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Sheriff's Office Warns of Traffic Citation Scam

Pueblo, CO: The Pueblo County Sheriff's Office is warning residents of an online scam with scammers seeking payment from individuals for traffic infractions.

Residents reported receiving an email or text message alerting them of an outstanding ticket from an alleged traffic violation. The message states the individual must pay the ticket within 72 hours. The notice also includes an approximate location of where the citation occurred. The scammers request the ticket be paid only online through an "EasyPay" center. The notice also provides an option to contest the infraction by clicking on a link to the Department of Motor Vehicles.

The Sheriff's Office reminds individuals that law enforcement does not notify people through email or text messages of a traffic infraction. Additionally, citations are not handled through the Department of Motor Vehicles.

If an individual does receive such a message, they are urged to not click on any links associated with the message. They should not provide any personal information, including credit card or bank account numbers. If an individual has given personal or financial information to the suspected scammer, sheriff's investigators recommend they contact their financial institution and obtain credit reports to ensure their identity has not been stolen or fraudulently used.

If you are unsure whether a message you receive is legitimate, call the sheriff's office for verification. If you have information about the scam call the sheriff's office at (719) 583-6250.

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