SUMMARY

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Prohibits consumer reporting agencies from charging certain fees related to security freezes on consumer reports or protective records.

Requires certain persons who own, license, possess or have access to personal consumer information to give notice of breach of data security to certain financial institutions and merchant services providers. Requires financial institutions and merchant services providers that discover or receive notice of data breach of another person to notify other person.

Requires notice of data breach to be given within 45 days of discovery of breach, unless such notice will impede criminal investigation.

Prohibits person providing free credit monitoring in connection with data breach from offering additional services, unless such services are free, or from conditioning free credit monitoring on acceptance of other services.

Modifies standards for safeguarding of personal information.

Permits person to initiate civil action on behalf of state for violations of Oregon Consumer Identity Theft Protection Act. Provides that person may receive award of no greater than 25 percent of monetary recovery. Provides that state may intervene and proceed with such action. Provides that when person or state prevails in such action, court shall award reasonable attorney fees and costs.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to data security; creating new provisions; amending ORS 646A.602, 646A.604, 646A.606, 646A.608, 646A.610 and 646A.622; and prescribing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECURITY FREEZE CHARGES

SECTION 1. ORS 646A.610 is amended to read:

646A.610. (1) A consumer reporting agency may not charge a fee to a consumer or a protected consumer who is the victim of identity theft or to a consumer who has reported or a protected consumer for whom a representative has reported to a law enforcement agency the theft of personal information, provided the consumer or the representative has submitted to the consumer reporting agency a copy of a valid police report, incident report or identity theft declaration.

(2) A consumer reporting agency may not charge a fee to place, remove or temporarily lift a security freeze on a consumer report or protective record or to create or delete a protective record.

(2)(a) (3) A consumer reporting agency may charge a reasonable fee of not more than $10 to a consumer, other than a consumer described in subsection (1) of this section, for [each placement of a security freeze, temporary lift of the security freeze, removal of the security freeze or] replacing a lost personal identification number or password previously provided to the consumer.

NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in boldfaced type.

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(b)(A) Except as provided in subsection (1) of this section and in subparagraph (B) of this para-
graph, a consumer reporting agency may charge a reasonable fee of not more than $10 to place or re-
move a security freeze for a protected consumer's consumer report or protective record or to create or
delete a protective record for a protected consumer.

(B) A consumer reporting agency may not charge a fee to place or remove a security freeze on an
existing consumer report or protective record for a protected consumer who is under 16 years of age
at the time a representative requests the consumer reporting agency to place or remove the security
freeze.

SECTION 2. ORS 646A.606 is amended to read:

646A.606. (1) A consumer may elect to place a security freeze on the consumer's consumer re-
port or, if the consumer is a representative, on a protected consumer's consumer report or protec-
tive record by sending a written request to a consumer reporting agency at an address the agency
designates to receive such requests, or a secure electronic request at a website the agency design-
ates to receive such requests if the consumer reporting agency, at the agency's discretion, makes
a secure electronic method available.

(2) If the consumer or protected consumer is the victim of identity theft or has reported a theft
of personal information to a law enforcement agency, the consumer or representative may include
a copy of the police report, incident report or identity theft declaration.

(3)(a) The consumer or representative must provide proper identification [and any fee authorized
by ORS 646A.610].

(b)(A) In addition to the information [and fee] described in paragraph (a) of this subsection, a
representative who seeks to place a security freeze on a protected consumer's consumer report or
protective record shall provide sufficient proof of the representative's authority to act on the pro-
tected consumer's behalf.

(B) For purposes of subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, sufficient proof of authority consists of:
(i) A court order that identifies or describes the relationship between the representative and the
protected consumer;
(ii) A valid and lawfully executed power of attorney that permits the representative to act on
the protected consumer's behalf; or
(iii) A written affidavit that the representative signs and has notarized in which the represen-
tative expressly describes the relationship between the representative and the protected consumer
and the representative's authority to act on the protected consumer's behalf.

(4)(a) Except as provided in ORS 646A.614, if a security freeze is in place for a consumer report,
information from the consumer report may not be released without prior express authorization from
the consumer.

(b) Information from a protective record may not be released until the protected consumer for
whom the consumer reporting agency created the protective record, or a representative of the pro-
tected consumer, removes the security freeze.

