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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4450

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 4450 by replacing

3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business

Practices Act is amended by changing Section 2Z as follows:

6 (815 ILCS 505/2Z) (from Ch. 121 1/2, par. 262Z)

7 Sec. 2Z. Violations of other Acts. Any person who knowingly

violates the Automotive Repair Act, the Home Repair and

Remodeling Act, the Dance Studio Act, the Physical Fitness Services Act, the Hearing Instrument Consumer Protection Act,

the Illinois Union Label Act, the Job Referral and Job Listing

12 Services Consumer Protection Act, the Travel Promotion

13 Consumer Protection Act, the Credit Services Organizations

14 Act, the Automatic Telephone Dialers Act, the Pay-Per-Call

15 Services Consumer Protection Act, the Telephone Solicitations

16 Act, the Illinois Funeral or Burial Funds Act, the Cemetery

17 Care Act, the Safe and Hygienic Bed Act, the Pre-Need Cemetery

18 Sales Act, the High Risk Home Loan Act, subsection (a) or (b)

of Section 3-10 of the Cigarette Tax Act, subsection (a) or (b)

of Section 3-10 of the Cigarette Use Tax Act, the Electronic

21 Mail Act, $\frac{1}{2}$ paragraph (6) of subsection (k) of Section 6-305

of the Illinois Vehicle Code, or the Automatic Contract Renewal

23 Act commits an unlawful practice within the meaning of this

24 Act.

- (Source: P.A. 92-426, eff. 1-1-02; 93-561, eff. 1-1-04.) 1
- 2 Section 10. The Automatic Contract Renewal Act is amended
- 3 by changing Sections 10, 15, and 20 as follows:
- (815 ILCS 601/10) 4
- Sec. 10. Automatic renewal; requirements. 5
- 6 (a) Any person, firm, partnership, association, or
- corporation that sells or offers to sell any products or 7
- services to a consumer pursuant to a contract, where such 8
- 9 contract automatically renews unless the consumer cancels the
- contract, shall disclose the automatic renewal clause clearly 10
- and conspicuously in the contract, including the cancellation 11
- procedure. If a contract is subject to automatic renewal, the 12
- 13 clause providing for automatic renewal must appear in the
- 14 contract in a clear and conspicuous manner.
- (b) Any person, firm, partnership, association, or 15
- corporation that sells or offers to sell any products or 16
- services to a consumer pursuant to a contract, where such 17
- contract term is a specified term of 12 months or more, and 18
- 19 where such contract automatically renews for a specified term
- 20 of more than one month unless the consumer cancels the
- contract, shall notify the consumer in writing of the automatic

renewal. Written notice shall be provided to the consumer no

- 23 less than 30 days and no more than 60 days before the
- cancellation deadline pursuant to the automatic renewal 24
- clause. Such written notice shall disclose clearly and 25
- 26 conspicuously:

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- 27 (i) that unless the consumer cancels the contract it
- will automatically renew; and 28
- 29 (ii) where the consumer can obtain details of the
- automatic renewal provision and cancellation procedure 30
- 31 (for example, by contacting the business at a specified
- telephone number or address or by referring to the 32

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          contract).
          (c) A person, firm, partnership, association, or
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      corporation will not be liable for a violation of this Act or
      the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act if such
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      person, firm, partnership, association, or corporation
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      demonstrates that, as part of its routine business practice:
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              (i) it has established and implemented written
          procedures to comply with this Act and enforces compliance
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          with the procedures;
              (ii) any failure to comply with this Act is the result
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          of error; and
              (iii) where an error has caused a failure to comply
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          with this Act, it provides a full refund or credit for all
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          amounts billed to or paid by the consumer from the date of
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          the renewal until the date of the termination of the
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          account, or the date of the subsequent notice of renewal,
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          whichever occurs first.
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      (Source: P.A. 91-674, eff. 6-1-00.)
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          (815 ILCS 601/15)
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          Sec. 15. Violation. A violation of this Act constitutes an
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      unlawful practice under the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive
      Business Practices Act If a contract does not comply with this
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      Act, the automatic renewal provisions are not enforceable by a
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      party who prepared the contract or directed its preparation.
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      (Source: P.A. 91-674, eff. 6-1-00.)
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          (815 ILCS 601/20)
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          Sec. 20. Applicability.
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          (a) This Act does not apply to a contract entered into
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      before the effective date of this Act.
          (b) This amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly does
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not apply to a contract entered into before the effective date

of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.

- (c) This Act does not apply to business-to-business 1 2 contracts.
- 3 (d) This Act does not apply to banks, trust companies,
- savings and loan associations, savings banks, or credit unions 4
- 5 licensed or organized under the laws of any state or the United
- States, or any foreign bank maintaining a branch or agency 6
- 7 licensed or organized under the laws of any state of the United
- States. 8
- (e) This Act does not apply to a contract that is extended 9
- beyond the original term of the contract as the result of the 10
- consumer's initiation of a change in the original contract 11
- 12 terms.
- (Source: P.A. 91-674, eff. 6-1-00.)". 13