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### Transatlantic Consumer Groups Release Report About Unsafe Products in Online Marketplaces

The Transatlantic Consumer
Dialogue (TACD), a coalition of
leading consumer
organizations from the EU, US,
and UK released a landmark
report exposing alarming gaps
in product safety enforcement
across major online
marketplaces. Courtney Griffin,
CFA's Director of Product
Safety, co-authored the report



Corey Frayer Testifies for House Ways and Means Subcommittee about Crypto Oversight

Earlier this month, CFA's
Director of Investor Protection,
Corey Frayer, testified before
the House Ways and Means
Subcommittee on Oversight
and called for greater consumer
protection regulations in the
crypto industry. His testimony
detailed how crypto began as a
decentralized alternative to
Wall Street, but has grown into

and explained that "consumers expect the items we buy online are safe, but this report reveals a digital wasteland, where dangerous and even illegal products are just a click away." The report highlights investigations across the US, UK, and EU which reveal widespread risks in categories such as electronics, children's products, toys, and more. Existing regulations are a start, but stronger, coordinated enforcement is essential.

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# Does Your State Allow Medical Bills to Appear on Credit Reports?

Millions of Americans are burdened by medical debt appearing on their credit reports, despite research showing it does not accurately predict financial reliability.

Lower-income individuals, people of color, veterans, young adults, and seniors are disproportionately affected.

Fifteen states, including

Delaware, with newly passed legislation, have taken steps to

a \$3 trillion industry that now closely resembles traditional financial markets. This evolution underscores the need for regulation tailored to crypto's unique features, especially its decentralized settlement process, while maintaining core principles like investor protection and fair competition. With proper oversight, crypto can integrate into the financial mainstream without compromising market stability.

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## More than \$360 Million Owed to Consumers from CFPB Enforcement Actions is Already Gone or At Risk

A new investigation released by the Consumer Federation of America and Student Borrower Protection Center revealed that more than \$120 million in compensation meant for people harmed by illegal conduct has already been taken from victims and returned to the very same companies that broke the law.

remove medical bills from credit reports, aiming to reduce unnecessary harm. An interactive map developed by CFA now tracks these state laws, which will help millions of Americans when they look for housing or employment and will improve the usefulness of the credit reporting system.

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Hundreds of millions of dollars in additional compensation set aside by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) may be sitting in purgatory or at risk of being revoked entirely. Under the Trump administration's acting director, Russell Vought, the CFPB has abandoned their mission of holding financial companies accountable and providing relief to harmed consumers.

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