



*Seminole Financial Crimes Task Force*

**Subject:** Advice to all citizens

We advise you to place a temporary fraud alert on your accounts with the three major credit-reporting agencies by calling **1800-525-6285**. This alert will be valid for only 90 days. Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion will send you a free credit report in the mail. **PLEASE review the accounts established.** Should you find **any fraudulent accounts on your report**, we direct you to view the Federal Trade Commission site at <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0151-disputing-errors-credit-reports>. A sample letter is there to help **you write a letter requesting a fraud and freeze alert be placed on your accounts**, with the three major credit reporting agencies. Also, to dispute any fraudulent accounts. This letter needs to be sent along with **a copy of the Sheriff's/Police report** to all credit reporting agencies and merchants that had opened a fraudulent account. PLEASE send **via certified mail**.

In addition, we advise you to send that letter to the **Social Security Administration**, <http://www.ssa.gov/> **Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV)** <http://www.flhsmv.gov/> and your financial institutions, so they are aware of your biographical information had been compromised.

After three months, obtain a free report at <https://www.annualcreditreport.com/cra/index.jsp> and pull **one** credit report from a credit-reporting agency. Again wait for 3 to 4 months pull one more, then again for your last report. Repeat process for at least 2 times per year thereafter. Furthermore, please review a list of consumer reporting companies at [http://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/201604\\_cfpb\\_list-of-consumer-reporting-companies.pdf](http://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/201604_cfpb_list-of-consumer-reporting-companies.pdf).

Another helpful site we recommend is <https://www.ic3.gov>. This is more for victims of Internet related crimes but contains good information to help protect yourself. In addition, there are other reputable credit monitoring services available to consumers. In addition, you may want to check with **FDLE** for any criminal reports that may be registered with your personal biographical information at <https://cchinet.fdle.state.fl.us/search/app/default?0>. You may receive an error message depending on your browser however, this link will take you to the FDLE site.

**Florida Department of Law Enforcement**  
**User Services Bureau**  
**Criminal History Services**  
**PO Box 1489**  
**Tallahassee, FL 32302**

If your information was compromised via Internal Revenue Service (IRS), please complete the IRS form 14039 and provide to the IRS Office. <http://www.irs.gov>

You **may** choose to get an IP PIN if:



- You filed your federal tax return last year with an address in Florida, Georgia or the District of Columbia, <https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-ip-pin-pilot-continues-in-georgia-florida-and-the-district-of-columbia>

**Orlando Local Office**

IRS OFFICE  
850 Trafalgar Ct.  
Suite 215, Stop 9103  
Maitland, FL 32751  
407-660-5830

If your information was compromised via the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, please call 1800-204-2418 or <http://sitefinity.floridajobs.org/job-seekers-community-services/reemployment-assistance-center/claimants>

**Department of Economic Opportunity**

107 East Madison Street  
Caldwell Building  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4120

In Tallahassee, the number is (850) 245-7105.