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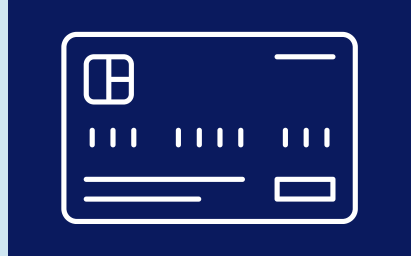

Did you know?

Wyoming's computer crimes code 6-3-501 (Computer Crimes Definitions) **doesn't have** debit cards, internet pay services like Venmo, or cryptocurrency listed.

And, that 6-3-803 (Unlawful Skimming of Credit, Debit, or Other Electronic Payment Cards) has wording about devices that is severely outdated and **doesn't mention** chips.

Call your state representative and ask them to update our computer crimes and consumer protection laws!

The Wyoming CAN committee has redlined laws ready to go! — https://wyocan.org/

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Did you know?

Wyoming's law 6-3-507 discusses computer extortion or ransomware in detail but 6-2-402 never even mentions the word extortion. It only discusses blackmail.

Why do we have two laws when it is all extortion?

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Did you know?

Wyoming's Consumer Protection laws are so out of date they **don't discuss email** or **text scams** (40-12-102), and it only discusses **writing** to the credit reporting agencies and sending a $10 **check** as the method of creating a credit freeze on your account (40-12-503 & 40-12-506).

Clearly, these laws were written before the cloud was invented.

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Did you know?

Wyoming's Consumer Protection laws require the **victim** of identity theft to **go to court**, **incur court fees**, and submit a **full set of fingerprints** to the State Attorney General's Office to prove their identity. (40-12-509) **Why?**

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Did you get your money?

Because we didn't

According to Wyoming Statute 40-12-508, residents who had a credit freeze with Equifax and were **victims of the Equifax breach** should have been notified within 5 days.

The notification was required to include instructions for filing a complaint with the FTC and the State Attorney General, and if Equifax failed to do so, as it did, a civil penalty of **$1,000 plus damages should have been awarded to each affected person**.

Obviously, Wyoming's consumer protection laws are outdated and unenforceable.

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