Currently, except in the case of identity theft, a consumer reporting agency may charge up to $10 for each of the following “security freeze actions”: (1) placing a security freeze on a person’s consumer report, or the consumer report of a protected individual; (2) releasing a consumer report while a security freeze is in place; or (3) removing a security freeze.

**2017 Assembly Bill 565**

2017 Assembly Bill 565 prohibits a consumer reporting agency from charging a fee for any of the security freeze actions described above.

**Assembly Substitute Amendment 1**

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 prohibits each consumer reporting agency from charging a fee for the first 12 security freeze actions that a person requests from that consumer reporting agency during a calendar year. The consumer reporting agency may charge up to $10 per additional security freeze action within the same calendar year, except in the case of identity theft.

**Bill History**

On January 8, 2018, Representative Ott offered Assembly Substitute Amendment 1. On January 9, 2018, the Assembly Committee on Consumer Protection unanimously recommended adoption of the amendment. The committee then unanimously recommended passage of 2017 Assembly Bill 565, as amended.

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