



Data Privacy Deep Dive: The California Consumer Privacy Act

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What is the CCPA and why is it a big deal?

- **Game-changing new privacy law** broadly applicable to **businesses** (regardless of location) that collect **personal information** about California residents
- **Substantial new rights** for CA residents
- **Significant operational impacts** for covered business, requires significant time and effort to prepare, but some details of the law will likely change
- **High potential fines** for privacy violations
- Potentially **massive class action liability** for data breaches
- **Broad definitions and scope**
- **Took effect January 1, 2020** (CA Attorney General is to issue implementing regulations by 7/1)
 - Privacy provisions enforceable by CA AG **July 1, 2020**
 - Data breach private right of action available from **January 1, 2020 - no grace period**

Key Components - Overview

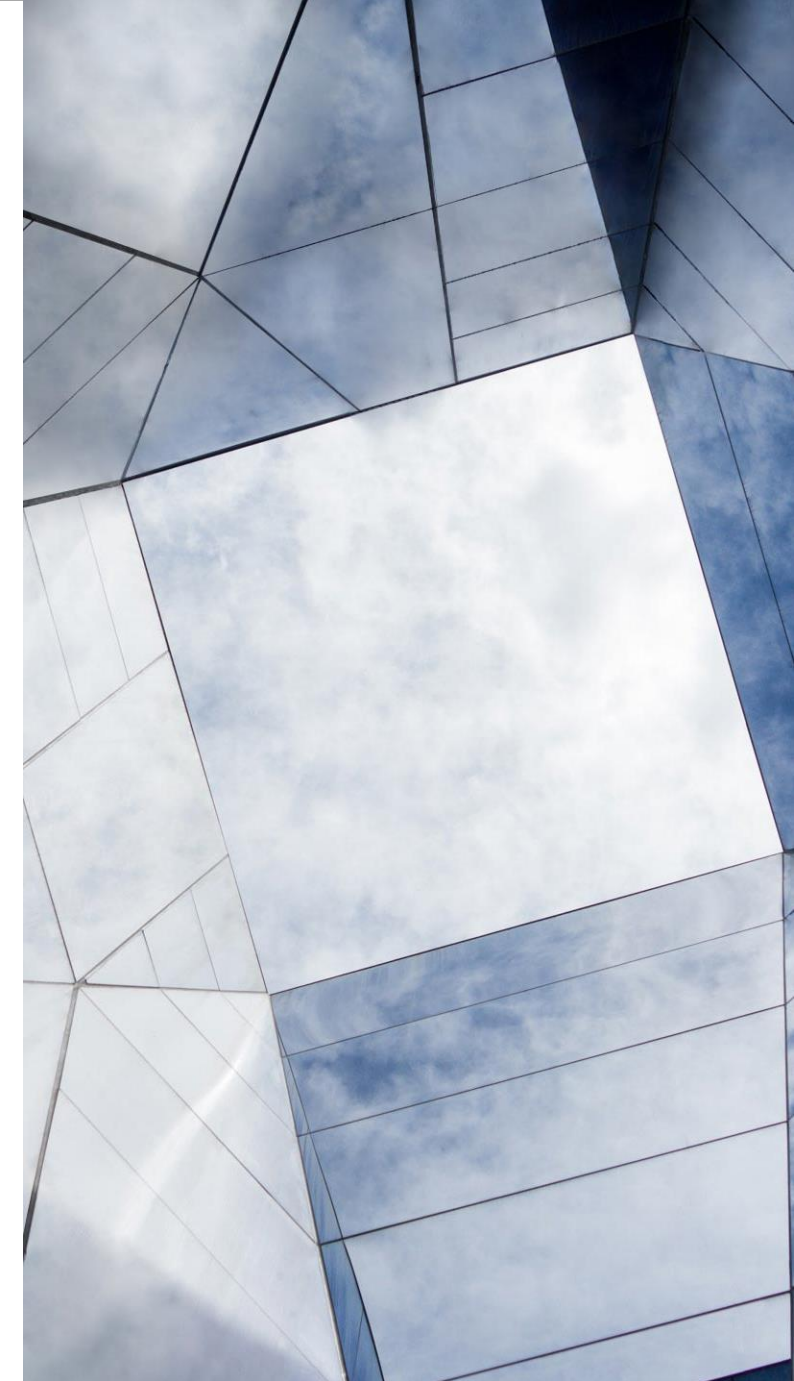
- **New Consumer Rights** (access, deletion, opt-out, information, non-discrimination)
- **New Transparency Requirements**
 - **Notice** of collection and use at or before collection
 - **Privacy policy** requirements
 - **Website updates** and consumer rights mechanisms
- **Vendor and third party management**
 - “Service providers”
 - Third party disclosures
 - Resale of data
- **Private statutory damage right of action** for data breaches regardless of harm

CCPA Scope – covered businesses

- “**Business**” is any entity that **collects personal information** about California residents and **makes decisions** (alone or jointly with others) about how and why the personal information is processed, **if the business either –**
 - (a) has ***annual gross revenues over \$25 million*** OR
 - (b) annually buys, sells, shares, or ***receives personal information of 50,000+ consumers***, OR
 - (c) derives 50% or more of annual revenue from selling personal information
- Also includes parents or subsidiaries (with common branding) of businesses that meet the above
 - But **lateral affiliates are treated as separate companies**
- **Non-profit entities & governments** are not covered
- **Limited exemptions for certain regulated entities**
 - Partial exemption for entities and information covered by certain federal and California health info and financial privacy laws
 - Financial services not exempt from data breach private right of action

California 2020 - CCPA Core Rights

- Transparency → Do Not Sell Button and detailed privacy notice on website
- Right to know about disclosures and sales of personal info (PI)
- Right to opt-out of “sale” of personal information
- Minors <16: Right to opt-in to “sale” of personal information
- Right to deletion of personal information, with exceptions
- Right to request access to personal information
- Right to portability of personal information, if delivered in electronic form
- Right against unreasonable “discrimination” for exercising rights
- Right to sue for statutory damages for many data breaches



Key Components – New Consumer Rights



Individuals have rights to —

- **Access and obtain copy** of personal info collected in past 12 months
- **Learn how a business has handled the individual's personal information in the preceding 12 months:**
 - Categories of personal info collected
 - Sources of personal information (by category)
 - Purposes of collection, use, disclosure and sale
 - Categories of personal information sold and disclosed
 - Categories of third parties to whom personal info has been sold/disclosed
- **Requests may be made up to 2xs/year, free of charge**

Key Components – New Consumer Rights (cont.)



Individuals have the right to –

- **Request deletion** of all personal information
- Business must direct service providers to delete
- Numerous exceptions:
 - Certain internal uses e.g., complete a transaction requested or reasonably expected by consumer, perform a contract with consumer, use compatible with context in which consumer provided personal information
 - Detect and prevent security incidents and fraud
 - Newspapers (free speech)
 - Compliance with law
 - Using the consumer’s information, internally, in a lawful manner that is compatible with the context in which the consumer provided the information

Key Components – New Consumer Rights (cont.)



