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PUBLIC ACT SUMMARY



**PA 18-135**—sHB 5563

*Judiciary Committee*

**AN ACT CONCERNING ROBO CALLS AND SPOOFING**

**SUMMARY:** Existing law prohibits a person from transmitting unsolicited recorded business, commercial, and advertising messages to Connecticut customers through telephone message devices that do not immediately disconnect when the customer hangs up (e.g., robocalls) and requires violators to be fined up to \$1,000.

This act makes it a class A misdemeanor (see Table on Penalties) for a person to intentionally use a blocking device or service to circumvent a customer's caller identification service or device (e.g., spoofing) to transmit this type of unsolicited message.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 1, 2018