

## 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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#### SB3000

Introduced 1/20/2006, by Sen. Peter J. Roskam - Dave Syverson - Larry K. Bomke - Christine Radogno

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

815 ILCS 505/2RR

Amends the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act. Prohibits a person from requiring an individual's social security number in order for the individual to obtain a service, including, but not limited to, the provision of satellite television and wireless telecommunications service, unless the person: (i) presents the individual with a written notice stating that the individual's social security number will be used only for purposes of conducting a credit check and detailing all of the measures that the person has taken to protect the individual's social security number; and (ii) provides an alternative to provision of the individual's social security number as a requirement for service, such as requiring a higher security deposit amount. Prohibits the use of an individual's social security number as a personal identification number or account number.

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AN ACT concerning business.

# 2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business
Practices Act is amended by changing and re-numbering Section
2QQ as follows:

7 (815 ILCS 505/2RR)

8 (This Section may contain text from a Public Act with a 9 delayed effective date)

10 Sec. <u>2RR</u> <del>2QQ</del>. Use of Social Security numbers.

11 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Section, a person 12 may not do any of the following:

(1) Publicly post or publicly display in any manner an
individual's social security number. As used in this
Section, "publicly post" or "publicly display" means to
intentionally communicate or otherwise make available to
the general public.

(2) Print an individual's social security number on any
card required for the individual to access products or
services provided by the person or entity; however, a
person or entity that provides an insurance card must print
on the card an identification number unique to the holder
of the card in the format prescribed by Section 15 of the
Uniform Prescription Drug Information Card Act.

(3) Require an individual to transmit his or her social
security number over the Internet, unless the connection is
secure or the social security number is encrypted.

(4) Require an individual to use his or her social
security number to access an Internet web site, unless a
password or unique personal identification number or other
authentication device is also required to access the
Internet Web site.

1 (5) Print an individual's social security number on any 2 materials that are mailed to the individual, unless State 3 or federal law requires the social security number to be on the document to be mailed. Notwithstanding any provision in 4 5 this Section to the contrary, social security numbers may 6 included in applications and forms sent by mail, be 7 including documents sent as part of an application or enrollment process or to establish, amend, or terminate an 8 9 account, contract, or policy or to confirm the accuracy of 10 the social security number. A social security number that 11 may permissibly be mailed under this Section may not be 12 printed, in whole or in part, on a postcard or other mailer that does not require an envelope or be visible on an 13 envelope or visible without the envelope having been 14 15 opened.

16 (6) Require an individual's social security number in 17 order for the individual to obtain a service, including, but not limited to, the provision of satellite television 18 and wireless telecommunications service, unless the 19 20 person: (i) presents the individual with a written notice stating that the individual's social security number will 21 be used only for purposes of conducting a credit check and 22 detailing all of the measures that the person has taken to 23 protect the individual's social security number; and (ii) 24 provides an alternative to provision of the individual's 25 social security number as a requirement for service, such 26 27 as requiring a higher security deposit amount.

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(7) Use an individual's social security number as a personal identification number or account number.

30 (b) A person that used, before July 1, 2005, an 31 individual's social security number in a manner inconsistent 32 with subsection (a) may continue using that individual's social 33 security number in the same manner on or after July 1, 2005 if 34 all of the following conditions are met:

35 (1) The use of the social security number is
 36 continuous. If the use is stopped for any reason,

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1 subsection (a) shall apply.

(2) The individual is provided an annual disclosure that informs the individual that he or she has the right to stop the use of his or her social security number in a manner prohibited by subsection (a).

A written request by an individual to stop the use of his or her social security number in a manner prohibited by subsection (a) shall be implemented within 30 days of the receipt of the request. There shall be no fee or charge for implementing the request. A person shall not deny services to an individual because the individual makes such a written request.

(c) This Section does not apply to the collection, use, or 13 release of a social security number as required by State or 14 15 federal law or the use of a social security number for internal 16 verification or administrative purposes. This Section does not 17 apply to the collection, use, or release of a social security number by the State, a subdivision of the State, or an 18 19 individual in the employ of the State or a subdivision of the 20 State in connection with his or her official duties.

(d) This Section does not apply to documents that are recorded or required to be open to the public under State or federal law, applicable case law, Supreme Court Rule, or the Constitution of the State of Illinois.

(e) If a federal law takes effect requiring the United
States Department of Health and Human Services to establish a
national unique patient health identifier program, any person
who complies with the federal law shall be deemed to be in
compliance with this Section.

(f) A person may not encode or embed a social security number in or on a card or document, including, but not limited to, using a bar code, chip, magnetic strip, or other technology, in place of removing the social security number as required by this Section.

35 (g) Any person who violates this Section commits an36 unlawful practice within the meaning of this Act.

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Section 95. No acceleration or delay. Where this Act makes changes in a statute that is represented in this Act by text that is not yet or no longer in effect (for example, a Section represented by multiple versions), the use of that text does not accelerate or delay the taking effect of (i) the changes made by this Act or (ii) provisions derived from any other Public Act.