

**General Law Committee
JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT**

Bill No.: HB-5303

AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF PREDATORY TELEMARKETING

Title: PRACTICES.

Vote Date: 3/23/2021

Vote Action: Joint Favorable

PH Date: 2/18/2021

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

General Law Committee

REASONS FOR BILL:

Requirements for the Department of Consumer Protection to do a study on the continuous unsolicited telemarketing and how to set up prohibitions because of all the consumer complaints. The intent of this bill is not to impede good faith businesses tactics to engage individuals in commerce, the bill is designed to combat fraud and protect consumers.

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

None submitted

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

Craig Fishbein, Representative, State of Connecticut testified in support of the bill. I drafted this bill in response to the predatory telemarketing calls. The intent of this bill is not to prohibit legitimate calls but to stop the scammers.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

Eric George, President, Insurance Association of Connecticut submitted testimony. This bill though in good faith would hinder the insurance industry. The bill is unclear and needs more information.

