

## CEP Magazine – May 2019 New York State Department of Financial Services investigates Facebook

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After a Wall Street Journal report detailed how Facebook collects sensitive information from third-party applications, New York Governor Andrew Cuomo directed the Department of Financial Services to investigate.

“The recent report that Facebook is accessing far more personal information of smartphone users than previously reported, including health and other sensitive data, represents an invasion of privacy and breach of consumer trust,” the governor was quoted as saying in a press release. “According to the report, a wide range of apps are sending highly personal data to the social media giant apparently without users’ consent and even when users are not logged in through Facebook.”

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