Individuals have the right to –

- **Opt out of sale** of personal info
 - Home page link to a “**Do Not Sell My Personal Information**” page
 - Resellers of data must confirm compliant notice and opt-out provided
- **Opt-in Consent to sale of minor’s** personal info (< age 16)
→ **New category not addressed in COPPA**

Complying with requests

- **May not charge** for exercising rights
- Must offer **equal service and price**, even if consumers exercise privacy rights, but can offer **different service or charge different price** if difference is “reasonably related to the value” of the consumer’s data
- Must provide, at a minimum, **toll-free number and a website address** (if business maintains a website) so individuals can exercise their rights

Key Components – Enhanced Disclosures



- **Disclosure at or before collection:** must disclose “personal info” collected and its use
 - Prominent hyperlink on home page to this section of privacy policy
- **New privacy policy requirements:**
 - “Do Not Sell My Personal Information” mandatory link to page to website that allows consumer to submit request not to sell his or her data (or household or device data))
 - Describe rights and how to exercise
 - List categories of personal info collected, sold, and disclosed in prior 12 months
 - Describe purposes for collection of personal info

→ **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO PRIVACY STATEMENTS**

Key Components – Service Providers



- Mandatory contract terms for service providers
 - Prohibit recipient from selling the personal information
 - Restrict use of personal information to performing services under contract
 - Prohibit use of personal information outside the direct relationship between person and the (disclosing) business
 - Include a specific CCPA compliance certification regarding above
- Absent terms, vendor will be treated as a “third party” for purposes of disclosures and other obligations
 - **CONSIDER SPECIFYING LISTING DE-IDENTIFICATION AS A USE TO ENABLE ANALYTICS**
- Must notify service providers of deletion requests

Heightened Enforcement Risks



Private right of action and statutory damages of USD \$100-\$750 per consumer per violation for unauthorized access and disclosure of *unencrypted or unredacted* personal information, *if company did not have “reasonable” security*

- AG posts breach notices where > 500 CA residents on its public website
- No requirement to prove harm, very expensive eDiscovery
→ **significant class action risk if have notifiable breach!**
- **Enforcement of privacy and security provisions by California Attorney General with penalties** of up to \$2,500 (\$7,500 if intentional) per violation

Operational Impacts and Considerations

Know your data

- Identify, inventory, and map data flows at a level sufficient to meet CCPA requirements
- **Key considerations and challenges**
 - Expanded personal info definition (linkable to an individual or household), establishing “household” relationships
 - Data sources and original acquisition channel
 - Identify categories of personal info, recipients, and purposes for both third party disclosures and (separately) third party sales
 - California residency determination

Operational Impacts and Considerations

- **Governance changes**
 - Makes information governance, including of marketing practices, essential
 - Data can no longer be sold or entrusted to 3rd parties without approval and tracking
- **Privacy disclosures**
 - Inventory and update privacy policies, and plan process for rolling out new policies
 - Update or introduce new notices *at or before collection*

Operational Impacts and Considerations (cont.)

Implement opt-out requirements

- Create opt-out mechanism, front and back end
- Post “Do Not Sell My Personal Information” link
- **Key Considerations and Challenges**
 - Determining validity of consumer request, preparing for 3rd parties to opt consumers out
 - Front end implementation (how does consumer communicate request to the business) +
 - Back end implementation (how does the business communicate and respond to that request throughout the organization/systems).
 - Resolving Opt-out discrepancies across data acquisition channels
 - Resolving conflicting Opt-out requests for household or device data

Operational Impacts and Considerations (cont.)

Vendor and Third Party Management

- Identify, inventory, and gather agreements with the specific third parties with whom the business shares information
- For each, assess whether the business “sells” personal info or “discloses personal information fore a business purpose”
- Review and update service provider agreements

Operational Impacts and Considerations (cont.)

Establish processes and mechanisms for individual rights requests

- Data mapping, processes, and channels for individual requests
 - Determine what data elements are subject to access and deletion requests, and how they will be pulled and provided to individuals
- Train employees
- **Key Considerations and Challenges**
 - Determining validity of consumer request
 - 12-month look-back
 - “California Data Segregation” strategy challenges
 - Whether can be provided in a portable/useable format

Key Components – Compliance Management



Assess security measures and breach risks

- Map all “breach notice data”
- Seriously consider obtaining agreement to an enforceable class action waiver clause
- Consider “encryption” or redaction defense/exception to notice (if a tree falls in the forest . . .)
- Consider reasonable security defenses (e.g., ISO 27001, NIST, CA AG Guidance on Online Security Controls)
- Review your and your vendors’ cyberinsurance
- Assess and address vendor risk

Implications for M&A

- Provisions specifically targeted at corporate transactions
- Limitations on use of data purchased through transaction; if data (e.g., customer list) is a key asset, potential valuation issue
- Careful attention to diligence for analytics companies – broad definition of “personal information” brings companies into the regulatory fold (i.e., previously, their data collection was not PII such that they did not have protections in place for data)
- Consider Do Not Sell Compliance
 - Draft regs indicate that information collected before do not sell notice is posted will not be able to be sold

Why It's So Hard – Very confusing

- Closed door deal, drafted in 3 weeks, only made public 1 week before passage
 - Insufficiently vetted and proofed!
- 23+ single spaced pages of dense, ambiguous text, hard to understand
- Lots of mistakes –Conflicting paragraphs about the same topic
 - Numerous cross-references to provisions in other subsections of the bill law, requiring leafing back and forth to understand what a provision means
 - Key definitions are unclear, counter-intuitive or don't make sense
- AG's Office has proposed clarifying only some of these ambiguities in 7/2020 draft rules

Why It's Hard - Sweeping Definitions

- Must Identify and manage personal information that is/may be subject to CCPA:
 - **Consumer** currently includes any California **resident** (B2B contacts, employees have partial 1 year moratorium)
 - **Personal information** is “any information that directly or indirectly identifies, relates to, describes or **can reasonably be associated with** or reasonably linked to a California resident, device or household”
 - **De-Identified data exception is almost meaningless** – **circular with the PI definition**, except if data are aggregated or cannot reasonably be associated with a resident (unlike FTC standard)
 - **Collection** includes buying, renting, obtaining, gathering, **receiving**, accessing (**actively or passively**) PI, or deriving PI information from other information
 - **Sale** includes making available or disclosure of personal information for anything of value in return (not just monetary value)

Why It's Hard - Sweeping Definitions

- **What is not a sale?**
 - Transfers to service providers if specific contractual obligations are met
 - Transfer directed by the consumer, or the consumer intends to interact with the third party
 - Transfer of personal info as part of a merger, acquisition, etc.
 - Sharing identifier to communicate opt-out status

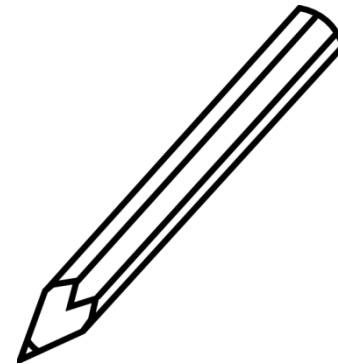
Personal Information Conundrum

Companies need to reassess how they think about data

- Must be able to respond to deletion, access, portability, do not “sell” and non-discrimination requirements for this sweeping range of data
 - How to identify, track and act on PI received from different channels that is not identified?
 - Need to identify CA resident data from a wide range of identifiers
 - Need to make data more retrievable → strong incentive to create data lakes
 - Need to authenticate requester, including requests by agents
 - Need to track do not sell requests
- Must account upon request for types of disclosures and “sales” of “PI”
- Need to notify service providers of data deletion requests

GDPR - Rights of Individuals (May 2018)

- Information (notice) prior to actual data processing
- Right of access
- Right to correct personal data
- Right to object
- Right to restriction
- Right to data portability
- Right to be forgotten vs. 1st Amendment
- Right not to be subject to automated decision making



Challenges for GDPR Programs

- **Control processes** designed for GDPR unlikely to be fit for CCPA without amendment
- **Different scope and definitions** (devices, household information, publicly available information, health and financial data)
- **Different data subject rights**
- **Different privacy notices**
- **GDPR data mapping not sufficient**
- **Commercial agreements** amended for GDPR need to be further amended (specific terms to avoid qualification as ‘third party’, cooperation in responding to deletion requests)
- **CCPA keeps changing**

