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**Subject:** FW: SC Dept. of Revenue ID Theft ~ Website email from Reese Massey

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Katherine,

Senator Courson received the following email from a constituent, Reese Massey, and asked that it be forwarded to you for input and directives. Thank you for assistance.

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**From:** rmmjr@att.net [mailto:rmmjr@att.net]  
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**Subject:** SC Dept. of Revenue ID Theft ~ Website email from Reese Massey

Senator Courson, I have also voiced my opinion to Nathan Balentine on this same subject Nov. 27. The recent disclosure from the State Revenue Department concerning the theft of sensitive personal information of over 3 million taxpayers in S.C. is absolutely staggering and unbelievable. My wife and I reviewed our records back to 2004 with our accountant and found we could be very vulnerable since they gained access to our bank routing number and bank account number. Our social security numbers were also stolen. The Governor in her magnanimous generosity said the State would give us some protection for one year. The information stolen from us through the careless inattention of an incompetent Revenue Department Director will be in the hands of hackers until the world comes to an end. My wife and I both expect the State to be absolutely diligent with all personal information we submit in trust. We, as citizens of S.C. have no choice but to submit the tax information that is required to file our tax returns each year. The State has an obligation and trust to safeguard our information and protect it from those who would steal it. Not only did the State of S.C. fail to protect us the Governor insulted our intelligence by downplaying the incident as being unavoidable. The Governor is too busy out of State taking care of her own interest when she should be staying here at home and looking after the citizens of S.C. . Should the Governor find some more jobs maybe she can find one for herself. She is going to need it! Senator, I have not heard a word from the Department of Revenue or anyone else about our individual situation. The Governor stated we would receive a letter. Where is the letter? I truly feel the State, the Governor, The Department of Revenue and the Security Company hired to prevent this from happening are all responsible and should be held absolutely accountable to all of us whose information was stolen. This is going to become a watershed issue just as soon as the first fraud and theft cases arrive. My State has really let me down and set me up and I really resent it! Senator Courson, I hope you will take this issue seriously and pursue some better solutions for us ripped off citizens than our self absorbed Governor has done! Thank you for your attention, Reese and Daisy Massey

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