach and shall
2 provide a description of the breach prior to providing notice of the breach to
3 consumers pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection (b).

4 (iii) If the date of the breach is unknown at the time notice is sent
5 to the Attorney General or to the Department, the data collector shall send the
6 Attorney General or the Department the date of the breach as soon as it is
7 known.

8 (iv) Unless otherwise ordered by a court of this State for good
9 cause shown, a notice provided under this subdivision (3)(B) shall not be
10 disclosed to any person other than the Department, the authorized agent or
11 representative of the Attorney General, a State's Attorney, or another law
12 enforcement officer engaged in legitimate law enforcement activities without
13 the consent of the data collector.

14 (C)(i) When the data collector provides notice of the breach pursuant
15 to subdivision (1) of this subsection (b), the data collector shall notify the
16 Attorney General or the Department, as applicable, of the number of Vermont
17 consumers affected, if known to the data collector, and shall provide a copy of
18 the notice provided to consumers under subdivision (1) of this subsection (b).

19 (ii) The data collector may send to the Attorney General or the
20 Department, as applicable, a second copy of the consumer notice, from which
21 is redacted the type of personally identifiable information that was subject to

1 the breach, and which the Attorney General or the Department shall use for
2 any public disclosure of the breach.

3 (4)(A) The notice to a consumer required by this subsection shall be
4 delayed upon request of a law enforcement agency. A law enforcement agency
5 may request the delay if it believes that notification may impede a law
6 enforcement investigation, or a national or Homeland Security investigation or
7 jeopardize public safety or national or Homeland Security interests. In the
8 event law enforcement makes the request for a delay in a manner other than in
9 writing, the data collector shall document such request contemporaneously in
10 writing, including the name of the law enforcement officer making the request
11 and the officer's law enforcement agency engaged in the investigation. A law
12 enforcement agency shall promptly notify the data collector in writing when
13 the law enforcement agency no longer believes that notification may impede a
14 law enforcement investigation, or a national or Homeland Security
15 investigation or jeopardize public safety or national or Homeland Security
16 interests. The data collector shall provide notice required by this section
17 without unreasonable delay upon receipt of a written communication, which
18 includes facsimile or electronic communication, from the law enforcement
19 agency withdrawing its request for delay.

20 (B) A Vermont law enforcement agency with a reasonable belief that
21 a security breach has or may have occurred at a specific business shall notify

1 the business in writing of its belief. The agency shall also notify the business
2 that additional information on the security breach may need to be furnished to
3 the Office of the Attorney General or the Department of Financial Regulation
4 and shall include the website and telephone number for the Office and the
5 Department in the notice required by this subdivision. Nothing in this
6 subdivision shall alter the responsibilities of a data collector under this section
7 or provide a cause of action against a law enforcement agency that fails,
8 without bad faith, to provide the notice required by this subdivision.

9 (5) The notice to a consumer shall be clear and conspicuous. The notice
10 shall include a description of each of the following, if known to the data
11 collector:

12 (A) the incident in general terms;

13 (B) the type of personally identifiable information that was subject to
14 the security breach;

15 (C) the general acts of the data collector to protect the personally
16 identifiable information from further security breach;

17 (D) a telephone number, toll-free if available, that the consumer may
18 call for further information and assistance;

19 (E) advice that directs the consumer to remain vigilant by reviewing
20 account statements and monitoring free credit reports; and

21 (F) the approximate date of the security breach.

1 (6) A data collector may provide notice of a security breach to a
2 consumer by one or more of the following methods:

3 (A) Direct notice, which may be by one of the following methods:

4 (i) written notice mailed to the consumer’s residence;

5 (ii) electronic notice, for those consumers for whom the data
6 collector has a valid e-mail address if:

7 (I) the data collector’s primary method of communication with
8 the consumer is by electronic means, the electronic notice does not request or
9 contain a hypertext link to a request that the consumer provide personal
10 information, and the electronic notice conspicuously warns consumers not to
11 provide personal information in response to electronic communications
12 regarding security breaches; or

13 (II) the notice is consistent with the provisions regarding
14 electronic records and signatures for notices in 15 U.S.C. § 7001; or

15 (iii) telephonic notice, provided that telephonic contact is made
16 directly with each affected consumer and not through a prerecorded message.

