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Residents are invited to a public hearing on SB 583, the “Oregon Consumer Identity Theft Protection Act,” to be held at Harris Hall at the Lane County Courthouse from noon – 2pm on Friday March 9th. The public hearing is being held by the Senate Commerce Committee, chaired by Senator Floyd Prozanski, (D-Eugene). Other members of the committee include Vice Chair Senator Roger Beyer (R-Molalla), Senator Avel Gordly (I-Portland), Senator Brad Avakian (D-Portland/Beaverton) and Senator Rod Monroe (D-Portland).

The Oregon Consumer Identity Theft Protection Act is a comprehensive consumer protection bill which gives Oregonians added protections for preventing identity theft. The act is the product of a broad based work group led by Senator Prozanski. The work group, which included industry representatives and consumer groups, met for 7 months.

Senate Commerce Committee Chair Senator Floyd Prozanski said the Act will allow Oregon consumers to control access to their private information. “The best way to combat identity theft is to give Oregonians the tools to control their own information. This Act gives Oregon residents common sense tools to control who has access to their personal information and requires companies to notify residents if the information gets in the wrong hands.”

The Senate Commerce Committee welcomes comments on the Oregon Consumer Identity Theft Protection Act from interested residents. Those interested in testifying should bring 10 copies of their testimony to submit to the committee. Copies of the bill can be obtained by contacting committee staff at (503) 986-1643, or accessing the legislature's web site www.leg.state.or.us.