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A BILL FOR AN ACT

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RELATING TO PROTECTION FROM SECURITY BREACHES.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The privacy and financial security of
- 2 individuals is increasingly at risk due to the widespread
- 3 collection of personal information by the private sector and
- 4 government agencies. Numerous sources include personal
- 5 information that forms the source material for identity thieves.
- 6 Identity theft is one of the fastest growing crimes
- 7 committed throughout the United States, including Hawaii.
- 8 Criminals who steal personal information, such as social
- 9 security numbers, use the information to open credit card
- 10 accounts, write bad checks, buy cars, and commit other financial
- 11 crimes with other people's identities.
- The purpose of this Act is to alleviate the growing plague
- 13 of identity theft by requiring businesses and government
- 14 agencies that maintain records containing resident individuals'
- 15 personal information to notify an individual whenever the
- 16 individual's personal information has been compromised by
- 17 unauthorized disclosure.

1	SECTION 2. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by
. 2	adding to title 26 a new chapter to be appropriately designated
3	and to read as follows:
4	"CHAPTER
5	NOTIFICATION OF SECURITY BREACHES
6	§ -1 Definitions. As used in this chapter, unless the
7	context otherwise requires:
8	"Business" means a sole proprietorship, partnership,
9	corporation, association, or other group, however organized, and
10	whether or not organized to operate at a profit. The term
11	includes a financial institution organized, chartered, or
12	holding a license or authorization certificate under the laws of
13	the State, any other state, the United States, or any other
14	country, or the parent or the subsidiary of any such financial
15	institution. The term also includes an entity whose business is
16	records destruction.
17	"Encryption" means the use of an algorithmic process to
18	transform data into a form in which the data is rendered
19	unreadable or unusable without the use of a confidential process

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or key.

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1	"Government agency" means any department, division, board,		
2	commission, public corporation, or other agency or		
3	instrumentality of the State or of any county.		
4	"Personal information" means an individual's first name or		
5	first initial and last name in combination with any one or more		
6	of the following data elements, when either the name or the data		
7	elements are not encrypted:		
8	(1) Social security number;		
9	(2) Driver's license number or Hawaii identification card		
10	number; or		
11	(3) Account number, credit or debit card number, access		
12	code, or password that would permit access to an		
13	individual's financial account.		
14	"Personal information" does not include publicly available		
15	information that is lawfully made available to the general		
16	public from federal, state, or local government records.		
17	"Records" means any material on which written, drawn,		
18	spoken, visual, or electromagnetic information is recorded or		
19	preserved, regardless of physical form or characteristics.		
20	"Redacted" means the rendering of data so that it is		

unreadable or is truncated so that no more than the last four

- 1 digits of the identification number are accessible as part of
- 2 the data.
- 3 "Security breach" means an incident of unauthorized access
- 4 to and acquisition of unencrypted or unredacted records or data
- 5 containing personal information where illegal use of the
- 6 personal information has occurred, or is reasonably likely to
- 7 occur and that creates a risk of harm to a person. Any incident
- 8 of unauthorized access to and acquisition of encrypted records
- 9 or data containing personal information along with the
- 10 confidential process or key constitutes a security breach. Good
- 11 faith acquisition of personal information by an employee or
- 12 agent of the business for a legitimate purpose is not a security
- 13 breach; provided that the personal information is not used for a
- 14 purpose other than a lawful purpose of the business and is not
- 15 subject to further unauthorized disclosure.
- 16 § -2 Notice of security breach. (a) Any business that
- 17 owns or licenses personal information of residents of Hawaii,
- 18 any business that conducts business in Hawaii that owns or
- 19 licenses personal information in any form (whether computerized,
- 20 paper, or otherwise), or any government agency that collects
- 21 personal information for specific government purposes shall
- 22 provide notice to the affected person that there has been a

- 1 security breach following discovery or notification of the
- 2 breach. The disclosure notification shall be made without
- 3 unreasonable delay, consistent with the legitimate needs of law
- 4 enforcement as provided in subsection (c) of this section, and
- 5 consistent with any measures necessary to determine sufficient
- 6 contact information, determine the scope of the breach, and
- 7 restore the reasonable integrity, security, and confidentiality
- 8 of the data system.
- 9 (b) Any business located in Hawaii or any business that
- 10 conducts business in Hawaii that maintains or possesses records
- 11 or data containing personal information of residents of Hawaii
- 12 that the business does not own or license, or any government
- 13 agency that maintains or possesses records or data containing
- 14 personal information of residents of Hawaii shall notify the
- 15 owner or licensee of the information of any security breach
- 16 immediately following discovery of the breach, consistent with
- 17 the legitimate needs of law enforcement as provided in
- 18 subsection (c).
- 19 (c) The notice required by this section shall be delayed
- 20 if a law enforcement agency informs the business or government
- 21 agency that notification may impede a criminal investigation or
- 22 jeopardize national security and requests a delay; provided that

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1	such request is made in writing, or the business or government		
2	agency documents the request contemporaneously in writing,		
3	including the name of the law enforcement officer making the		
4	request and the officer's law enforcement agency engaged in the		
5	investigation. The notice required by this section shall be		
6	provided without unreasonable delay after the law enforcement		
7	agency communicates to the business or government agency its		
8	determination that notice will no longer impede the		
9	investigation	n or jeopardize national security.	
10	(d) The	e notice shall be clear and conspicuous. The notice	
11	shall include	e a description of the following:	
12	(1) The	e incident in general terms;	
13	(2) The	e type of personal information that was subject to	
14	the	e unauthorized access and acquisition;	
15	(3) The	e general acts of the business or government agency	
16	to	protect the personal information from further	
17	una	authorized access;	
18	(4) A t	telephone number that the person may call for	
19	fui	rther information and assistance, if one exists; and	
20	(5) Adv	vice that directs the person to remain vigilant by	
21	rev	riewing account statements and monitoring free	
22	cre	edit reports.	

