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Lawsuit against Plaid heightens focus on data privacy issues

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Two California men have sued the data aggregator Plaid over alleged data privacy violations in a case that could have implications for firms that gather consumers' bank account data and feed it to fintechs.

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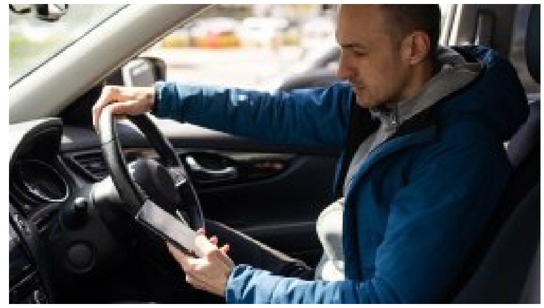

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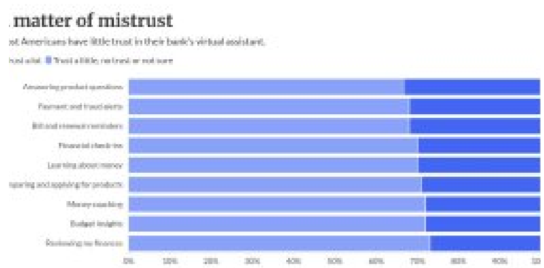

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