



**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES**

Facial Recognition
Federal Immigration Enforcement Requests
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INTRODUCTION

On or before June 1, 2023, and each June 1 thereafter, the Motor Vehicle Administration, the Department of State Police, and the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services shall, with respect to requests from Federal agencies seeking access for the purpose of federal immigration enforcement for personal information, a photograph of an individual, or a facial recognition search, whether or not the request was initiated through a state or local law enforcement agency, report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, the following information for the immediately preceding calendar year:

- (i) The number of requests received from any federal agency for personal information, a photograph of an individual, or a facial recognition search;
- (ii) The number of requests received from any federal agency for personal information, a photograph of an individual, or a facial recognition search for which a valid warrant issued by a federal court or a court of this State was provided;
- (iii) The number and purpose of facial recognition searches completed for any federal agency based on personal information or a photograph of an individual provided to the federal agency by the Motor Vehicle Administration, the Department of State Police, or the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services; and
- (iv) The number of individuals whose personal information or photograph was provided to any federal agency by agency, respectively, the Motor Vehicle Administration, the Department of State Police, and the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.

The Department has the following information to provide in response to the reporting requirement:

- (i) The number of requests received from any federal agency for personal information, a photograph of an individual, or a facial recognition search;

Response: One request was received from a federal agency

- (ii) The number of requests received from any federal agency for personal information, a photograph of an individual, or a facial recognition search for which a valid warrant issued by a federal court or a court of this State was provided;

Response: Zero

- (iii) The number and purpose of facial recognition searches completed for any federal agency based on personal information or a photograph of an individual provided to the federal agency by the Motor Vehicle Administration, the Department of State Police, or the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services

Response: Two searches were completed under one request

- (iv) The number of individuals whose personal information or photograph was provided to any federal agency by agency, respectively, the Motor Vehicle Administration, the Department of State Police, and the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.

Response: Two searches were completed with results delivered to the federal agency