High-level comparison – GDPR and CCPA

Compliance with GDPR is NOT Enough (about 70%)

	GDPR	CCPA
Data definition	Any information related to an identified or identifiable living natural person	Broader definition includes information that relates to, or is capable of being associated with , an individual, device, or household
Privacy policy/notices	More detailed notices, layered approach acceptable, distinction between data collected from individual vs. collected from other sources	Less detailed notices + prescriptive as to placement of notices and manner in which it must be given
Sale of data	No absolute right to opt-out of sale, but conditional rights to object to processing Rights to access with narrow exceptions	Right to opt-out of disclosure (sale), subject to limited exceptions; entity must display opt-out link on website Right of access limited to data collection in past 12 months; fewer explicit exemptions

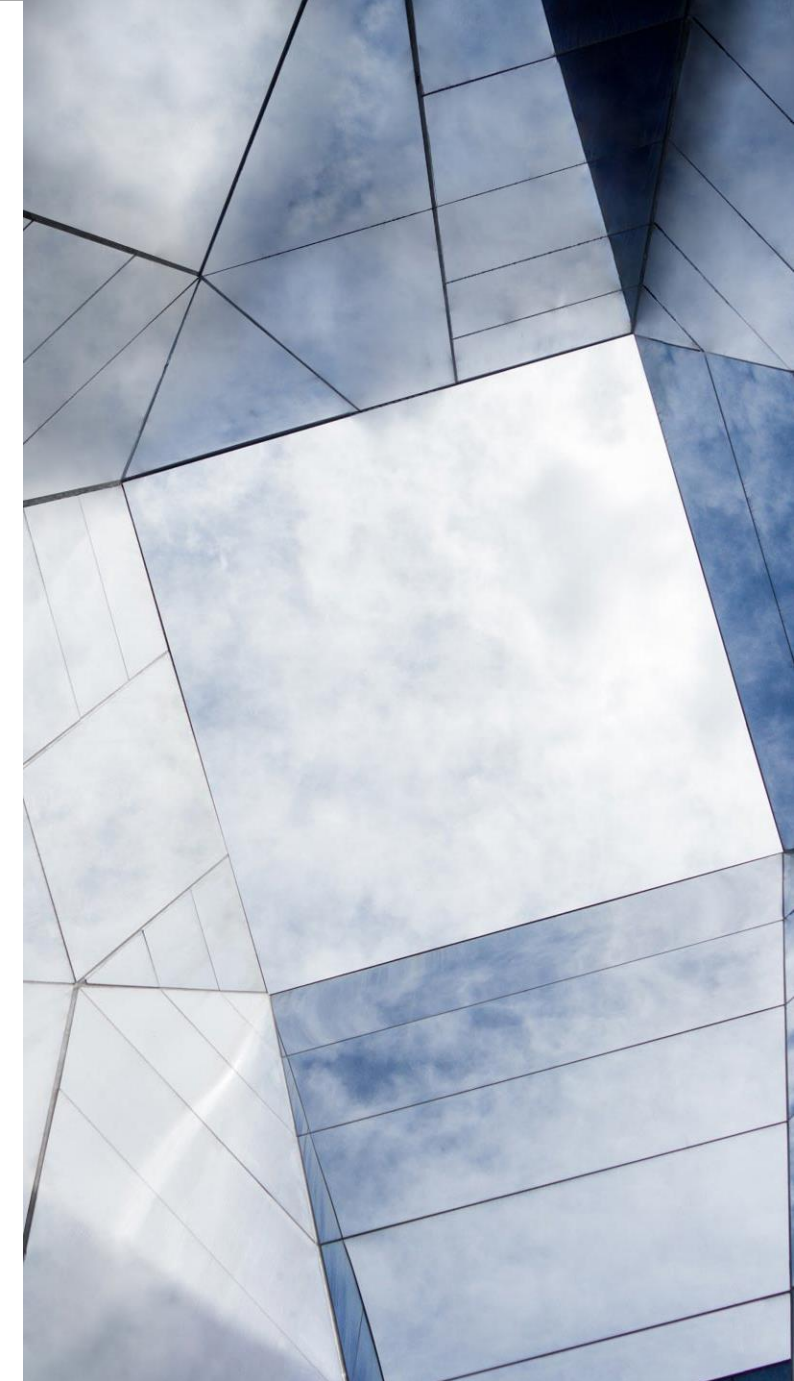
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Individual rights	<p>Conditional rights to erasure, to object to processing and to restrict processing</p> <p>Right to portability with broader exceptions and narrower range of in-scope data</p> <p>No explicit right against discrimination but discrimination may render processing unlawful</p>	<p>Conditional right to erasure, no right to object to processing, no right of restriction or amendment</p> <p>Right of portability with fewer exceptions and broader range of in-scope data</p> <p>Right against unreasonable discrimination for exercising rights</p>
Class actions	<p>No class actions for statutory damages</p>	<p>Data breach class action for statutory damages</p>
Enforcement	<p>Antitrust-sized administrative fines (up to 4% global group revenue for serious violations)</p>	<p>Potentially high California AG enforcement (\$7,500 per violation if intentional)</p>

CCPA Key 2019 Amendments

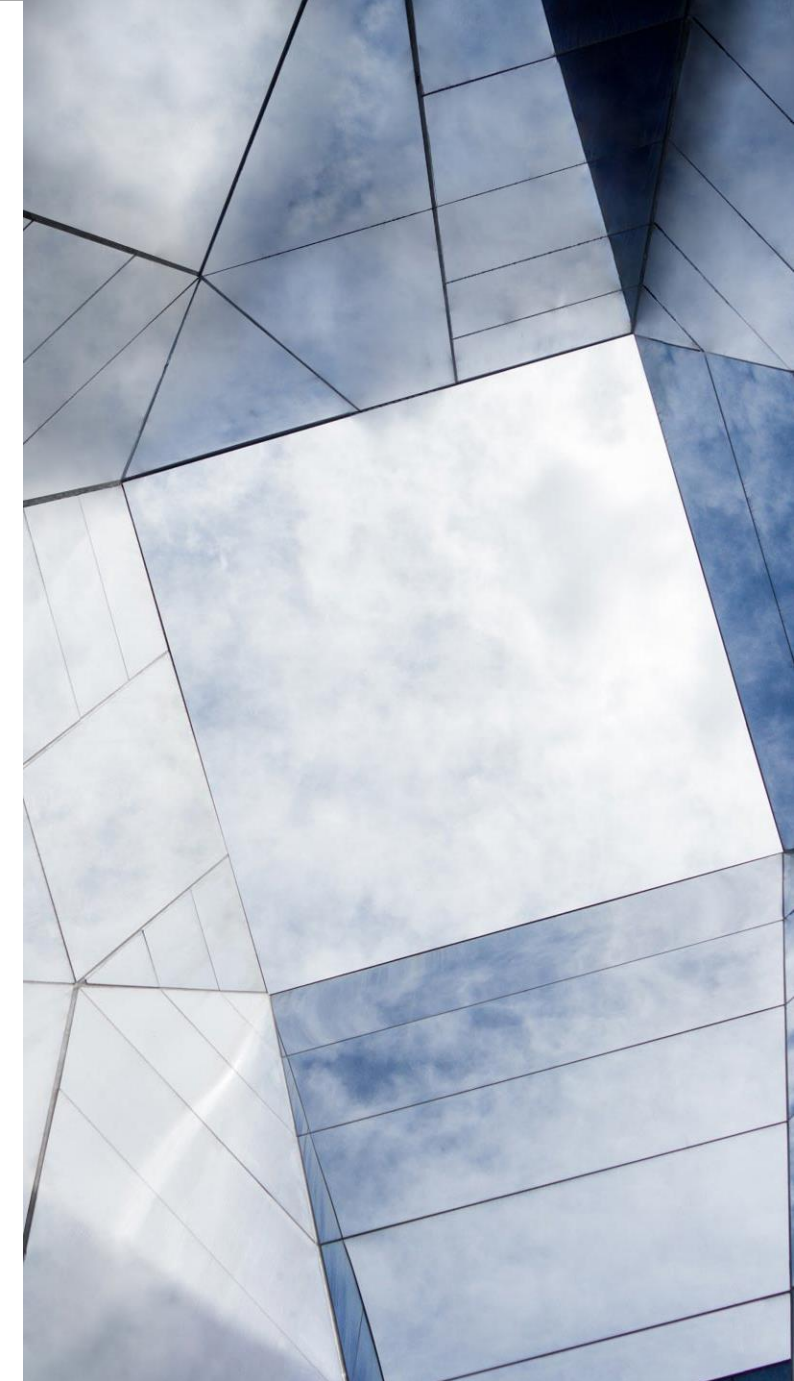
- I. **Personal Information:** any information that directly or indirectly identifies, relates to, describes or can **reasonably** be associated with or linked to a California resident or household
- II. **All public record data exempt:** eliminating condition that the information be used for a purpose consistent with the purpose for which the record is made available (AB 874)
- III. **Vehicle recall, warranty and product recall info:** exemptions including for retention and sharing PI between dealers and manufacturers used for that purpose (AB 1146)
- IV. **Narrow Toll-Free Number obligation for online companies:** if business is exclusively online, may offer only a website and email address to submit consumer requests (AB 1564)