(5) This section does not prevent a consumer reporting agency from advising a third party that
a security freeze is in effect with respect to the consumer report or protective record.

SECTION 3. ORS 646A.608 is amended to read:

646A.608. (1)(a) A consumer reporting agency shall place a security freeze on a consumer report
not later than five business days after receiving from a consumer:
(A) The request described in ORS 646A.606 (1); and
(B) Proper identification[; and].
(b) If a consumer report does not exist for a protected consumer on behalf of whom a representative seeks to place a security freeze, a consumer reporting agency shall create a protective record after receiving from the representative the request described in ORS 646A.606 (1), proper identification for both the representative and the protected consumer and sufficient proof of authority, as described in ORS 646A.606 (3)(b). After creating a protective record for a protected consumer under this paragraph, the consumer reporting agency shall place the security freeze that the representative requested on the protected consumer’s protective record.

(c) The protective record that the consumer reporting agency creates under paragraph (b) of this subsection does not need to contain any information other than the protected consumer’s personal information, if other information for the protected consumer is not available. Except as provided in ORS 646A.614, a consumer reporting agency may not use or release to another person the information in a protective record for the purpose of assessing a protected consumer’s eligibility or capacity for an extension of credit, as a basis for evaluating a protected consumer’s character, reputation or personal characteristics or for other purposes that are not related to protecting the protected consumer from identity theft.

(2)(a) The consumer reporting agency shall send a written confirmation of a security freeze on a consumer’s consumer report to the consumer at the last known address for the consumer shown in the consumer report that the consumer reporting agency maintains, within 10 business days after placing the security freeze and, with the confirmation, shall provide the consumer with a unique personal identification number or password or similar device the consumer must use to authorize the consumer reporting agency to release the consumer’s consumer report for a specific period of time or to permanently remove the security freeze. The consumer reporting agency shall include with the written confirmation information that describes how to remove a security freeze and how to temporarily lift a security freeze on a consumer report, other than a consumer report for a protected consumer, in order to allow access to information from the consumer’s consumer report for a period of time while the security freeze is in place.

(b) This subsection does not require a consumer reporting agency to provide a consumer or representative with a personal identification number or password for the consumer or representative to use to authorize the consumer reporting agency to release information from a protective record.

(3)(a) If a consumer wishes to allow the consumer’s consumer report to be accessed for a specific period of time while a security freeze is in effect, the consumer shall contact the consumer reporting agency using a point of contact the consumer reporting agency designates, request that the security freeze be temporarily lifted and provide the following:

(A) Proper identification;

(B) The unique personal identification number or password or similar device the consumer reporting agency provided under subsection (2) of this section; and

(C) An indication of the period of time during which the consumer report must be available to users of the consumer report;

[D) A fee, if applicable.

(b) A protective record is not subject to a temporary lift of a security freeze.

(c) Except as provided in ORS 646A.612 (2)(a), a consumer report for a protected consumer is not subject to a temporary lift of a security freeze.

(4) A consumer reporting agency that receives a request from the consumer to temporarily lift a security freeze on a consumer report, other than a consumer report for a protected consumer,
under subsection (3) of this section shall comply with the request not later than three business days after receiving from the consumer:

(a) Proper identification;
(b) The unique personal identification number or password or similar device the consumer reporting agency provided under subsection (2) of this section; and
(c) An indication of the period of time during which the consumer report must be available to users of the consumer report; and
(d) A fee, if applicable.

(5)(a) A security freeze for a consumer report must remain in place until the consumer requests, using a point of contact the consumer reporting agency designates, that the security freeze be removed. A consumer reporting agency shall remove a security freeze within three business days after receiving a request for removal from the consumer, who provides:

(A) Proper identification; and
(B) The unique personal identification number or password or similar device the consumer reporting agency provided under subsection (2) of this section; and
(C) A fee, if applicable.

