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It is International Fraud Awareness Week, and I am encouraging Floridians to stay up to date on the latest scams and take preventative measures to avoid falling victim.

In 2021, [the Federal Trade Commission reported](#) that a typical fraud case in Florida resulted in the loss of more than \$500. Consumers nationwide reported losing nearly \$6 billion to fraud last year—a major increase over the previous year.

My Consumer Protection Division works hard to stop scams and protect Floridians—recovering more than \$469 million since 2019. While this is great news, a key component to fighting fraud is educating consumers so they can spot and avoid these devious schemes.

Some tips for consumers:

- Check account statements regularly to ensure there are no fraudulent charges or withdrawals;
- Use credit cards for transactions for added protections;
- Be wary of suspicious solicitations, and never send personal or financial information over text or email; and
- Create strong, unique passwords for online accounts.

In addition, I want to encourage Floridians to check out our free resources online and to report suspicious activity. Our website is full of consumer-related resources designed to warn Floridians about common and emerging scams, such as Consumer Alerts and my Scams at a Glance program.

You can check out these resources at [MyFloridaLegal.com](https://www.myfloridalegal.com).

By knowing how to avoid fraud, you can guard against scams and help us build a Stronger, Safer Florida.



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