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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES H. F. No. 3517

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Authored by Slocum and Bly The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Civil Law and Data Practices Policy

1.1	A bill for an act
1.2 1.3	relating to consumer protection; regulating security freezes; prohibiting certain fees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 13C.016, subdivision 8.
1.4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
1.5	Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 13C.016, subdivision 8, is amended to read:
1.6	Subd. 8. Fees. (a) A consumer reporting agency may <u>not</u> charge a fee of \$5 for placing,
1.7	temporarily lifting, or removing a security freeze unless:
1.8	(1) the consumer is a victim of identity theft as defined in subdivision 1, paragraph (c);
1.9	and
1.10	(2) the consumer provides the consumer reporting agency with a valid copy of a police
1.11	report or a police case number documenting the identity theft.
1.12	(b) In addition to the charge, if any, permitted under paragraph (a), A consumer may be
1.13	charged no more than \$5 if the consumer fails to retain the original personal identification
1.14	number given to the consumer by the agency, but the consumer may not be charged for a
1.15	onetime reissue of the same or a new personal identification number. The consumer may
1.16	be charged no more than \$5 for subsequent instances of loss of the personal identification
1.17	number.
1.18	(c) A consumer who makes a written request by mail may pay any fee charged pursuant
1.19	to this subdivision by check, money order, or credit card. A consumer who makes a request
1.20	by telephone or other electronic media may pay any fee charged pursuant to this subdivision
1.21	by credit card.

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- 2.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
- 2.2 applies to security freezes placed, temporarily lifted, or removed on or after that date.