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18	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 100, L.D. 135, Bill, "An
20	Act to Amend the Notification Requirements Regarding Automated Telephone Solicitation"
22	Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting
24	the following:
26	'An Act Relating to Telephone Solicitation'
28	Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting in its place the following:
30	'Sec. 1. 10 MRSA c. 225 is amended by repealing the chapter
32	headnote and enacting the following in its place:
34	CHAPTER 225
36	TELEPHONE SOLICITATION
38	Sec. 2. 10 MRSA §1499, as amended by PL 1993, c. 589, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
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42	§1499. Telephone solicitation
- 4	A person or entity may not initiate a solicitation call to a
44	residential telephone subscriber in this State who has notified
46	<u>that person or entity, pursuant to Federal Communications</u> <u>Commission Regulations, 47 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 64,</u>
	Section 64.1200, Paragraph e, as in effect on January 1, 1995, of
48	the subscriber's wish not to receive solicitation calls made by or on behalf of that person or entity. Violation of this section
50	is an unfair trade practice under Title 5, section 207.

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Further amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the 6 statement of fact the following:

FISCAL NOTE

This bill may increase the number of civil suits filed in 12 the court system. The additional workload and administrative costs associated with the minimal number of new cases filed can 14 be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial Department. The collection of additional filing fees may also 16 increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment, which is the majority report of the Joint 22 Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy, repeals the requirement that persons who do not want to receive telephone 24 solicitations employing automated calling devices inform their telephone utility.

This amendment incorporates federal law regarding telephone solicitation and makes violation of the federal prohibition an unfair trade practice. Under the amendment, a person may not place a solicitation call to a residential telephone subscriber who has notified the person that the subscriber does not want to receive solicitation calls from that person.

34 This amendment amends the title of the bill and the title of the chapter of law affected by this amendment, the Maine Revised 36 Statutes, Title 10, chapter 225, to reflect the content of the amendment. The amendment also adds a fiscal note.

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