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## What's going on?

Voice users are claiming that their employers did not adequately inform them of how their speech recognition files would be used and stored, violating a Biometric Information Privacy Act (BIPA).

# Where has this happened?

PetSmart agreed to a \$425,000 settlement with their warehouse workers who were using Honeywell voice technology.

Whole Foods settled for \$300,000.

Another grocery chain is facing a lawsuit now.

#### What should we do?

It's important to work with your legal counsel and human relations teams on how best to comply with BIPA. Mountain Leverage has provided a flyer (attached here) that you should review internally and begin forming your plan.

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### **Related Videos From Mountain Leverage:**

The Economics of BIPA and What to Know If You're an Employer

Data Privacy Lawyer: Breakdown of BIPA, GIPA, and More for Employers

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#### **Attachments**

• ML BIPA Flyer - updated 3.4.24.pdf (279.60 KB)