17 (B)(i) Substitute notice, if:

18 (I) the data collector demonstrates that the lowest cost of
19 providing notice to affected consumers pursuant to subdivision (6)(A) of this
20 subsection among written, e-mail, or telephonic notice ~~to affected consumers~~
21 would exceed ~~\$5,000.00~~ \$10,000.00; or

1 (II) ~~the class of affected consumers to be provided written or~~
2 ~~telephonic notice exceeds 5,000; or~~

3 ~~(III)~~ the data collector does not have sufficient contact
4 information.

5 (ii) A data collector shall provide substitute notice by:

6 (I) conspicuously posting the notice on the data collector's
7 website if the data collector maintains one; and

8 (II) notifying major statewide and regional media.

9 (c) In the event a data collector provides notice to more than 1,000
10 consumers at one time pursuant to this section, the data collector shall notify,
11 without unreasonable delay, all consumer reporting agencies that compile and
12 maintain files on consumers on a nationwide basis, as defined in 15 U.S.C. §
13 1681a(p), of the timing, distribution, and content of the notice. This subsection
14 shall not apply to a person who is licensed or registered under Title 8 by the
15 Department of Financial Regulation.

16 (d)(1) Notice of a security breach pursuant to subsection (b) of this section
17 is not required if the data collector establishes that misuse of personal
18 information is not reasonably possible and the data collector provides notice of
19 the determination that the misuse of the personal information is not reasonably
20 possible pursuant to the requirements of this subsection (d). If the data
21 collector establishes that misuse of the personal information is not reasonably

1 possible, the data collector shall provide notice of its determination that misuse
2 of the personal information is not reasonably possible and a detailed
3 explanation for said determination to the Vermont Attorney General or to the
4 Department of Financial Regulation in the event that the data collector is a
5 person or entity licensed or registered with the Department under Title 8 or this
6 title. The data collector may designate its notice and detailed explanation to the
7 Vermont Attorney General or the Department of Financial Regulation as “trade
8 secret” if the notice and detailed explanation meet the definition of trade secret
9 contained in 1 V.S.A. § 317(c)(9).

10 (2) If a data collector established that misuse of personal information
11 was not reasonably possible under subdivision (1) of this subsection (d), and
12 subsequently obtains facts indicating that misuse of the personal information
13 has occurred or is occurring, the data collector shall provide notice of the
14 security breach pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

15 (3) If a security breach is limited to an unauthorized acquisition of
16 personally identifiable information comprising a consumer’s name or Social
17 Security number and login credentials, as specified in subdivision
18 2430(9)(A)(viii) of this title, for an online account other than an email account:

19 (A) the data collector shall provide notice of the security breach
20 to the consumer electronically [or by another reasonable method? – specify?]
21 and shall advise the consumer to take steps necessary to protect the online

1 account, including to change his or her login credentials for the account and for
2 any other account for which the consumer uses the same login credentials; and

3 (B) if the personally identifiable information was acquired directly
4 from the data collector [or its agent], the data collector shall provide notice of
5 the security breach to the Attorney General or Department of Financial
6 Regulation, as applicable.

7 (4) If a security breach is limited to an unauthorized acquisition of
8 personally identifiable information comprising a consumer's name or Social
9 Security number and login credentials, as specified in subdivision
10 2430(9)(A)(viii) of this title, for an email account:

11 (A) the data collector shall not provide notice of the security breach
12 through the email account; and

13 (B) the data collector shall provide notice of the security breach
14 [through another reasonable method? -specify?], including [by clear and
15 conspicuous notice delivered to the consumer online when the consumer is
16 connected to the {online account?} from an Internet protocol address or online
17 location from which the data collector knows the consumer customarily
18 accesses {the account}]

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1 address or other information that allows physical or online contact; discipline
2 records; test results; special education data; juvenile dependency records;
3 grades; evaluations; criminal records; medical records; health records; social
4 security number; biometric information; disability status; socioeconomic
5 information; food purchases; political affiliations; religious information; text
6 messages; documents; student identifiers; search activity; photos; voice
7 recordings; or geolocation information.

