

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2007 and 2008 HB6323

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

815 ILCS 305/10 from Ch. 134, par. 110 815 ILCS 305/15 from Ch. 134, par. 115 815 ILCS 305/20 rep.

Amends the Automatic Telephone Dialers Act. Prohibits using an autodialer to contact a subscriber in this State by means of a telephone or telephone line except in accordance with the Act. Prohibits using an autodialer to contact a subscriber in this State who has registered with the Illinois Restricted Call Registry. Prohibits using an autodialer unless the subscriber has knowingly requested, consented to, permitted, or authorized receipt of the message or the message is immediately preceded by a live operator who obtains the subscriber's consent before the message is delivered. Makes exceptions for autodialer calls from: a public safety agency notifying a person of an emergency; a school district to a student, a parent, or an employee; a subscriber with whom the caller has a current business relationship; or an employer advising an employee of a work schedule. Repeals exemptions for specified types of telephone calls. Makes other changes.

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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 Automatic Telephone Dialers Act is amended by changing Sections 10 and 15 as follows:
- 6 (815 ILCS 305/10) (from Ch. 134, par. 110)
- 7 Sec. 10. Jurisdiction. No person <u>may use an autodialer to</u>
- 8 contact a subscriber shall operate an autodialer in this State
- 9 <u>by using a telephone or telephone line</u> except in accordance
- 10 with this Act.
- 11 (Source: P.A. 87-275.)
- 12 (815 ILCS 305/15) (from Ch. 134, par. 115)
- 13 Sec. 15. Method of operation.
- (a) No person <u>may use an autodialer to contact a subscriber</u>

 shall operate an autodialer in this State to place a telephone

 during the hours between 9 p.m. and 9 a.m. <u>No person may</u>

 use an autodialer to contact a subscriber in this State who has
- 18 registered with the Illinois Restricted Call Registry.
- 19 (b) A person may not use or connect to a telephone line an
- 20 <u>autodialer system unless the subscriber has knowingly</u>
- 21 requested, consented to, permitted, or authorized receipt of
- the message or the message is immediately preceded by a live

| 1 | operator | who | obtains | the | subsc | riber's | cons | ent | before | the |
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| 2 | message is | s del | ivered. | \ll au | todial | ers oper | ated | with | in the S | State |
| 3 | of Illin | ois | shall | disco : | nnect | -within | 30 | sec | conds d | after |
| 4 | terminati | on of | the cal | ll by | the s | ubscribe | ror | the | autodia | aler. |
| 5 | Where dis | conne | ction in | 30 s∈ | econds | is tech | nical: | ly n o | ot feas: | ible, |
| 6 | the autod: | ialer | shall ut | ilize | a liv | e operat | or who | sha | all: | |

- (1) state his name, the name, address and telephone number of the business or organization being represented and the purpose of the call; and
- (2) inquire at the beginning of the call whether the person called consents to hear the prerecorded message.
- (c) This Section does not apply to a message from: (i) a public safety agency notifying a person of an emergency; (ii) a school district to a student, a parent, or an employee; (iii) a subscriber with whom the caller has a current business relationship; or (iv) an employer advising an employee of a work schedule. An autodialer shall not be used to dial numbers determined by successively increasing or decreasing integers.
- (d) An autodialer may not be operated in a manner that impedes the function of any caller ID when the telephone solicitor's service or equipment is capable of allowing the display of the solicitor's telephone number.
- 23 (Source: P.A. 91-182, eff. 1-1-00.)
- 24 (815 ILCS 305/20 rep.)
- 25 Section 10. The Automatic Telephone Dialers Act is amended

1 by repealing Section 20.