(b) A security freeze for a protective record must remain in place until the protected consumer or a representative requests, using a point of contact the consumer reporting agency designates, that the security freeze be removed or that the protective record be deleted. The consumer reporting agency does not have an affirmative duty to notify the protected consumer or the representative that a security freeze is in place or to remove the security freeze or delete the protective record once the protected consumer is no longer a protected consumer. A protected consumer or a representative has the affirmative duty to request that the consumer reporting agency remove the security freeze or delete the protective record. A consumer reporting agency shall remove a security freeze or delete a protective record within 30 business days after receiving a request for removal or deletion from the protected consumer or a representative, who provides:

(A) Proper identification;
(B) Sufficient proof of authority, as described in ORS 646A.606 (3)(b), if the representative seeks to remove the security freeze or delete the protective record; and
(C) Proof that the representative's authority to act on the protected consumer's behalf is no longer valid or applicable, if the protected consumer seeks to remove the security freeze or delete the protective record; and
(D) A fee, if applicable.

NOTIFICATION OF SECURITY BREACHES

SECTION 4. ORS 646A.602 is amended to read:

646A.602. As used in ORS 646A.600 to 646A.628:

(1) “Account information” means information that establishes a relationship between a consumer and the consumer's account with a financial institution including, but not limited to:

(a) A primary account number;
(b) The consumer's full name;
(c) The expiration date for the financial access device;
(d) A personal identification number or other security number; and
(e) A card verification value number, card security code number or similar security number.

[(1)(a)] (2)(a) “Breach of security” means an unauthorized acquisition of computerized data that materially compromises the security, confidentiality or integrity of personal information that a person maintains.

(b) “Breach of security” does not include an inadvertent acquisition of personal information by a person or the person’s employee or agent if the personal information is not used in violation of applicable law or in a manner that harms or poses an actual threat to the security, confidentiality or integrity of the personal information.

[(2)] (3) “Consumer” means an individual resident of this state.

[(3)] (4) “Consumer report” means a consumer report as described in section 603(d) of the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act (15 U.S.C. 1681a(d)), as that Act existed on January 1, 2016 the effective date of this 2018 Act, that a consumer reporting agency compiles and maintains.

[(4)] (5) “Consumer reporting agency” means a consumer reporting agency as described in section 603(p) of the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act (15 U.S.C. 1681a(p)) as that Act existed on January 1, 2016 the effective date of this 2018 Act.

[(5)] (6) “Debt” means any obligation or alleged obligation arising out of a consumer transaction.

[(6)] (7) “Encryption” means an algorithmic process that renders data unreadable or unusable without the use of a confidential process or key.

[(7)] (8) “Extension of credit” means a right to defer paying debt or a right to incur debt and defer paying the debt, that is offered or granted primarily for personal, family or household purposes.

(9) “Financial access device” means a consumer’s credit card or debit card or a similar or related device that a consumer uses in a transaction to make a payment that draws on an extension of credit to the consumer from a financial institution or that withdraws funds from an account the consumer maintains with a financial institution.

(10) “Financial institution” has the meaning given that term in ORS 706.008.

[(8)] (11) “Identity theft” has the meaning set forth in ORS 165.800.

[(9)] (12) “Identity theft declaration” means a completed and signed statement that documents alleged identity theft, using the form available from the Federal Trade Commission, or another substantially similar form.

(13) “Merchant services provider” means a person that provides products or services necessary to accept credit cards, debit cards or other forms of electronic payments.

[(10)] (14) “Person” means an individual, private or public corporation, partnership, cooperative, association, estate, limited liability company, organization or other entity, whether or not organized to operate at a profit, or a public body as defined in ORS 174.109.

[(11)] (15)(a) “Personal information” means:

[(a)] (A) A consumer’s first name or first initial and last name in combination with any one or more of the following data elements, if encryption, redaction or other methods have not rendered the data elements unusable or if the data elements are encrypted and the encryption key has been acquired:

[(A)] (i) A consumer’s Social Security number;

[(B)] (ii) A consumer’s driver license number or state identification card number issued by the Department of Transportation;

[(C)] (iii) A consumer’s passport number or other identification number issued by the United
States;

[(D)] (iv) A consumer’s financial account number, credit card number or debit card number, in
combination with any required security code, access code or password that would permit access to
a consumer’s financial account;

[(E)] (v) Data from automatic measurements of a consumer’s physical characteristics, such as
an image of a fingerprint, retina or iris, that are used to authenticate the consumer’s identity in the
course of a financial transaction or other transaction;

[(F)] (vi) A consumer’s health insurance policy number or health insurance subscriber identifi-
cation number in combination with any other unique identifier that a health insurer uses to identify
the consumer; or

[(G)] (vii) Any information about a consumer’s medical history or mental or physical condition
or about a health care professional’s medical diagnosis or treatment of the consumer.

