

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2023 and 2024

HB3204

Introduced 2/17/2023, by Rep. Tony M. McCombie

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

740 ILCS 14/20

Amends the Biometric Information Privacy Act. Requires an aggrieved person to commence an action for a violation of the Act within one year of (i) the date of the violation or (ii) the date on which the aggrieved person discovers the violation.

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AN ACT concerning civil law.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Biometric Information Privacy Act is 5 amended by changing Section 20 as follows:

6 (740 ILCS 14/20)

7 Sec. 20. Right of action.

8 <u>(a)</u> Any person aggrieved by a violation of this Act shall 9 have a right of action in a State circuit court or as a 10 supplemental claim in federal district court against an 11 offending party. A prevailing party may recover for each 12 violation:

(1) against a private entity that negligently violates
a provision of this Act, liquidated damages of \$1,000 or
actual damages, whichever is greater;

16 (2) against a private entity that intentionally or
17 recklessly violates a provision of this Act, liquidated
18 damages of \$5,000 or actual damages, whichever is greater;

(3) reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, including
 expert witness fees and other litigation expenses; and

21 (4) other relief, including an injunction, as the
22 State or federal court may deem appropriate.

23 (b) An action brought under this Section shall be

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- 1 commenced within one year of (i) the date of the violation or
- 2 (ii) the date on which the aggrieved person discovers the
- 3 <u>violation</u>.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 95-994, eff. 10-3-08.)