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Attorney General Moody's Week In Review - Aug. 23, 2019



This week, we issued a Consumer Alert about scams targeting victims of the Equifax data breach, the largest credit-reporting data breach in our nation's history—affecting more than half of the adults in the country.

Following a multistate investigation, my office entered into [a historic \\$600 million settlement](#) over failed security measures that exposed the personal information of millions. Our settlement requires Equifax to pay victims through a claims process.

A website is in place to expedite claims, and already scammers are trying exploit the process. They are sending phishing emails to drive potential victims to a fake claims page. The page asks for Social Security numbers and other personal data.

DON'T FALL FOR THIS SCAM.

To file a claim, go directly to the official claims page: EquifaxBreachSettlement.com. This site will allow you to file online or download a form to file through the mail.

Here are some more tips to help you avoid the Equifax Phishing Scam:

- File now. By going directly to the website and taking action now, you are less susceptible to any future claims scams;
- The claims process is free, so be wary of any site requiring a filing fee; and
- Finally, don't respond to any messages or click on any links directing you to a claims website.

For more tips, see the full Consumer Alert by clicking [here](#). And remember, educating yourself about the latest scams and taking steps to avoid falling victim will help us build a stronger, safer Florida.



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