



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB1416

Introduced 1/28/2025, by Rep. Christopher "C.D." Davidsmeyer

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

815 ILCS 505/2HHHH new

Amends the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act. Provides that a person who hosts or registers an Internet domain name to a person located in this State shall not sell or lease the Internet domain name to another person for a period of 5 years after the buyer or lessee ends his or her ownership or lease of the Internet domain name. Provides that a buyer or lessee who ends his or her ownership or lease agreement shall have the right to repurchase or renew the lease for the Internet domain name during the 5-year period for the cost the buyer or lessee would have owed to the host or registrar if the ownership or lease agreement had not ended. Provides that any person who violates these provisions commits an unlawful practice within the meaning of the Act.

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1 AN ACT concerning business.

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

4 Section 5. The Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business
5 Practices Act is amended by adding Section 2HHHH as follows:

6 (815 ILCS 505/2HHHH new)

7 Sec. 2HHHH. Internet domain name; grace period.

8 (a) As used in this Section, "Internet domain name" refers
9 to a globally unique, hierarchical reference to an Internet
10 host or service, assigned through centralized Internet naming
11 authorities, comprising a series of character strings
12 separated by periods, with the right-most string specifying
13 the top of the hierarchy.

14 (b) A person who hosts or registers an Internet domain
15 name to a person located in this State shall not sell or lease
16 the Internet domain name to another person for a period of 5
17 years after the buyer or lessee ends his or her ownership or
18 lease of the Internet domain name. A buyer or lessee who ends
19 his or her ownership or lease agreement shall have the right to
20 repurchase or renew the lease for the Internet domain name
21 during the 5-year period for the cost the buyer or lessee would
22 have owed to the host or registrar if the ownership or lease
23 agreement had not ended.

1 (c) Any person who violates this Section commits an
2 unlawful practice within the meaning of this Act.