

# SENATE BILL 855

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By: **Senator Getty**

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Assigned to: Rules

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Carroll County – Public Schools – Collection of Biometric Information from**  
3 **Students – Prohibited**

4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting ~~a county board~~ the Carroll County Board of Education  
5 or a person subject to the direction and control of the county board from  
6 collecting biometric information from students enrolled in a public school;  
7 defining a certain term; and generally relating to ~~the collection of~~ prohibiting  
8 the Carroll County Board of Education from collecting biometric information  
9 from students enrolled in public schools.

10 BY adding to

11 Article – Education

12 Section 7–435

13 Annotated Code of Maryland

14 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
16 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

17 **Article – Education**

18 **7–435.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1           **(A) IN THIS SECTION, “COLLECT BIOMETRIC INFORMATION” MEANS**  
2 **THE NONINVASIVE ELECTRONIC MEASUREMENT AND EVALUATION OF ANY**  
3 **PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS THAT ARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO A SINGLE**  
4 **INDIVIDUAL, INCLUDING:**

5                   **(1) FINGERPRINT CHARACTERISTICS;**

6                   **(2) VOCAL CHARACTERISTICS;**

7                   **(3) FACIAL CHARACTERISTICS; AND**

8                   **(4) ANY OTHER PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS USED FOR THE**  
9 **PURPOSE OF ELECTRONICALLY IDENTIFYING THAT INDIVIDUAL WITH A HIGH**  
10 **DEGREE OF CERTAINTY.**

11           **(B) ~~A~~ IN CARROLL COUNTY, THE COUNTY BOARD OR A PERSON**  
12 **SUBJECT TO THE DIRECTION AND CONTROL OF THE COUNTY BOARD MAY NOT**  
13 **COLLECT BIOMETRIC INFORMATION FROM ANY STUDENT ENROLLED IN A**  
14 **PUBLIC SCHOOL.**

15           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
16 October 1, 2013.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.