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1 SENATE BILL NO. 351 2 INTRODUCED BY D. ZOLNIKOV 3 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO BIOMETRIC PRIVACY; 4 5 CREATING THE GENETIC INFORMATION PRIVACY ACT; REQUIRING A COMPANY TO PROVIDE 6 CONSUMER INFORMATION REGARDING THE COLLECTION, USE, AND DISCLOSURE OF GENETIC 7 DATA; PROVIDING FOR LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS; PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT 8 AUTHORITY; AND PROVIDING DEFINITIONS." 9 10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA: 11 NEW SECTION. Section 1. Short title. [Sections 1 through 6] may be cited as the "Genetic 12 13 Information Privacy Act". 14 NEW SECTION. Section 2. Definitions. As used in [sections 1 through 6], unless the context clearly 15 16 indicates otherwise, the following definitions apply: 17 (1) "Biological sample" means any human material knows to contain DNA, including tissue, blood, 18 urine, or saliva. 19 (2) (a) "Company" means an entity that: 20 (i) offers consumer genetic testing products or services directly to a consumer; or 21 (ii) collects, uses, or analyzes genetic data that resulted from a direct to consumer genetic testing 22 product or service and was provided to the company by a consumer for a commercial purpose. 23 The term does not include an entity when it is engaged only in collecting, using, or analyzing (b) 24 genetic data or biological samples in the context of research as defined in 45 CFR 164.501 conducted in 25 accordance with the federal policy for the protection of human research subjects under 45 CFR, part 46, the 26 good clinical practice guideline issued by the international council for harmonisation of technical requirements 27 for pharmaceuticals for human use, or the United States food and drug administration policy for the protection



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1 of human subjects under 21 CFR, parts 50 and 56. 2 (3) "Consumer" means an individual who is a resident of this state. 3 (4) "Deidentified data" means data that: 4 cannot be reasonably linked to an identifiable individual; and (a) 5 is possessed by a company that: (b) 6 (i) takes administrative and technical measures to ensure that the data cannot be associated with 7 a particular consumer; makes a public commitment to maintain and use data in deidentified form and to not attempt to 8 (ii) 9 reidentify data; and 10 (iii) enters a legally enforceable contractual obligation that prohibits a recipient of the data from 11 attempting to reidentify the data. 12 "DNA" means deoxyribonucleic acid. (5)"Express consent" means a consumer's affirmative response to a clear, meaningful, and 13 (6) 14 prominent notice regarding the collection, use, or disclosure of genetic data for a specific purpose. (a) "Genetic data" means any data, regardless of format, concerning a consumer's genetic 15 (7) 16 characteristics. 17 The term includes but is not limited to: (b) 18 (i) raw sequence data that result from sequencing all or a portion of a consumer's extracted DNA; 19 (ii) genotypic and phenotypic information obtained from analyzing a consumer's raw sequence 20 data; and 21 (iii) self-reported health information regarding a consumer's health conditions that the consumer 22 provides to a company that the company: 23 (A) uses for scientific research or product development; and 24 (B) analyzes in connection with the consumer's raw sequence data. 25 (c) The term does not include deidentified data. 26 (8) "Genetic testing" means: 27 a laboratory test of a consumer's complete DNA, regions of DNA, chromosomes, genes, or (a)



