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Beware of Email Scam Touting IRS Refund

The Somerset County Consumer Affairs Division and Somerset County Office on Aging are warning residents of an email scam that purports to come from the Internal Revenue Service.

The Office on Aging itself received such an email with the heading "Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury" on a dark blue or black background.

The email message reads: "After the last annual calculations of your fiscal activity we have determined that you are eligible to receive a tax refund of \$93.60. Please submit the tax refund request and allow us 6-9 days in order to process it. A refund can be delayed for a variety of reasons. For example submitting invalid records or applying after the deadline. To access the form for your tax refund, please click here."

However, the domain name for this website has been suspended, so recipients are advised not to click on the link provided. The IRS has confirmed that the email is bogus.

If you have received an email like this, contact the county Consumer Affairs Division at (908) 203-6080 or consumeraffairs@co.somerset.nj.us.