1	(e)	For purposes of this section, notice to affected
2	persons m	ay be provided by one of the following methods:
3	(1)	Written notice to the last available address the
4	•	business or government agency has on record;
5	(2)	Electronic mail notice, for those persons for whom a
6		business or government agency has a valid electronic
7		mail address and who have agreed to receive
8		communications electronically if the notice provided
9		is consistent with the provisions regarding electronic
10		records and signatures for notices legally required to
11		be in writing set forth in 15 U.S.C. Section 7001;
12	(3)	Telephonic notice, provided that contact is made
13		directly with the affected persons; and
14	(4)	Substitute notice, if the business or government
15		agency demonstrates that the cost of providing notice
16		would exceed \$100,000 or that the affected class of
17		subject persons to be notified exceeds two hundred
18		thousand, or if the business or government agency does
19		not have sufficient contact information or consent to
20		satisfy paragraph (1), (2), or (3), for only those
21		affected persons without sufficient contact

information or consent, or if the business or

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1	government agency is unable to identify particular
2	affected persons, for only those unidentifiable
3	affected persons. Substitute notice shall consist of
. 4	all the following:
5	(A) Electronic mail notice when the business or
6	government agency has an electronic mail address
7	for the subject persons;
8	(B) Conspicuous posting of the notice on the website
9	page of the business or government agency, if one
10	is maintained; and
11	(C) Notification to major statewide media.
12	(f) In the event a business provides notice to more than
13	one thousand persons at one time pursuant to this section, the
14	business shall notify in writing, without unreasonable delay,
15	the State of Hawaii's office of consumer protection and all
16	consumer reporting agencies that compile and maintain files on
17	consumers on a nationwide basis, as defined in 15 U.S.C. Section
18	1681a(p), of the timing, distribution, and content of the
19	notice.
20	(g) The following businesses shall be deemed to be in
21	compliance with this section:

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2		Interagency Guidance on Response Programs for
3		Unauthorized Access to Consumer Information and
4		Customer Notice published in the Federal Register on
5		March 29, 2005 by the Board of Governors of the
6		Federal Reserve System, the Federal Deposit Insurance
7	1	Corporation, the Office of the Comptroller of the
8		Currency, and the Office of Thrift Supervision, or
9		subject to 12 C.F.R. Part 748, and any revisions,
10		additions, or substitutions relating to said
11	•	interagency guidance; and
12	(2)	Any health plan or healthcare provider that is subject
13		to and in compliance with the standards for privacy or
14		individually identifiable health information and the
15		security standards for the protection of electronic
16		health information of the Health Insurance Portability
17		and Accountability Act of 1996.
18	(h):	Any waiver of the provisions of this section is
19	contrary	to public policy and is void and unenforceable.

-3 Penalties; civil action. (a) Any business that

violates any provision of this chapter shall be subject to

penalties of not more than \$2,500 for each violation.

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- 1 attorney general or the executive director of the office of
- 2 consumer protection may bring an action pursuant to this
- 3 section. No such action may be brought against a government
- 4 agency.
- 5 (b) In addition to any penalty provided for in subsection
- 6 (a), any business that violates any provision of this chapter
- 7 shall be liable to the injured party in an amount equal to the
- 8 sum of any actual damages sustained by the injured party as a
- 9 result of the violation. The court in any action brought under
- 10 this section may award reasonable attorneys' fees to the
- 11 prevailing party. No such action may be brought against a
- 12 government agency.
- 13 (c) The penalties provided in this section shall be
- 14 cumulative to the remedies or penalties available under all
- 15 other laws of this State.
- 16 § -4 Reporting requirements. A government agency shall
- 17 submit a written report to the legislature within twenty days
- 18 after discovery of a security breach at the government agency
- 19 that details information relating to the nature of the breach,
- 20 the number of individuals affected by the breach, a copy of the
- 21 notice of security breach that was issued, the number of
- 22 individuals to whom the notice was sent, whether the notice was

- 1 delayed due to law enforcement considerations, and any
- 2 procedures that have been implemented to prevent the breach from
- 3 reoccurring. In the event that a law enforcement agency informs
- 4 the government agency that notification may impede a criminal
- 5 investigation or jeopardize national security, the report to the
- 6 legislature may be delayed until twenty days after the law
- 7 enforcement agency has determined that notice will no longer
- 8 impede the investigation or jeopardize national security."
- 9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2007.

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Approved this day: MAY 2 5 2006

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2006 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006.

President of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2006 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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Speaker, House of Representatives

Clerk, House of Representatives