



The Illinois Department of Corrections

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Via Email (reports@ilga.gov)

Re: Unauthorized Access of Employee Data

Honorable Members of the Illinois General Assembly:

In accordance with the provisions of the Personal Information Protection Act, 815 ILCS 530/25, I am writing to report a breach of security we experienced at the Illinois Department of Corrections. On Friday, June 13, 2024, I was notified that personal information of some current and former employees of the Illinois Department of Corrections had been compromised. I received additional information on Monday, June 15, including that the breach potentially affected more than 250 Illinois residents. This breach was the result of paper documents being improperly stored at Danville Correctional Center. A box of 2018 payroll records was left unsecured and accessible to certain individuals in custody. The Department has determined the records were accessed and documents are missing from the box. The personal information in question included names and social security numbers. It appears there were approximately 350 current and former employees affected by the incident, most of whom are Illinois residents. Since the breach was discovered, the Department's Investigations and Intel Unit has undertaken an investigation to determine the full scope of the breach.

In short order, appropriate notification of this breach will be furnished to all employees whose personal information has been compromised. Additionally, we are taking steps to prevent future breaches of this nature. It is our intention to see that such episodes are not repeated at the Department.

Should you have questions or comments concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Respectfully,

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