

## **E-mail users beware: Greeting cards could include viruses**

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Attorney General Roy Cooper says Internet greeting cards could contain more than well wishes.

In a statement released yesterday, Cooper warned that some electronic greeting cards sent by e-mail might include viruses or spyware. The greetings could be an attempt at identity theft. According to Cooper's statement, e-mail users should "think twice" before opening an e-card that claims to come from a friend. "Scammers are using what looks like a friendly greeting card to attack your computer and steal your good name," Cooper said. Cooper further warned that recipients clicking a link within the e-mail could be asked to download a program to read the card. The program could load a virus, he said.