Attorney General Moody's Week in Review - July 19, 2024



This week, we kicked off our 2024 Summer Scams Series: Sunny Days and Shady Deals edition with a warning about online sales scams.

It is common for online retailers to offer special deals and discounts during the summer months.

This can create a flood of online traffic and wherever money is being spent, scammers are usually there for a piece of the action.

They impersonate major brands by setting up imposter websites to trick people into sharing sensitive information. Scammers also send phishing messages containing malware, and once a target clicks the link, their information is compromised.

We created a resource to help people avoid summer shopping schemes—called *Scams at a Glance: E-Commerce Cons*.

In it, you will find the following tips:

- Ensure the website is legitimate and not a spoofed "look-alike;"
- Never click on links in solicitations;
- Know that if the deal is too good to be true, it probably is;
- Pay with credit cards that offer additional consumer protection; and
- Avoid buying from sellers who request payment from a third-party source.

To learn more about *Scams at a Glance: E-Commerce Cons*, click <u>here</u>. To access *Scams at a Glance: E-Commerce Cons* in Spanish, click <u>here</u>.

You can report online shopping scams or other fraudulent activity at 1(866) 9NO-SCAM.

By staying vigilant, you can take advantage of summer sales securely and help us build a Stronger, Safer Florida.

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Attorney General Ashley Moody announced the 2024 Florida School Resource Officer of the Year, Columbia County Sheriff Deputy Scott Ceckanowicz.

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Attorney General Moody and Coalition Call on US Senate to Pass SAVE Act to Ensure Only Americans Vote in American Elections



Attorney General Ashley Moody and a coalition of state attorneys general called on the United States Senate to pass the Safeguard American Voter Eligibility Act, or the SAVE Act, to ensure election integrity by protecting United States elections from illegal voters.

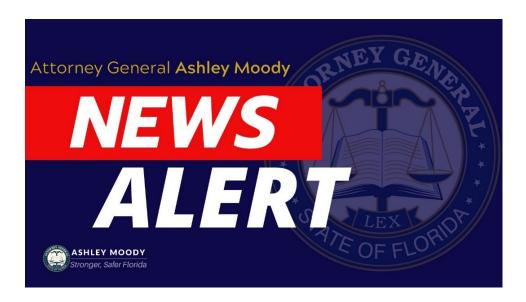
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According to the Federal Trade Commission, scams involving prizes, sweepstakes and lotteries caused nearly \$340 million in financial losses to consumers last year and were the third-most commonly reported scam across the nation.

ACC to Provide Secretive Media Rights Contracts at Center of FSU Lawsuit Following Action from Attorney General Moody



The ACC capitulation follows legal action from Attorney General Moody demanding the conference make the contracts public in accordance with Florida's Public Records Act.