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**Act No. 17 (H.195). Crimes and criminal procedures; law enforcement**

**An act relating to use of facial recognition technology by law enforcement in cases involving sexual exploitation of children**

This act creates an exception to the moratorium imposed in 2020 on the use of facial recognition technology by law enforcement during a criminal investigation, allowing such technology when it pertains to an investigation into sexual exploitation of children under 13 V.S.A. chapter 64.

Effective Date: May 4, 2021