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AN ACT

Amending the act of December 22, 2005 (P.L.474, No.94), entitled "An act providing for the notification of residents whose personal information data was or may have been disclosed due to a security system breach; and imposing penalties," further providing for title of act, for definitions and for notification of breach; prohibiting employees of the Commonwealth from using nonsecured Internet connections; providing for Commonwealth policy and for entities subject to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996; and further providing for notice exemption.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The title of the act of December 22, 2005 (P.L.474, No.94), known as the Breach of Personal Information Notification Act, is amended to read:

AN ACT

Providing <u>for security of computerized data and</u> for the notification of residents whose personal information data was or may have been disclosed due to a [security system] breach <u>of the security system</u>; and imposing penalties.

Section 2. The definition of "personal information" in

section 2 of the act is amended and the section is amended by adding definitions to read:

Section 2. Definitions.

The following words and phrases when used in this act shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

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"Health insurance information." An individual's health insurance policy number or subscriber identification number in combination with access code or other medical information that permits misuse of an individual's health insurance benefits.

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"Medical information." Any individually identifiable information contained in the individual's current or historical record of medical history or medical treatment or diagnosis created by a health care professional.

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"Personal information."

(1) An individual's first name or first initial and last name in combination with and linked to any one or more of the following data elements when the data elements are not encrypted or redacted:

(i) Social Security number.

(ii) Driver's license number or a State identification card number issued in lieu of a driver's license.

(iii) Financial account number, credit or debit card number, in combination with any required security code, access code or password that would permit access to an individual's financial account.

(iv) Medical information.

(v) Health insurance information.

(vi) A user name or e-mail address, in combination with a password or security question and answer that would permit access to an online account.

(2) The term does not include publicly available information that is lawfully made available to the general public from Federal, State or local government records OR WIDELY DISTRIBUTED MEDIA. <--

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~~"State agency contractor." A person that has a contract with a State agency for goods or services and a third-party subcontractor that provides goods or services for the fulfillment of the contract.~~ <--

"STATE AGENCY CONTRACTOR." A PERSON OR BUSINESS THAT HAS A CONTRACT WITH A STATE AGENCY FOR GOODS OR SERVICES AND A THIRD-PARTY SUBCONTRACTOR THAT PROVIDES THE GOODS OR SERVICES FOR THE FULFILLMENT OF THE CONTRACT OR A PERSON OR BUSINESS THAT IS A SUBCONTRACTOR PROVIDING GOODS OR SERVICES TO ONE OR MORE STATE AGENCIES, THE PERFORMANCE OF WHICH WILL REQUIRE ACCESS TO PERSONAL INFORMATION. <--

Section 3. Section 3 of the act is amended by adding subsections to read:

Section 3. Notification of breach.

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(a.1) Notification by State agency or State agency contractor.--

~~(1) If a State agency determines that it is the subject of a breach affecting personal information of the Commonwealth maintained by the State or State agency~~ <--

~~contractor, the State agency shall provide notice of the breach required under subsection (a) within seven days following determination of the breach or notification by a State agency contractor as provided under paragraph (2). Notification shall be provided concurrently to the Office of Attorney General.~~

~~(2)~~ (1) A State agency contractor shall notify the chief information security officer, or a designee, of the State agency for whom the work is performed of a breach of the security of the system within seven business days following ~~determination~~ DISCOVERY of the breach. <--

~~(3)~~ (2) A State agency under the Governor's jurisdiction shall also provide notice of a breach of the security of the system to the Governor's Office of Administration AND THE OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL within three business days following the determination of the breach. Notification shall occur notwithstanding the existence of procedures and policies under section 7. <--

~~(4)~~ (3) A State agency that, on the effective date of this section, has an existing contract with a State agency contractor shall use reasonable efforts to amend the contract to include provisions relating to the State agency contractor's compliance with this act unless the existing contract already contains breach of the security of the system notification requirements. <--

~~(5)~~ (4) A State agency that, after the effective date of this section, enters into a contract WHICH INVOLVES THE USE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION with a State agency contractor shall ensure that the contract includes provisions relating to the State agency contractor's compliance with this act. <--

(a.2) Notification by county, ~~school district~~ PUBLIC SCHOOL or municipality.--If a county, ~~school district~~ PUBLIC SCHOOL or municipality is the subject of a breach of the security of the system, the county, ~~school district~~ PUBLIC SCHOOL or municipality shall provide notice of the breach of the security of the system required under subsection (a) within seven days following determination of the breach. Notification shall be provided to the district attorney in the county where the breach occurred within three business days following determination of the breach. Notification shall occur notwithstanding the existence of procedures and policies under section 7. <--

