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- 1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3407
- 2 AMENDMENT NO. ____. Amend House Bill 3407 by replacing
- 3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:
- 4 "Section 5. The Restricted Call Registry Act is amended
- 5 by changing Sections 10, 20, 25, 30, 35, and 40 as follows:
- 6 (815 ILCS 402/10)
- 7 Sec. 10. Prohibited calls. Beginning October July 1,
- 8 2003, it is a violation of this Act for any me person or
- 9 entity to may make or cause to be made any telephone
- 10 solicitation calls to any residential subscriber more than 45
- 11 days after the <u>person or entity obtains the Registry or any</u>
- 12 <u>update of the Registry on which the</u> residential subscriber's
- 13 telephone number or numbers first appear on-the-Registry.
- 14 (Source: P.A. 92-795, eff. 8-9-02.)
- 15 (815 ILCS 402/20)
- Sec. 20. Registry;-establishment-and-maintenance.
- 17 (a) The Illinois Commerce Commission shall establish and
- 18 provide for the operation of a Restricted Call Registry,
- 19 which shall contain a list of the telephone numbers of
- 20 residential subscribers who do not wish to receive telephone
- 21 solicitation calls. The national "do-not-call" registry

- 1 <u>established</u> and <u>maintained</u> by the Federal Trade Commission,
- 2 pursuant to 16 C.F.R. 310.4 (b)(1)(iii)(B), shall serve as
- 3 <u>the Registry provided by this Act.</u> The-Illinois-Commerce
- 4 Commission-may-contract-with-a-private--vendor--to--establish
- 5 and-maintain-the-Registry-if-the-contract-requires-the-vendor
- 6 to-provide
- 7 <u>(b) Residential subscribers may cause their telephone</u>
- 8 <u>number or numbers to appear on</u> the Registry in a-printed-hard
- 9 copy-format,-in-an-electronic-format,-and-in any manner other
- 10 format prescribed by the Illinois Commerce Commission.
- 11 (c) Any person or entity conducting telephone
- 12 solicitation calls as defined by Section 5(e) of this Act
- 13 within the State of Illinois shall purchase the Restricted
- 14 Call Registry and updates no less frequently than every 3
- 15 <u>months</u> exclusively from the <u>Federal Trade</u> <u>Illinois</u>--Commerce
- 16 Commission. Failure to do so prior to conducting telephone
- 17 solicitation calls is a violation subject to the penalties
- 18 provided for in Section 35 of this Act.
- 19 $\underline{(d)}(b)$ --No--later--than--January--1,--2003, The Illinois
- 20 Commerce Commission may shall adopt rules consistent with
- 21 this Act that the Illinois Commerce Commission deems
- 22 necessary and appropriate to fully implement this Act. The
- 23 rules--shall--include,--at--a--minimum,--methods-by-which-any
- 24 person-or-entity--desiring--to--make--telephone--solicitation
- 25 calls--may-obtain-access-to-the-Registry-to-avoid-calling-the
- telephone-numbers-of-residential-subscribers-included-in--the
- 27 Registry.
- 28 (c)--The-fee-for-obtaining-the-Registry-and-updates-shall
- 29 be--set--forth--in--rules--adopted--by--the-Illinois-Commerce
- 30 Commission.-The-fee-may-not-exceed-\$1,000--annually--and--may
- 31 not--exceed--the--costs--incurred--by--the--Commission-in-the
- 32 preparation,-maintenance,-production,-and-distribution-of-the
- 33 Registry.-All-copies-requested-in-a-printed-hard-copy--format
- 34 shall--be--assessed--a-per-page-fee-to-be-determined-by-rules

- adopted-by-the-Illinois-Commerce-Commission.
- 2 (d)--The-Illinois-Commerce-Commission--shall--update--the
- 3 Registry--and-make-information-in-the-Registry-available-on-a
- 4 quarterly-basis-in-an-electronic-format-that-can-be-sorted-by
- 5 individual-fields-and,-if-deemed-appropriate-by-the--Illinois
- 6 Commerce-Commission,-in-one-or-more-other-formats.
- 7 (e)--If--the-Federal-Communications-Commission-or-Federal
- 8 Trade-Commission-establishes-a-single--national--database--of
- 9 telephone--numbers--of--subscribers--who--object-to-receiving
- 10 telephone-solicitations,-which-restricts-both-inter-state-and
- intra-state-calls-and--at--a--minimum--covers--all--telephone
- 12 solicitations---covered---by---this--Act,--this--State--shall
- 13 discontinue-the-Registry.

