Equifax To Pay Mass. \$18.2 Million In Settlement, AG Healey Announces

"Equifax will pay Massachusetts \$18.2 million and change its security practices as part of a settlement between the credit reporting agency and the state stemming from a major 2017 data breach, Attorney General Maura Healey announced Friday," reports Chris Lisinski in WBUR's **Bostonomix**.

"Healey sued Equifax shortly after the company's alleged missteps exposed personal data, including Social Security numbers and driver's license numbers, of 147 million Americans and 3 million Massachusetts residents. The attorney general said the company also failed to notify consumers in a timely manner once the breach occurred."

"Her office reached its own settlement with Equifax about nine months after declining to join other states in July 2019 agreements, which the attorney general told reporters allowed Massachusetts to secure a larger payment and more strict conditions on the company."

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