



Licensing Board for the City of Boston

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BEWARE OF THE FOLLOWING SCAM:

Random phone calls with the following themes:

- A family member is mentioned.
- It may involve some type of accident and the family member will be harmed if **MONEY** is not sent.
- An arrest was made and money needs to be sent to help the family member.
- They may represent themselves as a Utility Company indicating a past due account with immediate shut off services.

The caller will instruct you NOT to hang up or talk to anyone else, they will direct you where to go and will stay on the line until you complete the money transfer (this ensures that you will not be able to use your phone to check on the family member). The payment method required has been **GREEN DOT CARDS** as well as **WESTERN UNION**.

Please post this notice on your premises for your protection and that of your patrons. If you receive a call of this nature, keep the person on the line and have someone else call 911. If you have already been a victim of this scam, please contact the police immediately.