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- 14 <u>(e)(f)</u> <u>Information pertaining to residential subscribers</u>
- 15 Information in the Registry is confidential and shall be
- 16 afforded reasonable privacy protection except as necessary
- for compliance with Sections 10 and 25 and this Section or in
- 18 a proceeding or action under Section 35 or 40. The
- 19 information is not a public record under the Freedom of
- 20 Information Act.
- 21 (g)--The-Illinois-Commerce-Commission-shall--periodically
- 22 obtain-subscription-listings-of-residential-subscribers-in
- 23 this-State-who-have-arranged-to-be-included-in--any--national
- 24 do-not-call-list-and-add-those-names-to-the-Registry.
- 25 $\underline{(f)(h)}$ A person or entity that obtains the Registry
- 26 shall not use the Registry for any purpose other than to
- 27 comply with this Act. These unlawful purposes include, but
- are not limited to, causing a subscriber to participate in
- 29 and be included in the Registry without the subscriber's
- 30 knowledge or consent, selling or leasing the Registry to a
- 31 person other than a telephone solicitor, selling or leasing
- 32 by a telephone solicitor of the Registry, and a telephone
- 33 solicitor, either directly or indirectly, persuading a
- 34 subscriber with whom it has an established business

- 1 relationship to place his or her telephone number in the
- 2 Registry, if the solicitation has the effect of preventing
- 3 competitors from contacting that solicitor's customers.
- 4 (g)(i) No person or entity that sells, leases,
- 5 exchanges, or rents telephone solicitation lists, except for
- 6 directory assistance and telephone directories sold by
- 7 telephone companies or their affiliates, shall include in
- 8 those lists those telephone numbers that appear in the
- 9 current Registry.
- 10 (Source: P.A. 92-795, eff. 8-9-02.)
- 11 (815 ILCS 402/25)
- 12 Sec. 25. Notice of establishment of Registry.
- 13 Enrollment. (a) The Illinois Commerce Commission shall
- 14 provide notice to residential subscribers of the
- establishment of the Registry.
- 16 (b)--The-Illinois-Commerce-Commission-shall-establish-any
- 17 method-deemed-appropriate-for--a--residential--subscriber--to
- 18 notify--the-Illinois-Commerce-Commission-that-the-residential
- 19 subscriber-wishes-to-have-its-telephone-number-included-in-or
- 20 remain-on-the-Registry.
- 21 (e)--The-Commission-may,-by--rule,--set--an--initial--fee
- 22 which-shall-not-exceed-\$5--per-residential-subscriber-for
- 23 inclusion-on-the-Restricted-Call-Registry----The--Commission
- 24 shall--review-the-revenues-and-expenditures-of-the-Restricted
- 25 Call-Registry-on-a-biennial-basis-and-shall,-by-rule,--reduce
- the--fee--accordingly--if--revenues--exceed-expenditures--The
- 27 Commission-may--adopt--rules--and--procedures--governing--the
- 28 acceptance--of-payment-by-credit-card-and-may-enter-into-such
- 29 agreements-as-necessary-to-accept-payment-by-credit-card.
- 30 (d)--A-residential-subscriber's-telephone-number-shall-be
- 31 deleted-from-the-Registry-upon-the--residential--subscriber's
- 32 written-request.
- 33 (e)--Enrollment--in--the--Registry--is-effective-from-the

1 start-of-the-quarter-following-the-date-of-enrollment--for--a 2 term---of---5--years--or--until--the--residential--subscriber 3 disconnects-or-changes-his-or-her--telephone--number,--unless 4 the--subscriber--complies-with-the-notice-provision-contained 5 in-this-Section,-whichever--occurs--first.---The--residential subscriber--shall-be-permitted-to-extend-their-enrollment-for 6 7 additional-5-year-periods-and-shall-not-be-subject-to-any-fee 8 for--this---extension----The---residential---subscriber---is responsible-for-notifying-the-Illinois-Commerce-Commission-of 9 10 any--changes--in--his--or--her-telephone-number--The-Illinois 11 Commerce-Commission-shall-use--its--best--efforts--to--notify enrolled-residential-subscribers-before-the-end-of-the-5-year 12 13 enrollment--term--of--the--option-to-extend-their-enrollment. 14 Residential-subscribers-who-do-not-indicate-their--desire--to 15 extend--their--enrollment--before--the-end-of-the-5-year-term 16 shall-be-given--a--one--quarter--grace--period--before--being 17 removed-from-the-Registry. (Source: P.A. 92-795, eff. 8-9-02.) 18

19 (815 ILCS 402/30)

