

**Department of Planning and Budget
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ORIGINAL

Bill Number: HB971ER

Patron: Price

Bill Title: College student-athletes; biometric data; protections and limitations.

Bill Summary: Prohibits any private institution of higher education, associate-degree-granting public institution of higher education, or baccalaureate public institution of higher education in the Commonwealth from disclosing to any individual or entity outside of the institution any enrolled student-athlete's biometric data, as defined in the bill, without the prior written consent of the student-athlete. The bill also prohibits any individual or entity from making the possession, use, or ownership of or the rights to any student-athlete's biometric data a condition of any contract with the student-athlete for the use of the student-athlete's name, image, or likeness without the prior written consent of the student-athlete in a writing that is separate and apart from such contract.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No

Items Impacted: None

Explanation: N/A

Fiscal Summary: Responding public institutions of higher education indicate there will be no fiscal impact as a result of this bill.

Other: None