GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2005

SENATE BILL 1098

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Sponsors: Senator Boseman.

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1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT PROHIBITING THE RELEASE OF AN INDIVIDUAL'S SOCIAL
3	SECURITY NUMBER WITHOUT THE INDIVIDUAL'S CONSENT.
4	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
5	SECTION 1. Article 3F of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes is amended
6	by adding a new section to read:
7	" <u>§ 143-64.61. Consent to release social security numbers required.</u>
8	(a) Except as specifically provided by subsection (b) of this section, no State or
9	local government agency may release an individual's social security number without the
10	individual's express consent.
11	(b) An individual's social security number may be released without an
12	individual's express consent if the release is made pursuant to a State or federal law that
13	specifically requires the disclosure."
14	SECTION 2. The General Statutes are amended by adding a new Chapter to
15	read:
16	" <u>Chapter 99F.</u>
17	"Privacy of Social Security Numbers.
18	" <u>§ 99F-1. Privacy of social security numbers.</u>
19	(a) Except as specifically provided by subsection (b) of this section, no person
20	may release an individual's social security number without the individual's express
21	$\frac{\text{consent.}}{(1)}$
22	(b) An individual's social security number may be released without an
23	individual's express consent if the release is made pursuant to a State or federal law that
24	specifically requires the disclosure.
25	(c) Any individual who is damaged on account of a violation of this Chapter may
26 27	bring an action for actual damages against the person who unlawfully released the
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28	individual's social security number." SECTION 3. This act becomes effective December 1, 2005.

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