



JB Pritzker, Governor
Sanjay Gupta, Acting Secretary and State CIO

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Honorable Leaders of the General Assembly,

The Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA), 815 ILCS 530/1 *et seq.*, requires State agencies/the Illinois Department of Technology (DoIT) to notify the General Assembly when there has been an unauthorized acquisition of personal information through the State's systems.

On May 31, 2023, an issue within the State's systems was discovered. It was determined that an attack was occurring through a software vulnerability in a product provided by a third-party file transfer company that affected DoIT and a large number of organizations worldwide. DoIT took immediate action, disconnected all associated systems that utilized the third-party software, and engaged its security incident response team to conduct a forensic analysis. DoIT's investigation is ongoing and the full extent of this incident is still being determined, but DoIT believes a large number of individuals could be impacted. DoIT is working with federal and state law enforcement officials to determine the identity of the actor(s) involved. Public notice of the incident will be provided as expeditiously as possible once DoIT finalizes a determination of all people impacted.

This letter is to notify you of the incident. There is no action required on your part. DoIT will provide you with an update once the full scope of the impact is known. If you have any questions, please contact Kiswai Broomfield at Kiswai.Broomfield@illinois.gov, 217-670-9539.

Sincerely,

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