[(b)] (B) Any of the data elements or any combination of the data elements described  in [para-
graph (a) of this subsection] subparagraph (A) of this paragraph without the consumer’s first name
or first initial and last name if:

[(A)] (i) Encryption, redaction or other methods have not rendered the data element or combi-
nation of data elements unusable; and

[(B)] (ii) The data element or combination of data elements would enable a person to commit
identity theft against a consumer.

(C) Account information that is ordinarily stored on a financial access device.

[(c)] (b) “Personal information” does not include information in a federal, state or local govern-
ment record, other than a Social Security number, that is lawfully made available to the public.

[(12)] (16) “Proper identification” means written information or documentation that a consumer
or representative can present to another person as evidence of the consumer’s or representative’s
identity, examples of which include:

(a) A valid Social Security number or a copy of a valid Social Security card;

(b) A certified or otherwise official copy of a birth certificate that a governmental body issued;

and

(c) A copy of a driver license or other government-issued identification.

[(13)] (17) “Protected consumer” means an individual who is:

(a) Not older than 16 years old at the time a representative requests a security freeze on the
individual’s behalf; or

(b) Incapacitated or for whom a court or other authority has appointed a guardian or
conservator.

[(14)] (18) “Protective record” means information that a consumer reporting agency compiles to
identify a protected consumer for whom the consumer reporting agency has not prepared a consumer
report.

[(15)] (19) “Redacted” means altered or truncated so that no more than the last four digits of
a Social Security number, driver license number, state identification card number, passport number
or other number issued by the United States, financial account number, credit card number or debit
card number is visible or accessible.

[(16)] (20) “Representative” means a consumer who provides a consumer reporting agency with
sufficient proof of the consumer’s authority to act on a protected consumer’s behalf.

[(17)] (21) “Security freeze” means a notice placed in a consumer report at a consumer’s request
or a representative’s request or in a protective record at a representative’s request that, subject to
certain exemptions, prohibits a consumer reporting agency from releasing information in the consumer report or the protective record for an extension of credit, unless the consumer temporarily lifts the security freeze on the consumer’s consumer report or a protected consumer or representative removes the security freeze on or deletes the protective record.

SECTION 5. ORS 646A.604 is amended to read:

646A.604. (1) If a person [that] owns or licenses personal information that the person uses in the course of the person’s business, vocation, occupation or volunteer activities, or possesses or has access to personal information as a consequence of a transaction with a consumer, and [that] the personal information was subject to a breach of security, the person shall give notice of the breach of security to:

(a) The consumer to whom the personal information pertains after the person discovers the breach of security or after the person receives notice of a breach of security under subsection (2) of this section. [The person shall notify the consumer in the most expeditious manner possible, without unreasonable delay, consistent with the legitimate needs of law enforcement described in subsection (3) of this section and consistent with any measures that are necessary to determine sufficient contact information for the affected consumer, determine the scope of the breach of security and restore the reasonable integrity, security and confidentiality of the personal information.]

(b) The Attorney General, either in writing or electronically, if the number of consumers to whom the person must send the notice described in paragraph (a) of this subsection exceeds 250. [The person shall disclose the breach of security to the Attorney General in the manner described in paragraph (a) of this subsection.]

(c) The financial institution that issued a financial access device that stores account information that was subject to the breach of security.

(d) Any merchant services provider that processed a financial transaction on the person’s behalf using account information that was subject to the breach of security.

(2)(a) A person that maintains or otherwise possesses personal information on behalf of, or under license of, another person shall notify the other person after discovering a breach of security.

(b) A financial institution or merchant services provider that discovers or receives notice that personal information owned, licensed or possessed by another person was subject to a breach of security shall notify the other person of the breach.

(3)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, a person required to give notice of a security breach under subsection (1) or (2) of this section shall do so in the most expeditious manner possible, without unreasonable delay, consistent with any measures that are necessary to determine sufficient contact information for the recipient of notice, determine the scope of the breach of security and restore the reasonable integrity, security and confidentiality of the personal information, but in no event more than 45 days from the time the person discovers or receives notice of the breach of security.

