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**Date:** 2/14/2013 2:47:19 PM  
**Subject:** E-mail to Senator Tom Young  
**Attachments:** CASpecialEditionFINAL.pdf

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Dr. Perrine,

My name is Chrystal Laughlin. I am currently helping constituents with questions and concerns regarding the Department of Revenue security breach. I received your e-mail from Senator Tom Young.

While there are other ways thieves use your identity, the most common ways are:

- ☐ Misuse of your social security number to get a job or other benefits
- ☐ Income tax fraud
- ☐ Medical identity theft

The attached Consumer Alert publication from the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs provides more information on ways to protect your identity and what to do if you find yourself a victim of identity theft.

I would be happy to research why you received the e-mail from Experian, since you have not filed electronically. The information that was compromised in the security breach came from electronic tax filings. This can include electronic payments made to the Department of Revenue or business filings/registration information.

I will need additional information to perform the search. Is there a telephone number where I can reach you? You may also contact me at 803.898.7638 for more information.

Sincerely,

Chrystal Laughlin

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**From:** tom@tomyoungforsenate.com[SMTP:TOM@TOMYOUNGFORSENATE.COM]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2013 12:14:25 PM  
**To:** Laughlin, Chrystal  
**Subject:** Chrystal -- constituent question  
**Auto forwarded by a Rule**  
**Chrystal:** Can you contact Mr. Perrine to answer his questions? Thank you. Tom

----- Original Message -----

**Subject:** Request for Clarification  
**From:** Ken Perrine <ken1.nancy1@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Fri, February 08, 2013 9:24 am  
**To:** tom@senatortomyoung.com

Hello, Tom. You seem to be fitting nicely into your new job, based on what we see in your newsletters and in news reports. Congratulations, and keep up the good work.

We are writing this email as a personal message, but would not bother you with it if we did not think it might not impact many other South Carolina citizens.

Last year we all heard of the hack of SC tax records by some unknown criminal perpetrator. Following instructions from Governor Haley, we then signed up for credit protection through Protect My ID.

Some time later, additional information in the Aiken Standard indicated that only those who had submitted state income tax returns via electronic means were actually at risk from the hack. We breathed a sigh of relief, because we have always submitted federal and state tax returns through the mail, never electronically.

Then, much to our surprise, on February 1st each of us received emails from Experian informing us that at least some of our personal information had in fact been compromised in the hack.

We now understand that our Social Security numbers have been compromised, even if our bank account numbers have not. What we – and perhaps many thousands of our fellow citizens – would like to know is what the possible consequences of such compromise might be. Why is this important to us? Because, like many other senior citizens, we are at least partially dependent on Social Security as a means of income in retirement.

So, to bring this to a close, a question: Do you think you and/or your senatorial colleagues could influence the governor's office to come forth with additional clarification as to possible impact of the compromise of Social Security numbers?

Thank you, and kind regards,  
Dr. and Mrs Kenneth Perrine  
Aiken