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1 gene products to determine the presence of genetic characteristics of a consumer; or 2 (b) an interpretation of a consumer's genetic data. 3 (9)"Person" means an individual, partnership, corporation, association, business, business trust, 4 or legal representative of an organization. 5 6 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Limitations. [Sections 1 through 6] do not apply to protected health 7 information that is collected by a covered entity or business associate as those terms are defined in 45 CFR, 8 parts 160 and 164. 9 10 NEW SECTION. Section 4. Consumer genetic data -- privacy notice -- consent -- access --11 deletion -- destruction. To safeguard the privacy, confidentiality, security, and integrity of a consumer's 12 genetic data, a company shall: provide clear and complete information regarding the company's policies and procedures for 13 (1) 14 the collection, use, or disclosure of genetic data by making available to a consumer: 15 a high-level privacy policy overview that includes basic, essential information about the (a) 16 company's collection, use, or disclosure of genetic data; and 17 a prominent, publicly available privacy notice that includes, at a minimum, information about the 18 company's data collection, consent, use, access, disclosure, transfer, security, and retention and deletion 19 practices; 20 obtain a consumer's initial express consent for the collection, use, or disclosure of the (2) consumer's genetic data that: 21 22 (a) clearly describes the company's use of the genetic data that the company collects through the 23 company's genetic testing product or service; 24 (b) specifies who has access to test results; and 25 (c) specifies how the company may share the genetic data; 26 (3) if the company engages in any of the following, obtain a consumer's: 27 (a) separate express consent for:



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1 (i) the transfer or disclosure of the consumer's genetic data to any person other than the 2 company's vendors and service providers; 3 (ii) the use of genetic data beyond the primary purpose of the company's genetic testing product or 4 service and inherent contextual uses; or 5 the company's retention of any biological sample provided by the consumer following the (iii) 6 company's completion of the initial testing service requested by the consumer; 7 informed consent in accordance with the federal policy for the protection of human research (b) 8 subjects under 45 CFR, part 46, for transfer or disclosure of the consumer's genetic data to third party persons 9 for: 10 (i) research purposes; or 11 (ii) research conducted under the control of the company for the purpose of publication or 12 generalizable knowledge; and 13 (c) express consent for: 14 (i) marketing to a consumer based on the consumer's genetic data; or 15 (ii) marketing by a third-party person to a consumer based on the consumer having ordered or 16 purchased a genetic testing product or service. Marketing does not include the provision of customized content 17 or offers on the websites or through the applications or services provided by the company with the first-party 18 relationship to the customer. 19 (4) comply with the provisions of 44-6-104 requiring a valid legal process for disclosing genetic 20 data to law enforcement or any other government agency without a consumer's express written consent; 21 (5) develop, implement, and maintain a comprehensive security program to protect a consumer's 22 genetic data against unauthorized access, use, or disclosure; and 23 (6) provide a process for a consumer to: 24 (a) access the consumer's genetic data; 25 (b) delete the consumer's genetic data; and 26 (c) request and obtain the destruction of the consumer's biological sample. 27 Genetic data of Montana residents or biometric data collected in the state must be stored within (7)



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1	the territorial boundaries of the United States.	
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3	NEW	SECTION. Section 5. Disclosure when prohibited when written consent required. (1)
4	The disclosure	e of genetic data pursuant to [sections 1 through 6] must comply with all state and federal laws for
5	the protection	of privacy and security.
6	(2)	[Sections 1 through 6] may not apply to protected health information that is collected by a
7	covered entity or business associate governed by the privacy, security, and breach notification rules issued by	
8	the:	
9	(a)	United States department of health and human services, 45 CFR, parts 160 and 164,
10	established pursuant to the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996; and	
11	(b)	federal Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act of 2009.
12	(3)	Notwithstanding any other provisions in [section 4], a company may HAS THE SOLE AUTHORITY TO
13	not disclose a consumer's genetic data to any entity offering health insurance, life insurance, or long-term care	
14	insurance, or	to any employer of the consumer without the consumer's written consent.
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16	<u>NEW</u>	SECTION. Section 6. Enforcement. (1) The attorney general may enforce [sections 1 through
17	6].	
18	(2)	The attorney general may initiate a civil enforcement action against a person for violation of
19	[sections 1 through 6].	
20	(3)	In an action to enforce [sections 1 through 6], the attorney general may recover:
21	(a)	actual damages to the consumer;
22	(b)	costs;
23	(c)	reasonable attorney fees; and
24	(d)	\$2,500 for each violation of [section 4].
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26	NEW	SECTION. Section 7. Codification instruction. [Sections 1 through 6] are intended to be
27	codified as an integral part of Title 30, and the provisions of Title 30 apply to [sections 1 through 6].	



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