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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:

Section 5. The Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business
Practices Act is amended by changing and renumbering Section
2AAA, as added by Public Act 95-765, as follows:

7 (815 ILCS 505/2CCC)

8 Sec. <u>2CCC</u> 2AAA. Internet <u>game</u> gaming service provider;
9 cancellation.

10 (a) As used in this Section:

"Internet game gaming service provider" means a person 11 12 provides a web site that includes information, who 13 software, data, text, photographs, graphics, sound, or 14 video that may be accessed by a consumer on a paid subscription basis for a fee for the purpose of the 15 consumer playing a single player or multiplayer game 16 17 through the Internet or that may be downloaded for the consumer to play on his or her computer outside of the 18 19 Internet. "Internet game gaming service provider" does not include online gambling or other gaming where a consumer 20 21 can enter to win money.

(b) This Section applies only to agreements under which an
 Internet <u>game</u> gaming service provider provides service to

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1 consumers, for home and personal use, for a stated term that is 2 automatically renewed for another term unless the consumer 3 cancels the service.

(c) An Internet game gaming service provider must give a 4 5 consumer who is an Illinois resident a disclosure of the 6 methods the consumer may use to cancel the service. One of the 7 methods of cancellation must provide for online cancellation of 8 the service via email, chat, instant messaging, web-based 9 forms, or any other means of communicating information over a 10 computer network the following: (1) a secure method at the 11 Internet gaming service provider's web site that the consumer 12 may use to cancel the service, which method shall not require the consumer to make a telephone call or send U.S. 13 Postal Service mail to effectuate the cancellation; and (2) 14 15 instructions that the consumer may follow to cancel the service 16 at the Internet gaming service provider's web site.

(d) This Section does not apply to any entity that merely provides the host platform on the web site to the Internet <u>game</u> gaming service provider.

(e) A person who violates this Section commits an unlawfulpractice within the meaning of this Act.

22 (Source: P.A. 95-765, eff. 1-1-09; revised 9-25-08.)

23 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 24 becoming law.