(b) A person [that owns or licenses personal information may delay required to give notice of a breach of security under subsection (1) or (2) of this section may delay notifying a consumer] giving notice of a breach of security only if a law enforcement agency determines that a notification will impede a criminal investigation and if the law enforcement agency requests in writing that the person delay the notification.

(4) For purposes of this section, a person that owns or licenses personal information, or that possesses or has access to personal information as a consequence of a transaction with a consumer, may notify a consumer of a breach of security:
(a) In writing;
(b) Electronically, if the person customarily communicates with the consumer electronically or if the notice is consistent with the provisions regarding electronic records and signatures set forth in the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act (15 U.S.C. 7001) as that Act existed on January 1, 2016 the effective date of this 2018 Act;
(c) By telephone, if the person contacts the affected consumer directly; or
(d) With substitute notice, if the person demonstrates that the cost of notification otherwise would exceed $250,000 or that the affected class of consumers exceeds 350,000, or if the person does not have sufficient contact information to notify affected consumers. For the purposes of this paragraph, “substitute notice” means:
(A) Posting the notice or a link to the notice conspicuously on the person’s website if the person maintains a website; and
(B) Notifying major statewide television and newspaper media.
(5) Notice to a consumer under this section must include, at a minimum:
(a) A description of the breach of security in general terms;
(b) The approximate date of the breach of security;
(c) The type of personal information that was subject to the breach of security;
(d) Contact information for the person that owned or licensed, or that possessed or had access to as a consequence of a transaction with a consumer, the personal information that was subject to the breach of security;
(e) Contact information for national consumer reporting agencies; and
(f) Advice to the consumer to report suspected identity theft to law enforcement, including the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission.
(6) If a person discovers a breach of security that affects more than 1,000 consumers, the person shall notify, without unreasonable delay, all consumer reporting agencies that compile and maintain reports on consumers on a nationwide basis of the timing, distribution and content of the notice the person gave to affected consumers and shall include in the notice any police report number assigned to the breach of security. A person may not delay notifying affected consumers of a breach of security in order to notify consumer reporting agencies.
(7) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, a person does not need to notify consumers of a breach of security if, after an appropriate investigation or after consultation with relevant federal, state or local law enforcement agencies, the person reasonably determines that the consumers whose personal information was subject to the breach of security are unlikely to suffer harm. The person must document the determination in writing and maintain the documentation for at least five years.
(8) This section does not apply to:
(a) A person that complies with notification requirements or procedures for a breach of security that the person’s primary or functional federal regulator adopts, promulgates or issues in rules, regulations, procedures, guidelines or guidance, if the rules, regulations, procedures, guidelines or guidance provide greater protection to personal information and disclosure requirements at least as thorough as the protections and disclosure requirements provided under this section.
(b) A person that complies with a state or federal law that provides greater protection to personal information and disclosure requirements at least as thorough as the protections and disclosure requirements provided under this section.
(c) A person that is subject to and complies with regulations promulgated pursuant to Title V

(d)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, a covered entity, as defined in 45 C.F.R. 160.103, as in effect on [January 1, 2016] the effective date of this 2018 Act, that is governed under 45 C.F.R. parts 160 and 164, as in effect on [January 1, 2016] the effective date of this 2018 Act, if the covered entity sends the Attorney General a copy of the notice the covered entity sent to consumers under ORS 646A.604 or a copy of the notice that the covered entity sent to the primary functional regulator designated for the covered entity under the Health Insurance Portability and Availability Act of 1996, (P.L. 104-191, 110 Stat. 1936, 42 U.S.C. 300(gg), 29 U.S.C. 118 et seq., 42 U.S.C. 1320(d) et seq., 45 C.F.R. parts 160 and 164).

(B) A covered entity is subject to the provisions of this section if the covered entity does not send a copy of a notice described in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph to the Attorney General within a reasonable time after the Attorney General requests the copy.

(9)(a) A person’s violation of a provision of ORS 646A.600 to 646A.628 is an unlawful practice under ORS 646.607.

(b) The rights and remedies available under this section are cumulative and are in addition to any other rights or remedies that are available under law.

UPSELLING

SECTION 6. (1) A person that provides credit monitoring services to a consumer at no charge to the consumer in connection with a breach of security:

(a) May not offer services other than credit monitoring services to the consumer at the time of initiating the credit monitoring services, unless those services are free of charge; and

(b) May not condition the person’s provision of credit monitoring services on the consumer’s acceptance of services other than credit monitoring services.

