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The following is the detail on all the RX verifications I have received since the first week in February. I work for a \$1.5 million eyecenter in the suburbs of Chicago. I have seen 104 contact lens examinations and dispensed 214 pairs of contact lenses in the time frame that the law has been in effect. I have received 22 verifications for CL Rx's in this time. 19 from 1-800Contacts and 3 from Lensmart. It is hard for me to believe my patients have used no other service. Of these 22, 91% were expired (exam over one year ago), 14% my office has never fit for contact lenses, 18% faxes were sent afterhours giving our office no chance to return the verification within 8 hours. Our office is open 6 days per week a total of 54.5 hours.

This law has a high potential for abuse considering there is motive for the consumer because they can save money by not having their eyes examined routinely and by the supplier because they stand to make more income with less hassle without following the law. Someone needs to police this situation and the legal ramifications of law breaking need to be determined, maintained, and executed.

| RX Veri # | Day | Date   | Time  |
|-----------|-----|--------|-------|
| 6429932   | Thu | 25-Mar | 15:02 |
| 6417844   | Wed | 24-Mar | 0:31  |
| 6407476   | Mon | 22-Mar | 15:38 |
| 35453121  | Sun | 21-Mar | 7:25  |
| 35426931  | Sat | 20-Mar | 12:25 |
| 6393896   | Sat | 20-Mar | 8:20  |
| 6381974   | Thu | 18-Mar | 10:07 |
| 6374950   | Wed | 17-Mar | 10:22 |
| 6358253   | Mon | 15-Mar | 11:05 |
| 6356640   | Mon | 15-Mar | 8:49  |
| 6345831   | Fri | 12-Mar | 22:29 |
| 6344601   | Fri | 12-Mar | 16:00 |
| 6325719   | Wed | 10-Mar | 8:07  |
| 34595811  | Mon | 8-Mar  | 8:45  |
| 6305122   | Sun | 7-Mar  | 11:28 |
| 6208892   | Sat | 21-Feb | 12:28 |
| 6254319   | ?   | ?      | ?     |
| 6238926   | ?   | ?      | ?     |
| 6245855   | ?   | ?      | ?     |
| 6204392   | ?   | ?      | ?     |
| 6182864   | ?   | ?      | ?     |
| 6468577   | Thu | 1-Apr  | 8:58  |

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| Co          | Expired  | Correct | Last exam |
|-------------|----------|---------|-----------|
| 800Cont     | yes      | yes     | 2002      |
| 800Cont     | neverfit |         |           |
| 800Cont     | yes      | yes     | 2002      |
| lensmartyes | yes      |         | 2002      |
| lensmartyes | yes      |         | 2002      |

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|------------|----------|------|------|
| 800Cont    | yes      | yes  | 2001 |
| 800Cont    | yes      | yes  | 2001 |
| 800Cont    | yes      | yes  | 2002 |
| 800Cont    | yes      | yes  | 1999 |
| 800Cont    | neverfit |      |      |
| 800Cont    | yes      | no   | 2000 |
| 800Cont    | neverfit |      |      |
| 800Cont    | no       | yes  |      |
| lensmartno | no       | 2003 |      |
| 800Cont    | yes      | yes  | 1999 |
| 800Cont    | yes      | yes  | 2001 |
| 800Cont    | yes      | yes  | 2001 |
| 800Cont    | yes      | yes  | 2002 |
| 800Cont    | yes      | yes  | 2001 |
| 800Cont    | yes      | yes  | 2002 |
| 800Cont    | yes      | yes  | 2002 |
| 800Cont    | yes      | yes  | 2003 |