(a.3) Electronic notification.--In the case of a breach of the security of the system involving personal information for a user name or e-mail address in combination with a password or security question and answer that would permit access to an online account, the State agency, county, ~~school district~~ PUBLIC SCHOOL or municipality, to the extent that it has sufficient contact information for the person, may comply with this section by providing the breach of the security of the system notification in electronic or other form that directs the person whose personal information has been breached to promptly change the person's password and security question or answer, as applicable or to take other steps appropriate to protect the online account with the State agency, county, ~~school district~~ PUBLIC SCHOOL or municipality and other online accounts for which the person whose personal information has been breached uses the same user name or e-mail address and password or security question or answer. <--

(a.4) Affected individuals.--In the case of a breach of the security of the system involving personal information for a user

name or e-mail address in combination with a password or security question and answer that would permit access to an online account, the State agency contractor may comply with this section by providing a list of affected residents of this Commonwealth, if known, to the State agency subject of the breach of the security of the system.

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(D) DEFINITIONS.--AS USED IN THIS SECTION, THE TERM "PUBLIC SCHOOL" MEANS ANY SCHOOL DISTRICT, INTERMEDIATE UNIT, CHARTER SCHOOL, CYBER CHARTER SCHOOL OR AREA CAREER AND TECHNICAL SCHOOL. <--

Section 4. The act is amended by adding sections to read:

Section 5.1. Encryption required.

(a) General rule.--State employees and State agency contractor employees shall, while working with personal information on behalf of the Commonwealth or otherwise conducting official business on behalf of the Commonwealth, utilize encryption, OR OTHER APPROPRIATE SECURITY MEASURES, to protect the transmission of personal information over the Internet from being viewed or modified by an unauthorized third party IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION POLICY UNDER SUBSECTION (B). <--

(b) Transmission policy.--The Governor's Office of Administration shall develop and maintain a policy to govern the proper encryption and transmission OF DATA, WHICH INCLUDES PERSONAL INFORMATION, by State agencies under the Governor's jurisdiction ~~of data which includes personal information~~. <--

(C) CONSIDERATIONS.--IN DEVELOPING THE POLICY, THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION SHALL CONSIDER SIMILAR EXISTING FEDERAL AND OTHER POLICIES IN OTHER STATES, BEST <--

PRACTICES IDENTIFIED BY OTHER STATES AND RELEVANT STUDIES AND OTHER SOURCES AS APPROPRIATE.

(D) REVIEW AND UPDATE.--THE POLICY SHALL BE REVIEWED AT LEAST ANNUALLY AND UPDATED AS NECESSARY.

Section 5.2. Commonwealth policy.

~~(a) Storage policy.--~~The Governor's Office of Administration shall develop a policy to govern the proper storage by State agencies under the Governor's jurisdiction of data which includes personal information. The policy shall address identifying, collecting, maintaining, displaying and transferring personal information, using personal information in test environments, remediating personal information stored on legacy systems and other relevant issues. A goal of the policy shall be to reduce the risk of future breaches of the security of the system. <--

~~(b) Considerations.--In developing the policy, the Governor's Office of Administration shall consider similar existing Federal and other policies in other states, best practices identified by other states and relevant studies and other sources as appropriate.~~

~~(c) Review and update.--The policy shall be reviewed at least annually and updated as necessary.~~

Section 5.3. Entities subject to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996.

Any covered entity or business associate that is subject to and in compliance with the privacy and security standards for the protection of electronic personal health information established under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-191, 110 Stat. 1936) and the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical

Health Act (Public Law 111-5, 123 Stat. 226-279 and 467-496) shall be deemed to be in compliance with the provisions of this act.

Section 5. Section 7(b)(2) of the act is amended to read:

Section 7. Notice exemption.

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(b) Compliance with Federal requirements.--

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(2) An entity, a State agency ~~or State agency contractor~~, OR A STATE AGENCY'S CONTRACTOR, that complies with the notification requirements or procedures pursuant to the rules, regulations, procedures or guidelines established by the entity's ~~State agency or State agency contractor's~~, STATE AGENCY'S, OR STATE AGENCY'S CONTRACTOR'S, primary or functional Federal regulator shall be in compliance with this act. <-- <-- <--

Section 6. This act shall take effect in 120 days.