



102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

HB4598

Introduced 1/21/2022, by Rep. Marcus C. Evans, Jr.

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/17-30.1 new

Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Creates the offense of Caller ID spoofing. Provides that a person commits the offense when he or she, in connection with any telecommunications service or voice over Internet protocol (VoIP) service, knowingly causes any caller identification service to transmit misleading or inaccurate caller identification information with the intent to deceive, defraud, mislead, harass, cause emotional distress, or wrongfully obtain anything of value. Provides exemptions. Provides that a first offense is a Class B misdemeanor and a second or subsequent offense is a Class A misdemeanor.

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1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by adding
5 Section 17-30.1 as follows:

6 (720 ILCS 5/17-30.1 new)

7 Sec. 17-30.1. Caller ID spoofing.

8 (a) A person commits Caller ID spoofing when he or she, in
9 connection with any telecommunications service or voice over
10 Internet protocol (VoIP) service, knowingly causes any caller
11 identification service to transmit misleading or inaccurate
12 caller identification information with the intent to deceive,
13 defraud, mislead, harass, cause emotional distress, or
14 wrongfully obtain anything of value.

15 (b) Definitions. In this Section:

16 "Caller identification information" means the name,
17 telephone number, or other identifying data of the person
18 or entity originating a call using a telecommunications
19 service or VoIP service.

20 "Caller identification service" means any service or
21 device designed to provide the user of the service or
22 device with the telephone number of, or other information
23 regarding the origination of, a call made using a

1 telecommunications service or VoIP service. This term
2 includes automatic number identification services.

3 (c) This Section does not apply to:

4 (1) Any blocking of caller identification information.

5 (2) Any authorized activity of a municipal, State, or
6 federal law enforcement agency.

7 (3) Any authorized activity of a federal intelligence
8 or security agency.

9 (4) Any duly authorized process server that is used in
10 connection with a civil, criminal, administrative, or
11 arbitral proceeding, including the service of process,
12 investigation in anticipation of litigation, the execution
13 or enforcement of judgments, or compliance with the orders
14 of any court.

15 (d) Sentence. Caller ID spoofing is a Class B misdemeanor.
16 A second or subsequent violation of this Section is a Class A
17 misdemeanor.