CCPA 2019 Amendments

VI. “Consumer” sort of means consumer for 1 year at least:

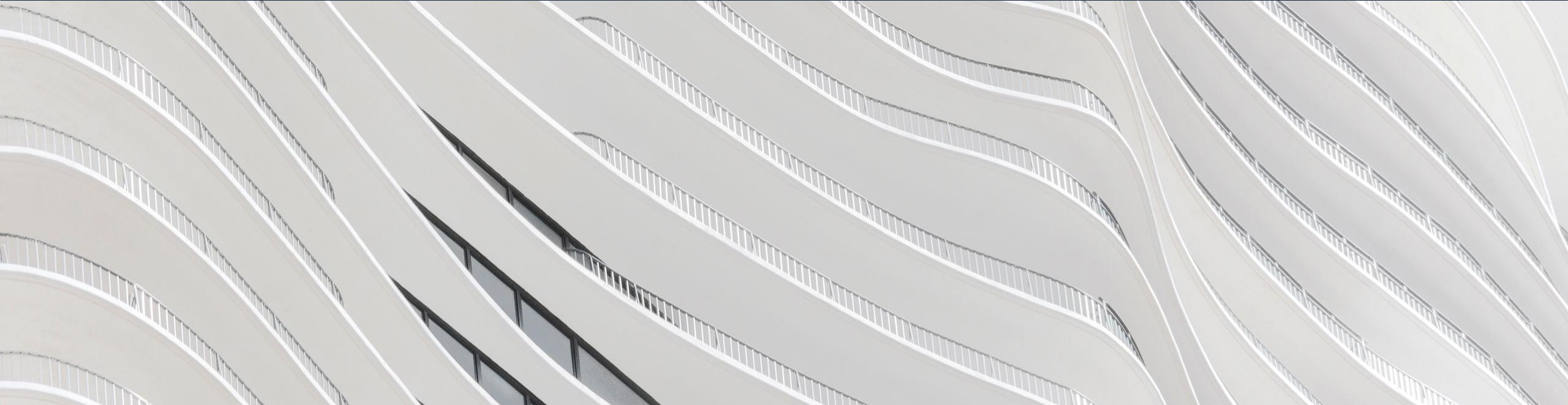
- Moratorium for employee, contractor, executive and beneficiary data if collected and used solely in that context (AB 25)
 - Still need to provide short-form notice at or before time of action
 - No exemption from data breach class action risk data
- Information obtained in a transaction with or providing a service to a business, non-profit or government entity
 - Not for Marketing
 - Do Not Sell opt-out right and may not “discriminate” if opt out
 - No exemption from data breach class action risk data
 - But No Notice Obligation



Main Compliance Challenges 1 month In

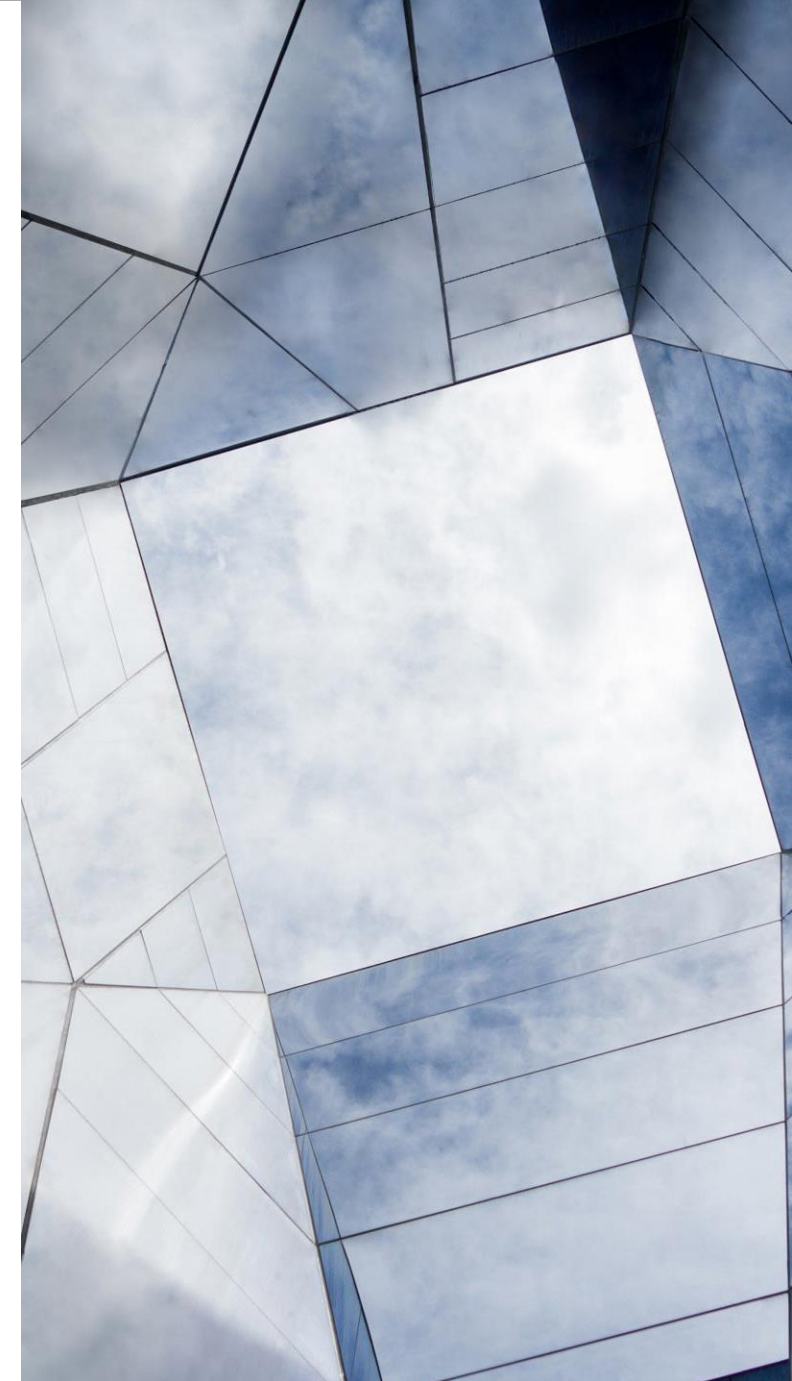
- Data breach risk
 - Only 1 breach notice has been provided to the AG's Office thus far this year . . .
- Selling Personal Information?
 - CCPA definition contemplates allowing behavioral advertising on a site as a sale
 - Google offers restricted disclosure, Facebook moving
 - DAA provides an opt-out icon
 - Privacy advocates complaining about failures to post do not sell
 - Can qualify acknowledgement of a sale
- Vendor management and breach risk ongoing c
- Processing data subject requests
- More changes coming!

