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Fraud Alert: Scammers Threaten License Revocation Via Text Message

Sacramento, CA – The Contractors State License Board (CSLB) has learned of a new text message scam targeting licensees. In the most recent scheme, an individual sends a text message to licensees stating, “Inspect your type c and b license immediately for accuracy to avoid revocation” and links to a non-CSLB website.

Please be advised that CSLB staff will never use text message to contact licensees and will not ask for confidential information via text message.

NEVER disclose personal information, such as your full social security number, date of birth, or credit/debit card numbers, without first taking steps to verify that the person requesting the information has a legitimate need for it.

If you receive a text message from an individual asking about the status of your license or attempting to gather personal information or collect payment, please:

- Take down the text message information (including phone number and content of text message). Do NOT click the link or provide any personal information or payments.
- Contact CSLB at social@cslb.ca.gov or on CSLB’s Facebook, Twitter or Instagram.
- Visit the Federal Trade Commission’s website on phishing scams and the FBI’s website on phishing and spoofing.

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