# STATE OF NEW YORK

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# IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. COMRIE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Internet and Technology

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to notification of a data breach

**The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:**

Section 1. The opening paragraph of subdivision 2 and subdivision 3 of section 899-aa of the general business law, as amended by chapter 117 of the laws of 2019, are amended to read as follows:

Any person or business which owns or licenses computerized data which includes private information shall disclose any breach of the security of the system following discovery or notification of the breach in the security of the system to any resident of New York state whose private information was, or is reasonably believed to have been, accessed or acquired by a person without valid authorization. The disclosure shall be made in the most expedient time possible and without unreasonable delay, [~~consistent with~~] **and shall be made within fifteen days after the breach has been discovered, except for** the legitimate needs of law enforcement, as provided in subdivision four of this section[~~, or any measures necessary to determine the scope of the breach and restore the integrity of the system~~].

3. Any person or business which maintains computerized data which includes private information which such person or business does not own shall notify the owner or licensee of the information of any breach of the security of the system immediately **and within fifteen days** following discovery, if the private information was, or is reasonably believed to have been, accessed or acquired by a person without valid authorization.

§ 2. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 8 of section 899-aa of the general business law, as amended by chapter 117 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as follows:

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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(a) In the event that any New York residents are to be notified, the person or business shall notify the state attorney general, the department of state and the division of state police **and the department of financial services** as to the timing, content and distribution of the notices and approximate number of affected persons and shall provide a copy of the template of the notice sent to affected persons. Such notice shall be made without delaying notice to affected New York residents.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.