CCPA: Moving Target



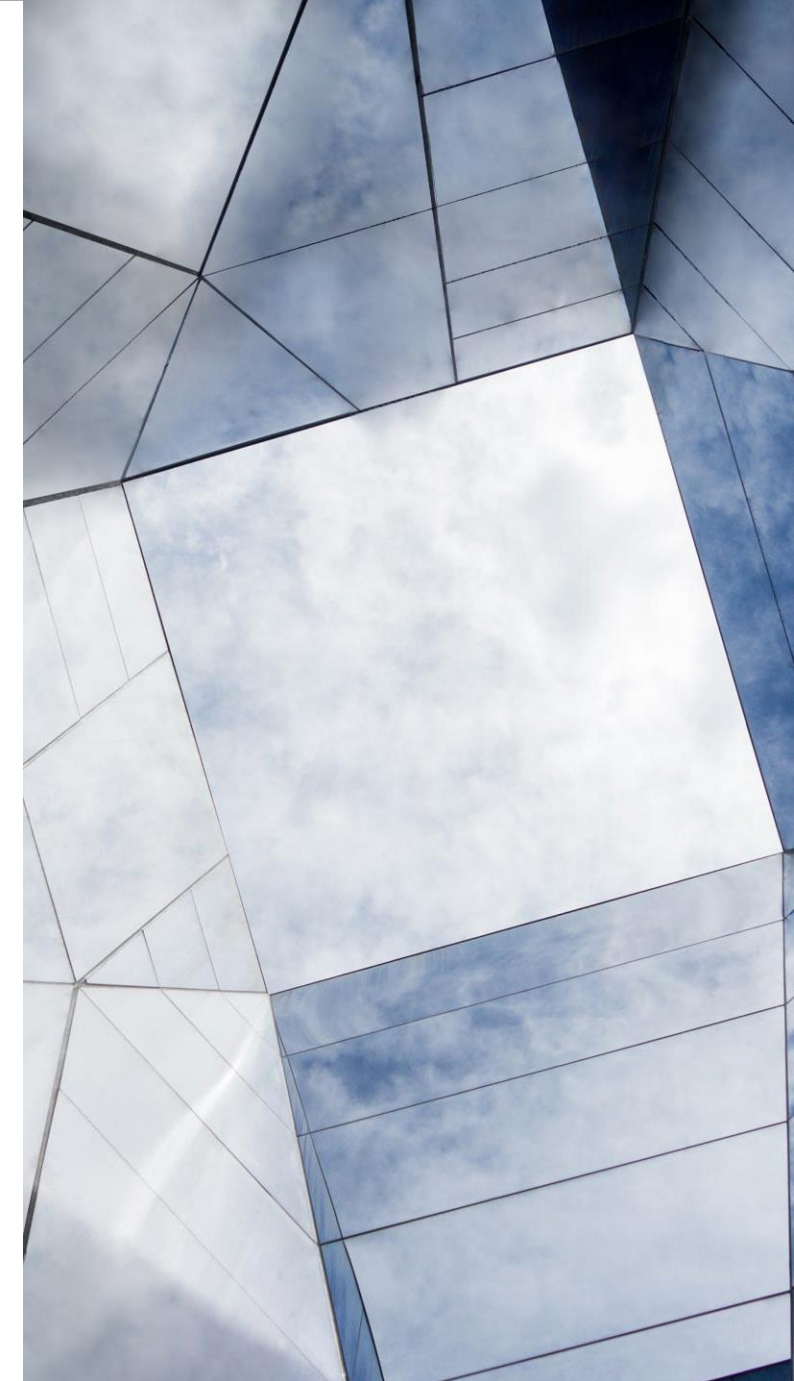
What's Next? - CCPA Rulemaking

- AG Required to Issue Rules Clarifying Several Points in the Law by July 2020
 - What is verified consent?
 - Do Not Sell button and notices, including for incentives
 - Process for submitting and complying with consumer requests
 - Potential expansion of Personal Information
 - Federal law exemptions – trade secrets, IP
 - Rules for consumer authorization of 3rd party agents