8 (2) “PreK–12 school purposes” means purposes that are directed by or
9 that customarily take place at the direction of a school, teacher, or school
10 district; aid in the administration of school activities, including instruction in
11 the classroom or at home, administrative activities, and collaboration between
12 students, school personnel, or parents; or are otherwise for the use and benefit
13 of the school.

14 (3) “Operator” means, to the extent that an entity is operating in this
15 capacity, the operator of an Internet website, online service, online application,
16 or mobile application with actual knowledge that the site, service, or
17 application is used primarily for PreK–12 school purposes and was designed
18 and marketed for PreK–12 school purposes.

19 (4) “School” means:

1 (A) a public or private preschool, kindergarten, elementary or
2 secondary educational institution, vocational school, special educational
3 agency or institution; and

4 (B) a person, agency, or institution that maintains school student
5 records from more than one of the entities described in subdivision (6)(A) of
6 this section.

7 (5) “Targeted advertising” means presenting advertisements to a student
8 where the advertisement is selected based on information obtained or inferred
9 over time from that student’s online behavior, usage of applications, or covered
10 information. The term does not include advertising to a student at an online
11 location based upon that student’s current visit to that location or in response to
12 that student’s request for information or feedback, without the retention of that
13 student’s online activities or requests over time for the purpose in whole or in
14 part of targeting subsequent ads.

15 § 2443a. OPERATOR PROHIBITIONS

16 (a) An operator shall not knowingly do any of the following with respect to
17 its site, service, or application:

18 (1) Engage in targeted advertising on the operator’s site, service, or
19 application or target advertising on any other site, service, or application if the
20 targeting of the advertising is based on any information, including covered
21 information and persistent unique identifiers, that the operator has acquired

1 because of the use of that operator’s site, service, or application for PreK–12
2 school purposes;

3 (2) Use information, including a persistent unique identifier, that is
4 created or gathered by the operator’s site, service, or application to amass a
5 profile about a student, except in furtherance of PreK–12 school purposes.
6 “Amass a profile” does not include the collection and retention of account
7 information that remains under the control of the student, the student’s parent
8 or legal guardian, or the school.

9 (3) Sell, barter, or rent a student’s information, including covered
10 information. This subdivision (3) does not apply to the purchase, merger, or
11 other type of acquisition of an operator by another entity if the operator or
12 successor entity complies with this subchapter regarding previously acquired
13 student information.

14 (4) Except as otherwise provided in section 2443c of this title, disclose
15 covered information, unless the disclosure is made for one or more of the
16 following purposes and is proportionate to the identifiable information
17 necessary to accomplish the purpose:

18 (A) to further the PreK–12 school purposes of the site, service, or
19 application, provided:

1 (i) the recipient of the covered information does not further
2 disclose the information except to allow or improve operability and
3 functionality of the operator’s site, service, or application; and

4 (ii) the covered information is not used for a purpose inconsistent
5 with this subchapter;

6 (B) to ensure legal and regulatory compliance or take precautions
7 against liability;

8 (C) to respond to judicial process;

9 (D) to protect the safety or integrity of users of the site or others or
10 the security of the site, service, or application;

11 (E) for a school, educational, or employment purpose requested by
12 the student or the student’s parent or legal guardian, provided that the
13 information is not used or further disclosed for any other purpose; or

14 (F) to a third party if the operator contractually prohibits the third
15 party from using any covered information for any purpose other than providing
16 the contracted service to or on behalf of the operator, prohibits the third party
17 from disclosing any covered information provided by the operator to
18 subsequent third parties, and requires the third party to implement and
19 maintain reasonable security procedures and practices.