(2) A person that contracts with another person to provide credit monitoring services to a consumer at no charge to the consumer in connection with a breach of security shall provide by contract with the other person that the other person:

(a) May not offer services other than credit monitoring services to the consumer at the time of initiating the credit monitoring services, unless those services are free of charge; and

(b) May not condition the other person’s provision of credit monitoring services on the consumer’s acceptance of services other than credit monitoring services.

SECTION 7. Section 6 of this 2018 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 646A.600 to 646A.628.

SAFEGUARDING PERSONAL INFORMATION

SECTION 8. ORS 646A.622 is amended to read:

646A.622. (1) A person that owns, maintains or otherwise possesses data that includes a consumer’s personal information that the person uses in the course of the person’s business, vocation, occupation or volunteer activities shall develop, implement and maintain reasonable safeguards to protect the security, confidentiality and integrity of the personal information, including safe-
guards that protect the personal information when the person disposes of the personal information.

(2) A person complies with subsection (1) of this section if the person:

(a) Complies with a state or federal law that provides greater protection to personal information than the protections that this section provides.

(b) Complies with regulations promulgated under Title V of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act of 1999 (15 U.S.C. 6801 to 6809) as in effect on [January 1, 2016] the effective date of this 2018 Act, if the person is subject to the Act.

(c) Complies with regulations that implement the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (45 C.F.R. parts 160 and 164) as in effect on [January 1, 2016] the effective date of this 2018 Act, if the person is subject to the Act.

(d) Implements an information security program that includes:

(A) Administrative safeguards such as:
(i) Designating one or more employees to coordinate the security program;
(ii) Identifying reasonably foreseeable internal and external risks with reasonable regularity;
(iii) Assessing whether existing safeguards adequately control the identified risks;
(iv) Regularly training and managing employees in security program practices and procedures;
(v) Selecting service providers that are capable of maintaining appropriate safeguards, procedures and protocols, and requiring the service providers by contract to maintain the safeguards, procedures and protocols; [and]
(vi) Adjusting the security program in light of business changes, potential threats or new circumstances;

(B) Technical safeguards such as:
(i) Assessing risks in network and software design and taking reasonable and timely action to address weaknesses or vulnerabilities;
(ii) Assessing risks in information collection, processing, transmission and storage;
(iii) Monitoring, detecting, preventing and responding to attacks or system failures; [and]
(iv) Testing and monitoring regularly the effectiveness of key controls, systems and procedures and implementing remedial actions for identified weaknesses or deficiencies; and

(C) Physical safeguards such as:
(i) Assessing known and potential risks of information collection, storage, usage, retention, access and disposal, followed by implementation of action plans to remedy or mitigate identified risks;
(ii) Monitoring, detecting, preventing, isolating and responding to intrusions within a reasonable timeframe;
(iii) Protecting against unauthorized access to or use of personal information during or after collecting, using, storing, accessing, transporting, destroying or disposing of the personal information; and
(iv) Disposing of personal information, including personal information held offsite, after the person no longer needs the personal information for business purposes or as required by local, state or federal law by burning, pulverizing, shredding or modifying a physical record and by destroying or erasing electronic media so that the information cannot be read or reconstructed.

(3) A person complies with subsection (2)(d)(C)(iv) of this section if the person contracts with another person engaged in the business of record destruction to dispose of personal information in a manner that is consistent with subsection (2)(d)(A)(v) and (2)(d)(C)(iv) of this section.

(4) Notwithstanding subsection (2) of this section, a person that is an owner of a small business as defined in ORS 285B.123 (2) complies with subsection (1) of this section if the person's information security and disposal program contains administrative, technical and physical safeguards and disposal measures that are appropriate for the size and complexity of the small business, the nature and scope of the small business's activities, and the sensitivity of the personal information the small business collects from or about consumers.

(5) As used in this section, “personal information” means:
   (a) Information within the definition of “personal information” under ORS 646A.602;
   (b) A user name or electronic mail address that, in combination with a password or security question and answer, would permit access to an account;
   (c) An individual's geolocation information; and
   (d) Information or images that could reasonably identify an individual.