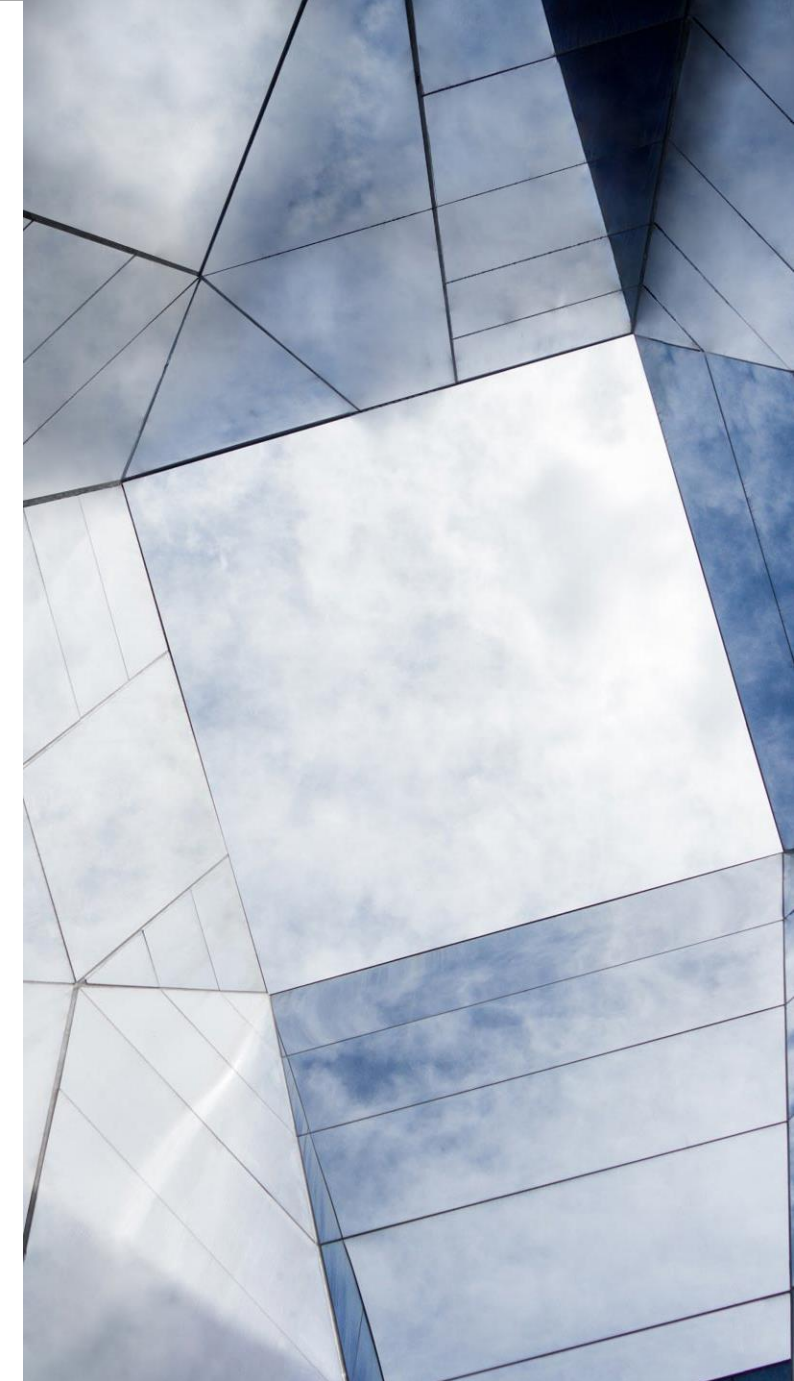
Amendments and Rules Will Not Fix

- Many of the confusing definitions
 - Senate Judiciary Committee blocked clarification of de-identified data
 - Incentive to make all data retrievable in order to comply with requests remains
 - Privacy groups and unions limited employee data exemption to 1 year
 - Senate Judiciary Committee killed bill to prevent fraudsters and hackers from opting out of sale of their data for fraud and hacking prevention
 - Exemption to data deletion for research is limited to non-commercial research



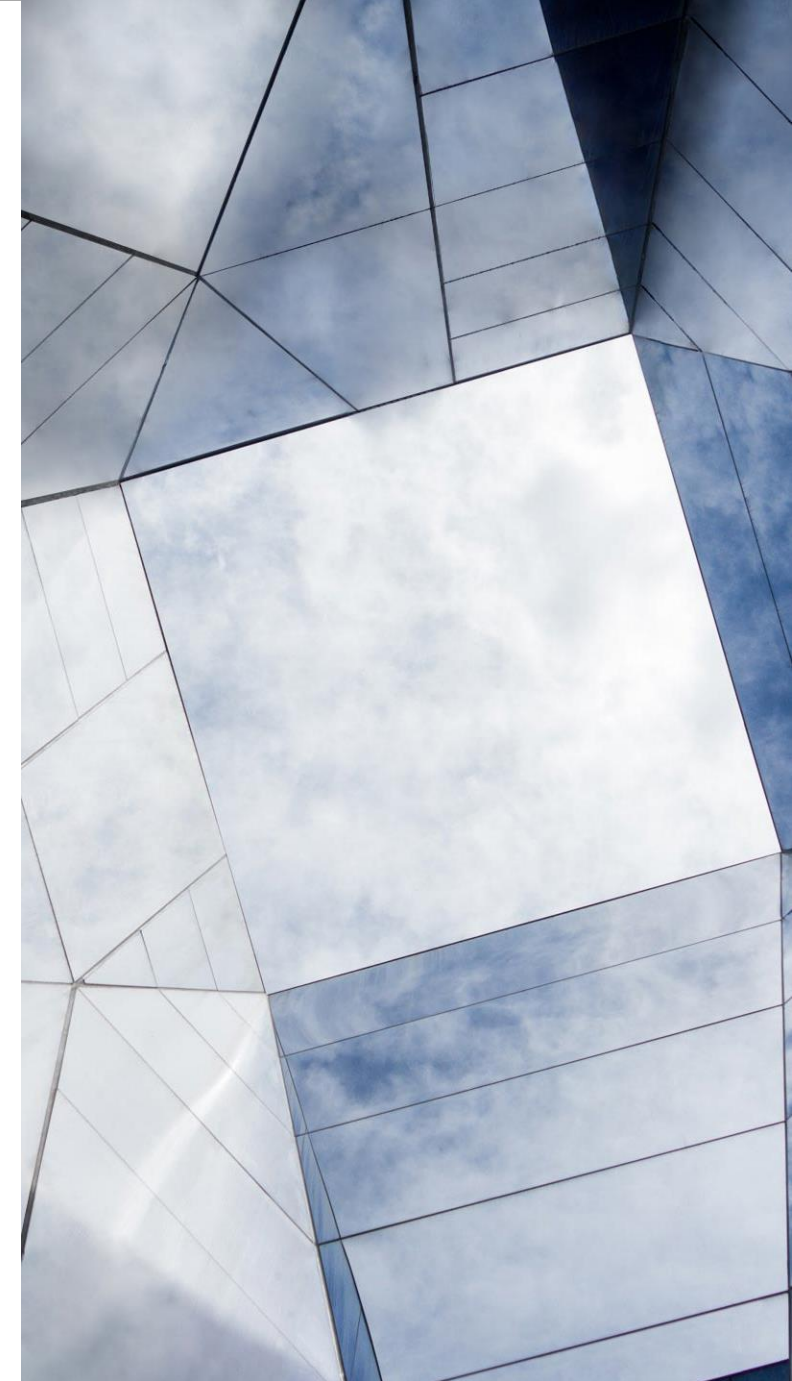
2020 Draft Regulations

- Will be finalized Q2 2020 and take effect 7/1/20
 - Rumor AG will issue second round of draft regs for comment
- Round 1: New Requirements Going Far Beyond CCPA's Text
 - Much more granular notice requirements, including uses of different data types
 - **Opt-in Consent** if leave out uses
 - Blanket Do Not Sell Requests must be accepted via browser and other technical settings
 - **Mini-Do Not Track**
 - Highly prescriptive authentication requirements for access and deletion requests
 - 2-step confirmation of deletion and opt-in requests
 - Potential liability if do not use reasonable verification