2.0 Sec. 30. Public notification. The Illinois Commerce 21 Commission shall work with local exchange telecommunications notify disseminate---to 22 companies to their information about the availability of and instructions for 23 24 requesting <u>information</u> educational--literature from t.he 25 Illinois Commerce Commission. The---Illinois---Commerce 26 Commission-may-enter-into-agreements-with-those-companies-for 27 the---dissemination--of--the--educational--literature. Local 28 exchange telecommunications companies shall provide this notice disseminate-the-educational-literature at least once 29 30 per year in a message contained in customers' bills and include or a notice in the information section of all 31 telephone directories distributed to customers and shall 32 33 include on their website a link to the ICC's web page for the

- 1 Registry. The Illinois Commerce Commission shall include, on
- 2 its Internet web site, information to customers regarding
- 3 their right to be included in the Registry and the various
- 4 methods,---including---notice---to---the---Illinois--Commerce
- 5 Commission, of being included in the Registry. The Illinois
- 6 Commerce Commission shall develop language to be used by
- 7 <u>local exchange telecommunications carriers and shall make</u>
- 8 <u>information available on its web site</u> shall--have--this
- 9 literature-developed-for-dissemination-to-the-public no later
- 10 than July March 1, 2003.
- 11 (Source: P.A. 92-795, eff. 8-9-02.)
- 12 (815 ILCS 402/35)
- 13 Sec. 35. Violation; relief.
- 14 (a) The Illinois Commerce Commission may initiate
- 15 administrative proceedings in accordance with rules adopted
- 16 under this Act relating to a knowing and willful violation of
- 17 Section 10.
- 18 (b) If it is determined after a hearing that a person
- 19 has knowingly and willfully violated one or more provisions
- of this Section, the Illinois Commerce Commission may assess
- 21 a fine not to exceed \$1,000 for the first violation and not
- 22 to exceed \$2,500 for a second or subsequent violation. Each
- 23 individual violation of Section 10 of this Act shall be a
- 24 separate and distinct offense under this Section. In
- 25 imposing a penalty under this Section, the Commission shall,
- 26 at a minimum, consider the following factors:
- 27 (1) whether the offense was knowing or willful;
- 28 (2) whether the entity committing the offense has a
- 29 prior history of non-compliance with this Act;
- 30 (3) the offender's relative ability to pay a
- 31 penalty;
- 32 (4) whether the offender has or has not cooperated
- with the Commission in pursuing the investigation; and

- 1 (5) such other special, mitigating or aggravating 2 circumstances as the Commission may find to exist.
- 3 (c) Any proceeding conducted under this Section is 4 subject to the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act.
- 5 (d) Nothing in this Section may be construed to restrict 6 any right that any person may have under any other law or at
- 7 common law.
- 8 (e) No action or proceeding may be brought under this 9 Section:
- 10 (1) more than one year after the person bringing
 11 the action knew or should have known of the occurrence of
 12 the alleged violation; or
- 13 (2) more than one year after the termination of any 14 proceeding or action arising out of the same violation or 15 violations by the State of Illinois, whichever is later.
- 16 (f) The remedies, duties, prohibitions, and penalties in 17 this Act are not exclusive and are in addition to all other 18 causes of action, remedies, and penalties provided by law.
- 19 (g) There is created in the State Treasury a special 20 fund to be known as the Restricted Call Registry Fund. All 21 fees--and fines collected in the administration and 22 enforcement of this Act shall be deposited into the Fund.
- 23 Moneys in the Fund shall, subject to appropriation, be used
- 24 by the Illinois Commerce Commission for implementation,
- administration, and enforcement of this Act.
- 26 (Source: P.A. 92-795, eff. 8-9-02.)
- 27 (815 ILCS 402/40)
- 28 Sec. 40. Exemption.
- 29 (a) A person or entity may not be held liable for 30 violating this Act if:
- 31 (1) the person or entity has obtained copies of the 32 Registry and <u>updates in compliance with this Act</u> each 33 updated--Registry--from--the-Illinois-Commerce-Commission

and has established and implemented written policies and procedures related to the requirements of this Act;

- 3 (2) the person or entity has trained its personnel
- in the requirements of this Act;
- 5 (3) the person or entity maintains records 6 demonstrating compliance with subdivisions (1) and (2) of
- 7 this Section and the requirements of this Act; and
- 8 (4) any subsequent telephone solicitation is the 9 result of unintentional error.
- 10 (b) A person or entity that has entered into a contract
- 11 with another person or entity to make telephone solicitations
- on its behalf is not liable for a violation of this Act by
- 13 the person or entity making telephone solicitations under the
- 14 contract if the person or entity on whose behalf the
- 15 telephone solicitations were made has provided written
- 16 notification to the person or entity making telephone
- 17 solicitations under the contract that it is necessary to
- 18 comply with the provisions of this Act when making telephone
- 19 solicitations.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 92-795, eff. 8-9-02.)
- 21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 22 becoming law.".