# 56:8-130

#### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

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**LAWS OF**: 2015 **CHAPTER**: 2

NJSA: 56:8-130 (Prohibits unsolicited telemarketing sales calls to commercial mobile service

devices)

BILL NO: S1382 (Substituted for A2933)

SPONSOR(S) Barnes and others

**DATE INTRODUCED:** February 27, 2014

COMMITTEE: ASSEMBLY: ---

**SENATE:** Commerce

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE: No

**DATE OF PASSAGE:** ASSEMBLY: December 15, 2014

SENATE: October 23, 2014

**DATE OF APPROVAL:** January 29, 2015

FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

FINAL TEXT OF BILL (Introduced version of bill enacted)

S1382

**SPONSOR'S STATEMENT:** (Begins on page 2 of introduced bill)

Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: No

**SENATE**: Yes

(Audio archived recordings of the committee meetings, corresponding to the date of the committee statement, *may possibly* be found at www.njleg.state.nj.us)

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: No

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE: No

A2933

**SPONSOR'S STATEMENT:** (Begins on page 2 of introduced bill)

Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: Yes

SENATE: No

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: No

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE: No

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### P.L.2015, CHAPTER 2, *approved January* 29, 2015 Senate, No. 1382

**AN ACT** concerning certain unsolicited telemarketing sales calls and amending P.L.2003, c.76.

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

- 1. Section 12 of P.L.2003, c.76 (C.56:8-130) is amended to read as follows:
- 12. a. **[**No**]** A telemarketer shall <u>not</u> make or cause to be made any <u>unsolicited</u> telemarketing sales call to a commercial mobile service device of any customer, except that a telemarketer that is a commercial mobile services company may call its customer using its commercial mobile services if its customer will not incur telecommunication charges or a usage allocation deduction as a result of **[**such**]** the call and the call is directly related to the commercial mobile services of the commercial mobile services company, unless the customer has stated to the commercial mobile services company that the customer no longer desires to receive these calls.
- b. For the purposes of this section, "commercial mobile service" means a type of mobile telecommunications service as defined in subsection (d) of section 332 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. s.332(d)); and "commercial mobile service device" means any equipment used for the purpose of providing commercial mobile service.
- c. The provisions of this section shall apply to those numbers for commercial mobile service devices which the division is able to distinguish from numbers for devices for telecommunications service, as defined in section 2 of P.L.1991, c.428 (C.48:2-21.17), on the 30th day following certification of such to the Governor and the Legislature.
- 32 (cf: P.L.2003, c.76, s.12)

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

#### **STATEMENT**

 This bill clarifies the State's "no call list" law to prohibit unsolicited telemarketing sales calls from being made to commercial mobile service devices. Currently, the "no call list" law prohibits all telemarketing sales calls from being made to

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3	Prohibits unsolicited telemarketing sales calls to commercial
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# SENATE, No. 1382

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

# 216th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 27, 2014

Sponsored by:

Senator PETER J. BARNES, III

**District 18 (Middlesex)** 

**Senator JEFF VAN DREW** 

**District 1 (Atlantic, Cape May and Cumberland)** 

Assemblywoman NANCY J. PINKIN

**District 18 (Middlesex)** 

Assemblyman WAYNE P. DEANGELO

**District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex)** 

Assemblyman TIMOTHY J. EUSTACE

District 38 (Bergen and Passaic)

### **Co-Sponsored by:**

Senator Addiego, Assemblyman Coughlin and Assemblywoman Handlin

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Prohibits unsolicited telemarketing sales calls to commercial mobile service devices.

### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/16/2014)

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- b. For the purposes of this section, "commercial mobile service" means a type of mobile telecommunications service as defined in subsection (d) of section 332 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. s.332(d)); and "commercial mobile service device" means any equipment used for the purpose of providing commercial mobile service.
- The provisions of this section shall apply to those numbers for commercial mobile service devices which the division is able to distinguish from numbers for devices for telecommunications service, as defined in section 2 of P.L.1991, c.428 (C.48:2-21.17), on the 30th day following certification of such to the Governor and the Legislature.
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Matter underlined thus is new matter.

### SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

### STATEMENT TO

# **SENATE, No. 1382**

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 9, 2014

The Senate Commerce Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1382.

This bill modifies the State's "no call list" law to allow certain telemarketing sales calls to be made to commercial mobile service devices. Currently, the "no call list" law prohibits all telemarketing sales calls from being made to commercial mobile service devices, except that a commercial mobile service company may call its customers using its commercial mobile services. This bill specifies that only unsolicited telemarketing sales calls are prohibited.

Under the current law, "unsolicited telemarketing sales call" is defined as any telemarketing sales call other than a call made:

- (1) in response to an express written request of the customer called; or
- (2) to an existing customer, which shall include the ability to collect on accounts and follow up on contractual obligations, unless the customer has stated to the telemarketer that the customer no longer desires to receive the telemarketing sales calls of the telemarketer.

These types of calls to customers would be permitted under the bill.

# ASSEMBLY, No. 2933

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

# 216th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MARCH 20, 2014

Sponsored by:

Assemblywoman NANCY J. PINKIN
District 18 (Middlesex)
Assemblyman WAYNE P. DEANGELO
District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex)
Assemblyman TIMOTHY J. EUSTACE
District 38 (Bergen and Passaic)

**Co-Sponsored by:** 

Assemblyman Coughlin and Assemblywoman Handlin

### **SYNOPSIS**

Prohibits unsolicited telemarketing sales calls to commercial mobile service devices.

#### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/16/2014)

**AN ACT** concerning certain unsolicited telemarketing sales calls and amending P.L.2003, c.76.

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

- 1. Section 12 of P.L.2003, c.76 (C.56:8-130) is amended to read as follows:
- 12. a. **[**No**]** A telemarketer shall <u>not</u> make or cause to be made any <u>unsolicited</u> telemarketing sales call to a commercial mobile service device of any customer, except that a telemarketer that is a commercial mobile services company may call its customer using its commercial mobile services if its customer will not incur telecommunication charges or a usage allocation deduction as a result of **[**such**]** <u>the</u> call and the call is directly related to the commercial mobile services of the commercial mobile services company, unless the customer has stated to the commercial mobile services company that the customer no longer desires to receive these calls.
- b. For the purposes of this section, "commercial mobile service" means a type of mobile telecommunications service as defined in subsection (d) of section 332 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. s.332(d)); and "commercial mobile service device" means any equipment used for the purpose of providing commercial mobile service.
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- (cf: P.L.2003, c.76, s.12)

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

#### **STATEMENT**

This bill clarifies the State's "no call list" law to prohibit unsolicited telemarketing sales calls from being made to cell phones. Telemarketers would be allowed to contact customers who have provided telemarketers their contact information. Currently, the "no call list" law prohibits all telemarketing sales calls from being made to cell phones, except that a cell phone service provider may call its own customers.

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### ASSEMBLY CONSUMER AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

### STATEMENT TO

# ASSEMBLY, No. 2933

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 23, 2014

The Assembly Consumer Affairs Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 2933.

This bill amends the State's "no call list" law to prohibit telemarketers from making unsolicited telemarketing sales calls to cell phones.

Under current law, the "no call list" prohibits telemarketers from making any telemarketing sales calls to cell phones, whether they are solicited or unsolicited. The only exception is that a commercial mobile service company may call its own customers if no charges or usage allocation deductions will occur as a result of the call.

This bill amends current law to restrict only unsolicited calls to cell phones. Under the provisions of the bill, a telemarketer would be permitted to place a telemarketing sales call to a person who has provided a cell phone number as contact information.