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### Biometrics Fact Sheet

- There is a growing trend for companies and organizations to use biometric data as a means of identifying individuals. By giving personal biometric information, like fingerprints, iris scans, or facial images, a person gives away highly personal, traceable information.
- Passports, identification cards, and social security cards can be used to travel abroad, identify oneself in court, and a plethora of other activities. These should be suitable checks of identification.
- Organizations that collect biometric data routinely sell that data to third parties, without our consent.
- There is no doubt biometric data can be extremely helpful in fields such as medicine and security, but we should never be forced to give up such personal identification. This bill does not ban biometrics, but bans their use without our consent.