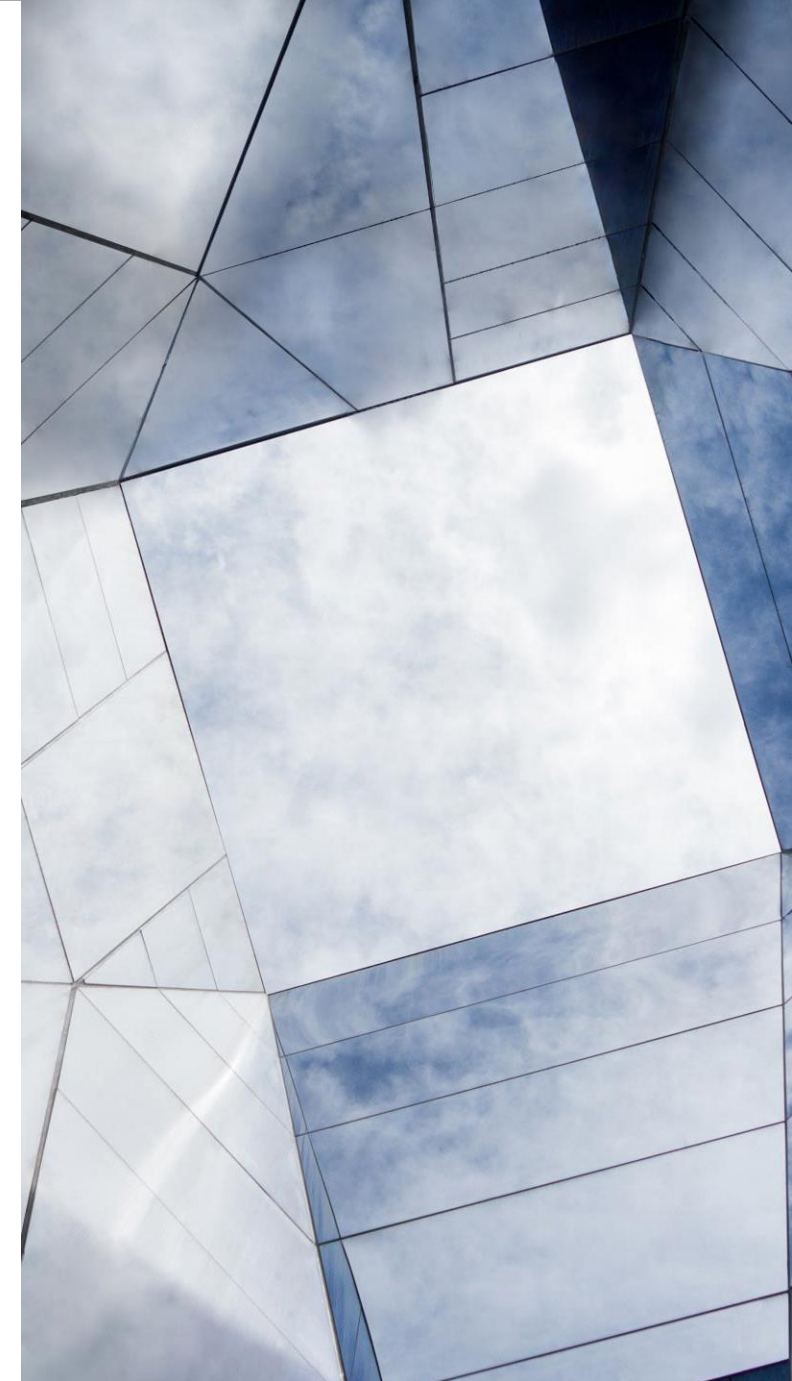
2020 Regulations

- New Requirements Going Far Beyond CCPA's Text
 - May not “resell” personal information obtained from 3rd parties unless obtain a signed attestation from the data source that the CA resident was shown a CCPA compliant privacy notice.
 - Extensive notice and data valuation requirements for incentive programs for consumers to waive rights
 - Data collectors of > 4 million CA residents must publish metrics on response to each type of request
- AG has stated will enforce for violations of clear requirements starting 1/1/20 before regs are final! (requirements in the statute)



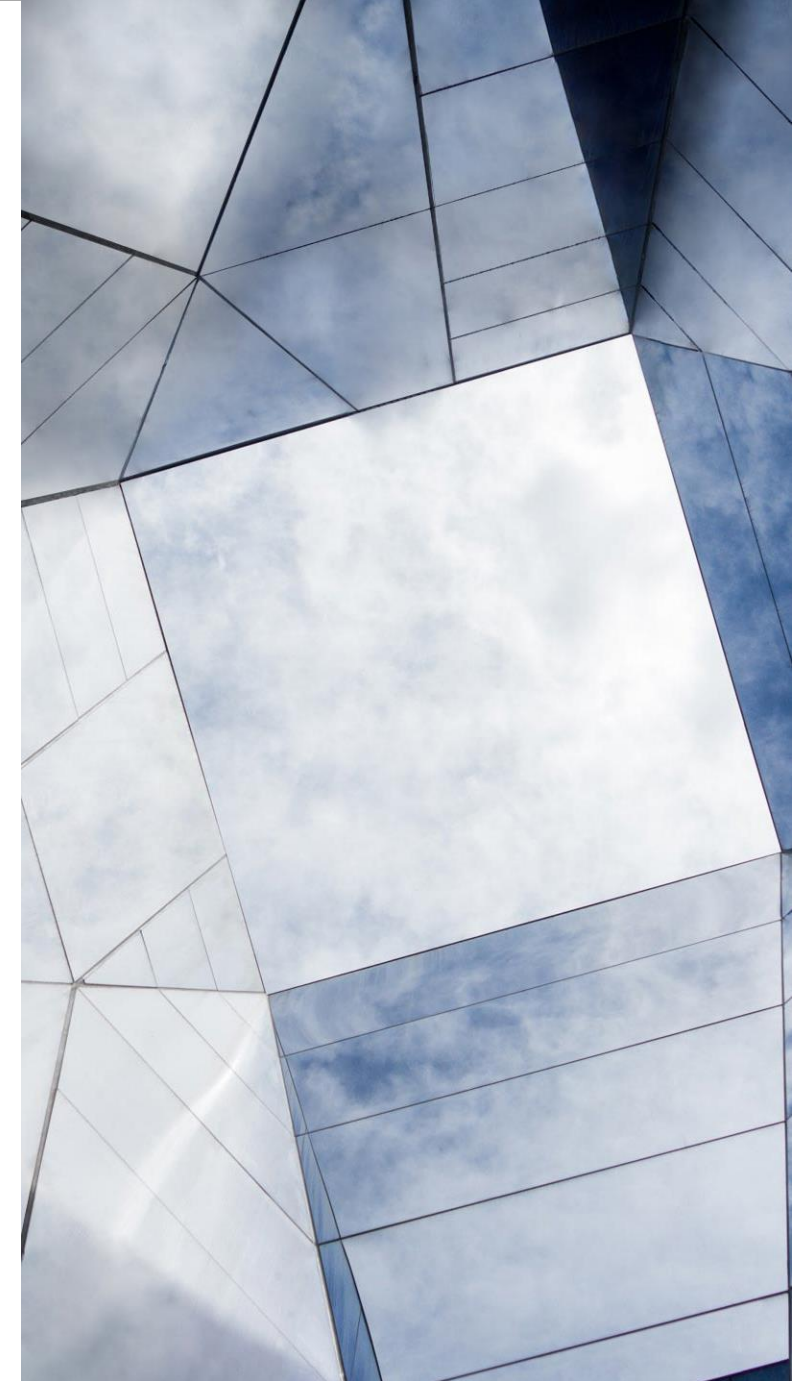
2020 Draft Regulations

- Some Helpful Clarifications
 - No mandatory Do Not Sell icon button (for now)
 - Clear and conspicuous link would suffice
 - May aggregate responses for household data
 - Service providers to gov'ts/non-profits need not respond
 - Exempt sensitive data from disclosure in response to access requests