PRIVATE ATTORNEYS GENERAL

SECTION 9. (1) A person may initiate a civil action on behalf of the state alleging violations of ORS 646A.600 to 646A.628 to obtain any relief that the state would be entitled to seek, including injunctive, declaratory or other equitable relief.

(2) In initiating an action under this section, a person may allege multiple violations that affected multiple consumers or classes of consumers, as long as those violations are of a sufficiently similar kind that they can be efficiently managed in a single action.

(3) For the purpose of encouraging the enforcement of public protections, a court may award a person who initiates an action under this section an incentive award of up to 25 percent of the total monetary recovery if that person pursues the action to final judgment as the prevailing party, or up to 10 percent of the total monetary recovery if the state intervenes in the action and pursues it to final judgment as the prevailing party, including after settlement. In determining an appropriate incentive award, a court shall consider the complexity of the case, the resources dedicated to prosecuting the case, whether the person obtained equitable relief on behalf of the state and the extent of such relief, and the importance of the case as measured by the extent of actual damages caused by the violations.

(4) When a person or the state prevails in an action originally brought under this section, the court shall award the person and the state their attorney fees and costs, as reasonable based on their participation in the action.

SECTION 10. (1) A person initiating an action under section 9 of this 2018 Act shall serve a copy of the complaint and a letter describing the action on the Attorney General, at which time the action shall be stayed for 30 days. The state may intervene in the action and proceed with the claims in the action:
   (a) As of right within the stay period; or
(b) For good cause, as determined by the court, after the expiration of the stay period.

(2) If the state intervenes and proceeds with an action under this section, the state may dismiss or settle any claims in the action, regardless of any objections from the person who initiated the action.

SECTION 11. (1) If the state shows that discovery proposed in an action initiated by a person under section 9 of this 2018 Act would interfere with an ongoing criminal or civil matter arising out of the same facts, the court may stay such discovery for a period of not more than 60 days. The state's showing shall be conducted in camera. The court may extend the stay period upon a further showing in camera that the state has pursued the criminal or civil matter with reasonable diligence and that the proposed discovery will interfere with the criminal or civil matter.

(2) Subsection (1) of this section applies regardless of whether the state proceeds with the action.

SECTION 12. (1) A person may not initiate an action under section 9 of this 2018 Act that is based on the same nucleus of operative facts on which an action previously initiated under section 9 of this 2018 Act or an action previously initiated by the state was based.

(2) The state may not initiate an action alleging a violation that was alleged in an action previously initiated under section 9 of this 2018 Act.

(3) No person other than the state may intervene in an action initiated under section 9 of this 2018 Act.

SECTION 13. Except as provided in section 12 of this 2018 Act:

(1) An action initiated under section 9 of this 2018 Act does not bar the person who initiated the action or any other person from bringing a private action based on the same nucleus of operative facts; and

(2) An action initiated under section 9 of this 2018 Act is not barred by a previous action based on the same nucleus of operative facts.

SECTION 14. (1) The court in which an action initiated under section 9 of this 2018 Act is filed shall review any proposed settlement of the action. The court shall approve the settlement if the court determines that the terms of settlement are reasonable and fair and that the person who initiated the action does not receive a greater percentage of the monetary recovery than is allowed under section 9 of this 2018 Act.

(2) The parties shall submit a copy of the proposed settlement to the Attorney General at the same time that the parties submit the proposed settlement to the court. If the Attorney General moves the court to disapprove the settlement, the court shall disapprove the settlement.

SECTION 15. Actions initiated under section 9 of this 2018 Act are prosecuted on behalf of the state and not a private party, and agreements between private parties do not apply to such actions. No contract may be deemed to waive or limit the right of a private party to initiate an action under section 9 of this 2018 Act through limits on claims, remedies or procedures, including contractual limitations periods, notice requirements, forum selection provisions, arbitration or other alternative dispute resolution provisions, limitations on liability, limitations on remedies or limitations on damages.

SECTION 16. If any provision of sections 9 to 16 of this 2018 Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of sections 9 to 16 of this 2018 Act that can be given effect without
the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of sections 9 to 16 of this 2018 Act are severable.

CAPTIONS

SECTION 17. The unit captions used in this 2018 Act are provided only for the convenience of the reader and do not become part of the statutory law of this state or express any legislative intent in the enactment of this 2018 Act.

EFFECTIVE DATE

SECTION 18. This 2018 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2018 regular session of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.