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HOUSE BILL NO. 836

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A *BILL to amend and reenact § 2.2-3808 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Government Data Collection and Dissemination Practices Act; social security account numbers.*

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Referred to Committee on General Laws

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1. That § 2.2-3808 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 2.2-3808. (Effective July 1, 2010) Collection, disclosure, or display of social security account number.

A. It shall be unlawful for any agency to:

1. Require an individual to disclose or furnish his social security number *or any portion thereof* not previously disclosed or furnished, for any purpose in connection with any activity, or to refuse any service, privilege, or right to an individual wholly or partly because the individual does not disclose or furnish such number *or portion thereof*, unless the disclosure or furnishing of such number is specifically required by federal or state law in effect prior to January 1, 1975; or

2. Collect from an individual his social security number or any portion thereof unless the collection of such number is (i) authorized or required by state or federal law and (ii) essential for the performance of that agency's duties.

B. Agency-issued identification cards, student identification cards, or license certificates issued or replaced on or after July 1, 2003, shall not display an individual's entire social security number *or any portion thereof*, except as provided in § 46.2-703.

C. Any agency-issued identification card, student identification card, or license certificate that was issued prior to July 1, 2003, and that displays an individual's entire social security number *or any portion thereof* shall be replaced no later than July 1, 2006, except that voter registration cards issued with a social security number and not previously replaced shall be replaced no later than the December 31st following the completion by the state and all localities of the decennial redistricting following the 2010 census. This subsection shall not apply to (i) driver's licenses and special identification cards issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles pursuant to Chapter 3 (§ 46.2-300 et seq.) of Title 46.2 and (ii) road tax registrations issued pursuant to § 46.2-703.

D. After July 1, 2004, no agency, as defined in § 42.1-77, shall send or deliver or cause to be sent or delivered, any letter, envelope, or package that displays a social security number *or any portion thereof* on the face of the mailing envelope or package or from which a social security number *or any portion thereof* is visible, whether on the outside or inside of the mailing envelope or package.

E. The provisions of subsections A and C shall not be applicable to licenses issued by the State Corporation Commission's Bureau of Insurance until such time as a national insurance producer identification number has been created and implemented in all states. Commencing with the date of such implementation, the licenses issued by the State Corporation Commission's Bureau of Insurance shall be issued in compliance with subsection A of this section. Further, all licenses issued prior to the date of such implementation shall be replaced no later than 12 months following the date of such implementation.

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