

MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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AN ACT RELATIVE TO LIMITING THE
AVAILABILITY OF AN INDIVIUDAL'S SOCIAL
SECURITY INORDER TO REDUCE IDENTITY
THEFT.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds
3 that nationwide the broad use and public exposure of Social Security
4 Numbers has been a major contributor to the tremendous growth in identity
5 theft and other forms of credit fraud. Therefore it is the intent of the *I*
6 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* to significantly reduce the risks to individuals of the
7 inappropriate disclosure and misuse of Social Security Numbers by limiting
8 their use and display.

9 **Section 2. Limiting the Availability of an Individual's Social Security**
10 **Number.** (a) No person, including any public or private entity, shall:

11 (1) Publicly post or display in any manner an individual's Social
12 Security number.

1 (2) Print an individual's Social Security number on any card required for
2 the individual to access products or services provided by the person
3 or entity.

4 (3) Print an individual's Social Security number on any materials that
5 are mailed to the individual, unless Guam or federal law requires the Social
6 Security number to be on the document to be mailed, except that applications
7 and forms sent by mail may include Social Security numbers.

8 (b). Nothing in this section shall prevent the government of Guam from
9 using a Social Security number for internal verification and administrative
10 purposes, so long as the use does not result in, or require the release of, the
11 Social Security number to persons not designated by the public agency to
12 perform associated functions authorized by law.

13 (c) The Office of Attorney General shall enforce this act by bringing an
14 action for injunctive relief in the Superior Court of Guam.

15 (d) This act takes effect ninety (90) days after enactment.

16 **Section 3. Severability.** If any provision of this Law or its application
17 to any person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such
18 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Law which
19 can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this
20 end the provisions of this Law are severable.