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## **Attorney General Moody's Week in Review - Nov. 22, 2024**



As International Fraud Awareness Week comes to an end, we are sharing tips to help Floridians avoid falling victim to common schemes.

Last year, consumers nationwide reported losing more than \$10 billion to fraud — an increase of more than \$1 billion over the previous year.

To guard against fraud, Floridians should follow these tips:

- Beware of high-pressure solicitations and too good to be true offers;
- Check account statements regularly;
- Use credit cards for transactions online; and
- Create strong, unique passwords for financial accounts.

Our office has two consumer-related programs to help Floridians learn about common and emerging scams. Consumer Alerts are packed full of information about new and emerging scams. Scams at a Glance Program resources are free, easy to share guides with tips to avoid common schemes.

Check out both of these resources and more at [MyFloridaLegal.com](https://www.myfloridalegal.com).

By knowing how to avoid fraud, you can protect your finances and help us build a Stronger, Safer Florida.

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## **In The News**

**Ashley Moody joins 31 states in urging Congress to pass Kids Online Safety Act by year's end, Florida's Voice**

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**Florida AG Office Charges Tax Preparer with Money Laundering, Fraud for Stealing from Seniors, Florida Daily**

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**Massive retail theft ring busted in Palm Beach Co.: 2 suspects arrested, one on the run, CBS 12 West Palm Beach**

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**Florida Attorney General Urges Congress to Pass Kids Online Safety Act, NewsBreak**

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**Ashley Moody sues FEMA leadership for discriminating against homeowners with Donald Trump signs, Florida Politics**

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**AG urges Congress to pass Kids Online Safety Act, Gulf Breeze News**

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**Broward tax preparer used credit card fraud scheme to steal from seniors: AG, NBC6 South Florida**

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**Florida sues FEMA officials over alleged discrimination against Trump supporters, ABC 7 Sarasota**

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## Protecting Floridians

**Attorney General Moody and Multistate Coalition Urge Congress to Pass Kids Online Safety Act**



Attorney General Ashley Moody is fighting to protect children online. Attorney General Moody, along with 31 other attorneys general, is urging Congress to pass the bipartisan Kids Online Safety Act, crucial legislation that protects children from online harm, before the end of the year.

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**VIDEO: Attorney General Moody Issues Tips to Help Floridians Avoid Falling Victim to Fraudulent Schemes on Utility Scam Awareness Day**



Attorney General Ashley Moody is recognizing Utility Scam Awareness Day by issuing tips to help Floridians avoid falling victim to fraudulent schemes.

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**AG Moody's Statewide Prosecutors Charge Members of Organized Retail Theft Ring for Committing More Than 35 Thefts in South Florida**



Attorney General Ashley Moody's Office of Statewide Prosecution is charging three members of an organized crime ring with multiple felony counts for stealing from retailers in South Florida.

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**AG Moody's Office of Statewide Prosecution Charges Tax Preparer with Money Laundering and Fraud for Stealing from Seniors**

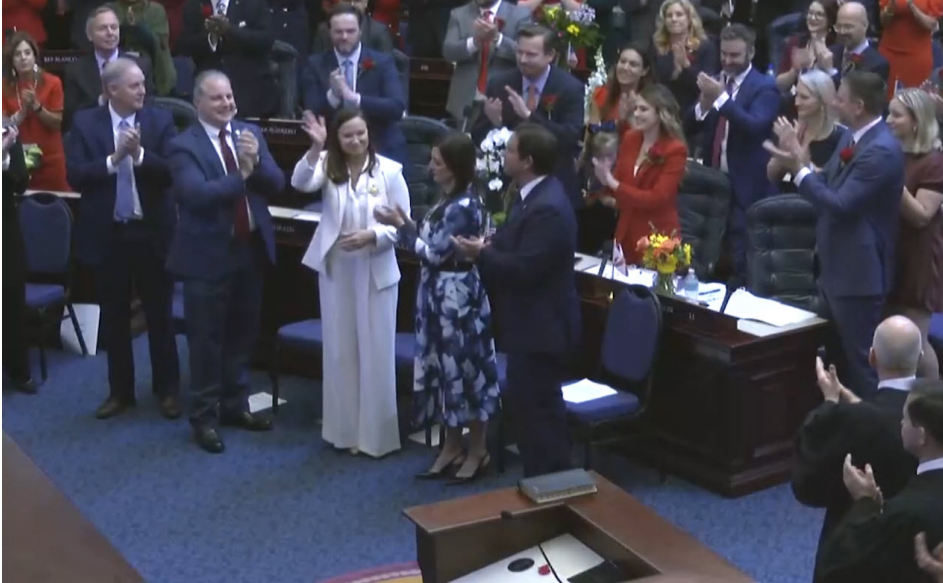


Attorney General Ashley Moody's Office of Statewide Prosecution is charging a tax preparer with multiple felony counts for scheming to defraud Floridians, many of whom are seniors.

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## Events

Attorney General Moody welcoming new and returning legislative members to the capital for the Florida Legislature's Organizational Session



AG Moody standing with Representative Buchanan to discuss holding FEMA accountable for political discrimination against Floridians.



