

Attached are letters from those who have responded thus far to the letter that the Economic Affairs Committee sent regarding social security number use in state and local government. Some entities responded by phone or email.

Responses to letters sent in February regarding Privacy Act of 1974 and use of social security numbers:

- Governor's office - emails sent to departments (don't have a copy yet)
- AG's office - email sent out (don't have a copy yet)
- Secretary of State's Office (responded by phone) - no request of SSNs or tax ID #s but if UCC liens are filed, these contain tax IDs or SSNs and people can buy master list of these liens. Federal law requires Secretary of State to provide all information that it has. Might be difficult to redact because SSN is in different place in different documents. (per Mark Simonich) When asked whether the one form that requires SSNs could include an explanation that this is required per federal statute, the Secretary of State's office agreed to make that internal change on the document (per Mark Simonich and Janice Doggett)
- OPI - OPI is working on identifier issues. Madalyn Quinlan has promised information.
- State Auditor - Karen Powell is working on this.
- Chief Justice - Karla Gray responded. See attached letter.
- Commissioner of Higher Education - Ray Ford with UM is working with other IT people on issue. See attached letter from Sheila Stearns. Contact from Montana Tech person.
- MACO - The MACO attorney has concerns about the letter. See attached email.
- Montana League of Cities and Towns - no response