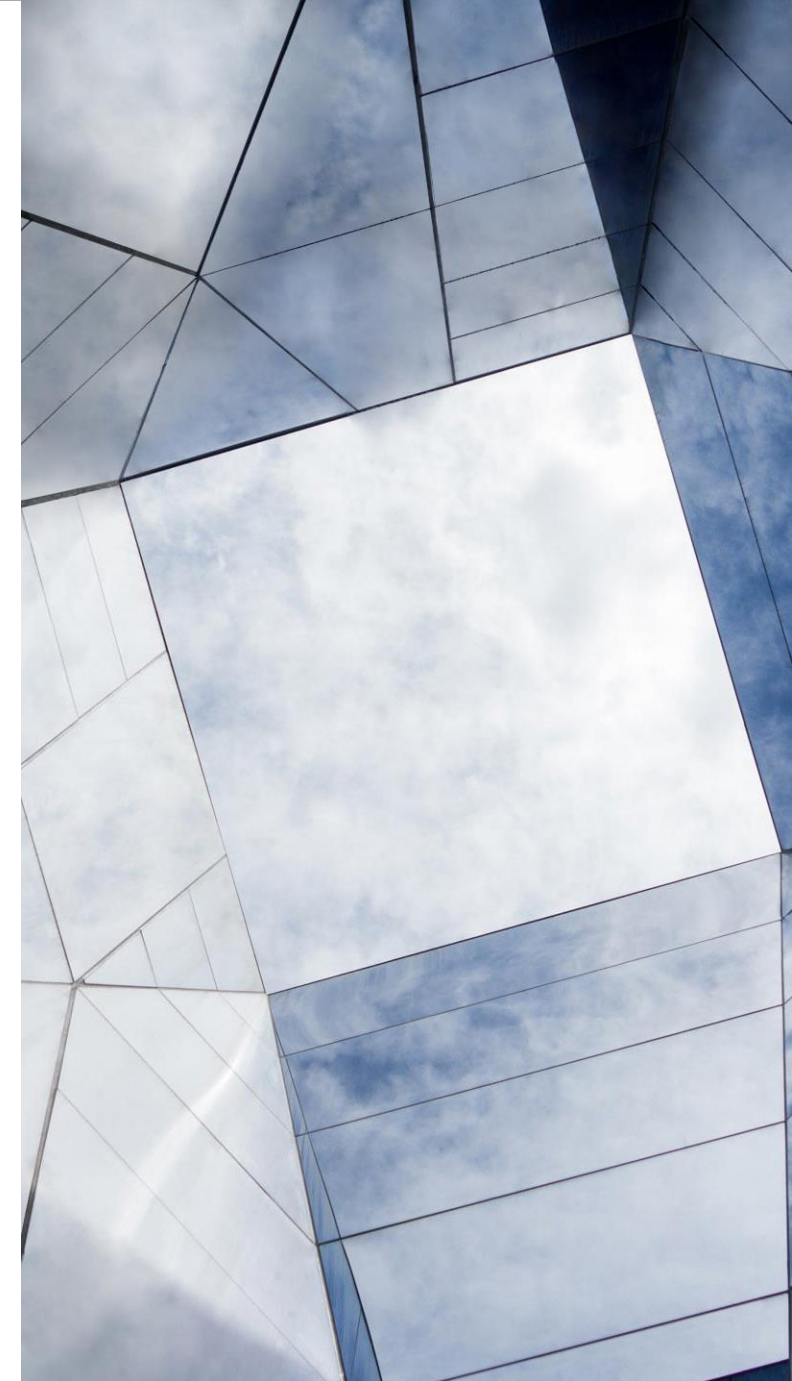
2020 CPRA Initiative

- Filed with Attorney General's Office for Nov. 2020 Ballot -- If approved, would take effect Jan.1, **2023**
- Some Operationally Helpful Elements
 - 2 year extension to 2023 of employee and B2B moratoria
 - Data sharing arrangements that are not “sales”, now called “sharing” instead of “sale”
 - Unstructured data exception for deletion and access rights
 - Somewhat greater flexibility for non-cross site ad services, and ad metrics
 - Exempts publicly available data
 - Broader security exception, including physical safety



2020 CPRA Initiative – New Requirements

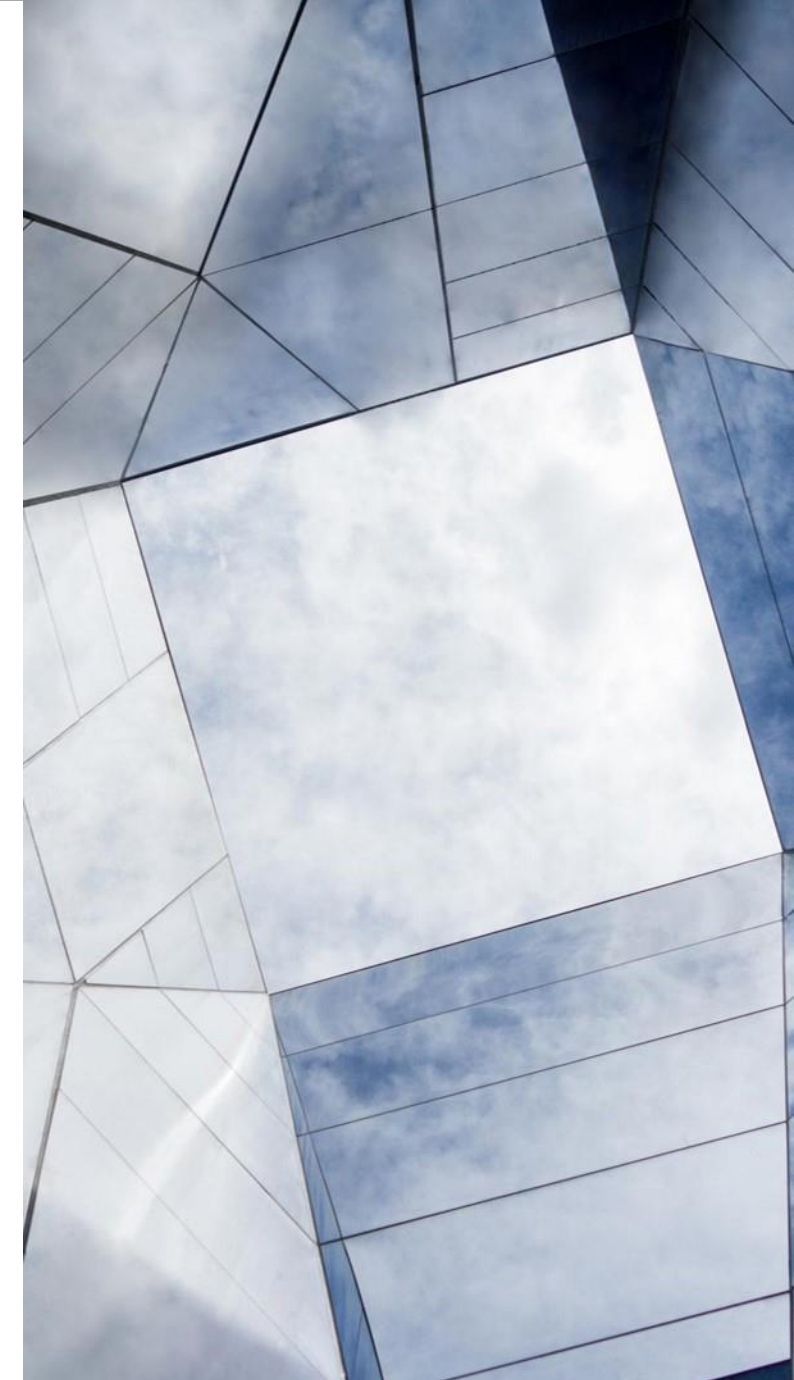
- Right to correct personal information that is inaccurate
- Opt-out of both uses and disclosure of sensitive data, including location data, that are not necessary for the service provided
- Do Not Sell automatic signal is an alternative to Do Not Sell website icon (not mandated), signal is a presumption -- consumer may be asked at websites if he or she agrees to sale
- Limits on retention of personal data to disclosed purposes
- Data breach class action risk for email account credentials
- Removes 12 month look-back limit on right to know and data access requests



Other State Omnibus Privacy Bills

Washington Privacy Act

- Strongly influenced by GDPR
- Clearer Definitions
- Processor/Controller terminology
- Rights of Access, Deletion, Restriction of Processing, Objection to Marketing & Advertising
- Provision Requiring Risk Assessments
- Provision restricting Facial Recognition
- Senate version does not have PRA, House version did.
- Likely to pass in some form in 2020 – sticking points were Exceptions, Private Right of Action, Facial Recognition
- Significantly different model from other omnibus bills.



Great Opportunity for Omnibus Federal Privacy Law

- Long a goal of privacy advocates and some businesses
- Blocked previously because of partisan and committee jurisdiction fights
 - Federal law has been stove-piped, reflecting committee jurisdiction
- Significant interest, serious bipartisan efforts in both the House and the Senate
- CCPA has convinced hold-out businesses to support legislation
- But deal will take several years
- Likely outlines
 - Robust privacy protection
 - Strong federal enforcement, state AG enforcement, no PRA?
 - Rulemaking mechanism to keep up with technological change
 - Broader than CCPA but preempting new state laws

In Depth Webinars on specific CCPA issues:

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