

Conn. investigating Google's use of private data

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(AP) -- Connecticut's attorney general says he's investigating whether Google illegally collected data from personal and business wireless computer networks for its mapping service.

The controversy stems from the company's <u>Street View</u> feature, which provides pictures of neighborhoods. Authorities say the feature may violate privacy laws and last month, Google representatives acknowledged they had mistakenly collected data over public Wi-Fi networks in more than 30 countries.

State Attorney General Richard Blumenthal plans to hold a news conference Monday to say he's asking Google whether it wrongly collected the data in Connecticut.

Police in <u>Germany</u> and Australia already have launched their own investigations into the matter.

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