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Honorable Members of the Illinois General Assembly,

In accordance with the Personal Information Protection Act (815 ILCS 530), please be advised of the following:

On February 6, 2025, an IDVA employee sent an email to an employment candidate and attached what the employee believed was a blank CMS 248B (Self-Disclosure of Criminal History) form. Unfortunately, the employee attached the CMS form with another candidate's information in it.

The personal information compromised in this breach is as follows:

1. Name
2. Contact Information
3. Date of Birth
4. Driver's License Number

The corrective measures taken are as follows:

1. The email went to a State of Illinois (SOI) email address and a Gmail address. The IDVA employee recalled the email that was sent to the SOI address. The IDVA employee was unable to recall the email that went to the Gmail address, because it was outside of the SOI Outlook system.
2. The IDVA employee spoke with the employment candidate that received the email. The candidate that received the email deleted the email from their inbox and trash folder.
3. IDVA sent a written notification to the candidate whose personal information was compromised, per 815 ILCS 530/12.
4. IDVA is addressing this issue and will retrain employees on email security.

Sincerely,



Terry Prince
Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs Director