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Sponsor(s): Senator Prentice

Brief Description: Protecting privacy of personal commercial information.

**SB 6822 - DIGEST**

Finds that every entity has an affirmative and continuing obligation to respect the privacy of its consumers and to protect the security and confidentiality of consumers.

Declares that Washington's citizens have a right to privacy and a reasonable expectation that the personal information that they provide in commercial transactions with financial institutions and others who maintain and transfer information will be kept private and confidential.

Finds that there is no existing uniform law that creates an appropriate standard of conduct for disclosure of consumers' personal information and that Washington's citizens need additional statutory protection from fraud, deception, nuisance, invasion of privacy, and breach of confidentiality related to the disclosure of personal information.

Declares an intent to ensure that entities and consumers work cooperatively to protect consumer information and enforce sanctions when violations occur.