

ENROLLED BILL MEMORANDUM TO GOVERNOR	DATE 9/23/81
BILL NO. SB 648	AUTHOR Ellis

Vote—Senate _____ Unanimous

Ayes— 35
Noes— 0

Vote—Assembly _____ Unanimous

Ayes— 71
Noes— 0

SB 648 - Ellis Existing law provides that it is a crime to access a computer for the purpose of extorting money, property, or services with false or fraudulent intent.

This bill makes it a crime for a person to unlawfully access a computer for the purpose of obtaining unauthorized information concerning the credit information of another person or to introduce false information for the purpose of damaging or enhancing the credit information of another person.

SPONSOR

Author

SUPPORT

Legal Affairs Unit
CPOA

OPPOSITION

No known opposition

FISCAL IMPACT

None

Recommendation

APPROVE

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Ellis SB. 648

SUBJECT: DATE LAST AMENDED

August 25, 1981

This bill makes it a crime to access a computer for the purpose of damaging or enhancing a person's credit information.

SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR SIGNATURE:

The Department of Finance recommends signing the bill because it will deter persons from damaging or enhancing another person's credit.

FISCAL SUMMARY

Department/Agency FC 1981-82 FC 1982-83 FC 1983-84 FC 1984-85 Fund

No fiscal impact

ANALYSIS

A. Specific Findings

Existing law provides that it is a crime to access a computer for the purpose of extorting money, property, or services with false or fraudulent intent.

This bill makes it a crime for a person to unlawfully access a computer for the purpose of obtaining unauthorized information concerning the credit information of another person or to introduce false information for the purpose of damaging or enhancing the credit information of another person.

This crime is a felony punishable by a fine not to exceed \$5,000 or by imprisonment in the State prison for 16 months or two or three years, or both; or by a fine not to exceed \$2,500 or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed one year or both.

B. Fiscal Analysis

There are no State costs associated with this bill. Any impact on local governments is appropriately addressed by the crimes and infractions disclaimer in the bill.

RECOMMENDATION PRINCIPAL ANALYST PROGRAM BUDGET MANAGER

Sign the bill

DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE DATE DIRECTOR DATE

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ENROLLED BILL REPORT

AGENCY GOVERNOR'S OFFICE	BILL NUMBER SB 648
DEPARTMENT, BOARD OR COMMISSION LEGAL AFFAIRS	AUTHOR Ellis

Existing law provides that it is a crime to intentionally access or cause to be accessed any computer system for the purpose of extorting money, obtaining property or services, or altering data with false or fraudulent intent.

This bill would now also make it a crime for any person to maliciously access or cause to be accessed any computer system for the purpose of damaging, enhancing, or obtaining unauthorized information concerning a persons credit information.

This bill addresses a problem that is likely to become more prevalent with the advent of automated banking, purchasing and credit information being computerized. It is therefore recommended that the bill be signed.

Source: Author
Support: CPOA, TRW
Opposition: none

RECOMMENDATION:

Sign

ANALYST	DATE	LEGAL AFFAIRS SECRETARY	DATE
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