

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2007 and 2008 HB4178

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

815 ILCS 505/2AAA new

Amends the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act. Provides that an Internet gaming service provider that provides service to a consumer, for home and personal use, for a stated term that is automatically renewed for another term unless a consumer cancels the service must give a consumer who is an Illinois resident: (1) a secure method at the Internet gaming service provider's web site that the consumer may use to cancel the service, which method shall not require the consumer to make a telephone call or send U.S. Postal Service mail to effectuate the cancellation; and (2) instructions that the consumer may follow to cancel the service at the Internet gaming service provider's web site. Makes it an unlawful business practice for an Internet gaming service provider to violate the new provisions.

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1 AN ACT concerning business.

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

- Section 5. The Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business
 Practices Act is amended by adding Section 2AAA as follows:
- 6 (815 ILCS 505/2AAA new)
- 7 Sec. 2AAA. Internet gaming service provider; cancellation.
- 8 (a) As used in this Section:
 - "Internet gaming service provider" means a person who provides a web site that includes information, software, data, text, photographs, graphics, sound, or video that may be accessed by a consumer for a fee for the purpose of the consumer playing a single player or multiplayer game through the Internet or that may be downloaded for the consumer to play on his or her computer outside of the Internet. "Internet gaming service provider" does not include online gambling or other gaming where a consumer can enter to win money.
- 19 <u>(b) This Section applies only to agreements under which an</u>
 20 <u>Internet gaming service provider provides service to</u>
 21 <u>consumers, for home and personal use, for a stated term that is</u>
 22 <u>automatically renewed for another term unless the consumer</u>
- 23 <u>cancels the service.</u>

(c) An Internet gaming service provider must give	e a
consumer who is an Illinois resident the following: (1) a
secure method at the Internet gaming service provider's	web
site that the consumer may use to cancel the service, wh	nich
method shall not require the consumer to make a telephone of	call
or send U.S. Postal Service mail to effectuate	the
cancellation; and (2) instructions that the consumer may fol	low
to cancel the service at the Internet gaming service provide	er's
web site.	

practice within the meaning of this Act.

(d) A person who violates this Section commits an unlawful