



## **Legislation Summary: Facial Recognition Regulation**

### **An Act: An Act to implement the recommendations of the special commission on facial recognition technology**

Initial bill number: HB1728/SB927

Sponsors: Sen. Eldridge and Rep. Orlando Ramos

#### **What the bill does, why LWVMA supports or opposes it, and the League position relative to this bill.**

With this legislation, only the Registry of Motor Vehicles and the State Police will be able to possess facial recognition technology, subject to strict limitations and civil rights protections. LWVMA supports the implementation of the Special Commission recommendations, because we currently have no regulations regarding use of facial recognition technology, except for in very limited instances by the RMV and the State Police. All other public agencies are unregulated regarding possession and use of this technology.

The League of Women Voters believes in the individual liberties guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States. The League is convinced that individual rights now protected by the Constitution should not be weakened or abridged. This technology is used without prior knowledge or consent and is not revealed in trial discovery processes.

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