

CONSUMER ALERT

PHONY LOCKSMITHS are SCAMMING

BUSINESSES & INDIVIDUALS

The Federal Trade Commission has issued a "Consumer Alert" about a scam occurring across the country with increasingly high incidents in the Memphis area. Unskilled and non-licensed individuals posing as locksmiths have infiltrated the yellow pages and internet with false addresses in Memphis. A low price is quoted for services and many times the lock is destroyed, then charge 5 to 10 times more than the quoted price. As a reputable and licensed Memphis locksmith business for over 20 years, Peifer Safe & Lock is very concerned about the reports we are hearing on a daily basis and want to do our part in informing the public regarding this issue. For more information, we have posted several links and news stories on our website at www.peiferlock.com. Click on our **Security Alert** link on the Home Page or feel free to contact us directly with questions.

Tennessee enacted a Locksmith License Law a few years ago stating any locksmith providing service to the public on locks, autos or safes is **REQUIRED** to have a TN Locksmith License. A State issued ID Card should always be in their possession and the license number should be visible on the vehicle they arrive in, as well as on any company written materials (invoices, business cards, yellow page ads, etc.) Extensive criminal background checks, qualifying and continuing education hours are required for Locksmith Licensing in our State. Phony locksmiths cannot obtain a license under current Law.

Safety Tip: Verify a current and valid TN Locksmith License before any locksmith service is performed.

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