1 (b) This section does not prohibit an operator’s use of information for
2 maintaining, developing, supporting, improving, or diagnosing the operator’s
3 site, service, or application.

4 § 2443b. OPERATOR DUTIES

5 An operator shall:

6 (1) implement and maintain reasonable security procedures and
7 practices appropriate to the nature of the covered information and designed to
8 protect that covered information from unauthorized access, destruction, use,
9 modification, or disclosure;

10 (2) delete, within a reasonable time period and to the extent practicable,
11 a student’s covered information if the school or school district requests
12 deletion of covered information under the control of the school or school
13 district, unless a student or his or her parent or legal guardian consents to the
14 maintenance of the covered information; and

15 (3) publicly disclose and provide the school with material information
16 about its collection, use, and disclosure of covered information, including
17 publishing a term of service agreement, privacy policy, or similar document.

18 § 2443c. PERMISSIVE USE OR DISCLOSURE

19 An operator may use or disclose covered information of a student under the
20 following circumstances:

1 (1) if other provisions of federal or State law require the operator to
2 disclose the information and the operator complies with the requirements of
3 federal and State law in protecting and disclosing that information;

4 (2) for legitimate research purposes as required by State or federal law
5 and subject to the restrictions under applicable State and federal law or as
6 allowed by State or federal law and under the direction of a school, school
7 district, or the State Board of Education if the covered information is not used
8 for advertising or to amass a profile on the student for purposes other than for
9 PreK–12 school purposes; and

10 (3) disclosure to a State or local educational agency, including schools
11 and school districts, for PreK–12 school purposes as permitted by State or
12 federal law.

13 § 2443d. OPERATOR ACTIONS THAT ARE NOT PROHIBITED

14 This subchapter does not prohibit an operator from doing any of the
15 following:

16 (1) using covered information to improve educational products if that
17 information is not associated with an identified student within the operator’s
18 site, service, or application or other sites, services, or applications owned by
19 the operator;

1 (2) using covered information that is not associated with an identified
2 student to demonstrate the effectiveness of the operator’s products or services,
3 including in their marketing;

4 (3) sharing covered information that is not associated with an identified
5 student for the development and improvement of educational sites, services, or
6 applications;

7 (4) using recommendation engines to recommend to a student either of
8 the following:

9 (A) additional content relating to an educational, other learning, or
10 employment opportunity purpose within an online site, service, or application
11 if the recommendation is not determined in whole or in part by payment or
12 other consideration from a third party; or

13 (B) additional services relating to an educational, other learning, or
14 employment opportunity purpose within an online site, service, or application
15 if the recommendation is not determined in whole or in part by payment or
16 other consideration from a third party; and

17 (5) responding to a student’s request for information or for feedback
18 without the information or response being determined in whole or in part by
19 payment or other consideration from a third party.

20 § 2443e. APPLICABILITY

21 This subchapter does not:

1 (1) limit the authority of a law enforcement agency to obtain any content
2 or information from an operator as authorized by law or under a court order;

3 (2) limit the ability of an operator to use student data, including covered
4 information, for adaptive learning or customized student learning purposes;

5 (3) apply to general audience Internet websites, general audience online
6 services, general audience online applications, or general audience mobile
7 applications, even if login credentials created for an operator’s site, service, or
8 application may be used to access those general audience sites, services, or
9 applications;

10 (4) limit service providers from providing Internet connectivity to
11 schools or students and their families;

12 (5) prohibit an operator of an Internet website, online service, online
13 application, or mobile application from marketing educational products
14 directly to parents if the marketing did not result from the use of covered
15 information obtained by the operator through the provision of services covered
16 under this subchapter;

17 (6) impose a duty upon a provider of an electronic store, gateway,
18 marketplace, or other means of purchasing or downloading software or
19 applications to review or enforce compliance with this subchapter on those
20 applications or software;

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