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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 3079-01
Bill No.: SB 675
Subject: Consumer Protection
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FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of Attorney General (AGO)** assume any potential costs arising from this proposed legislation could be absorbed within existing resources. The AGO may receive a substantial number of new complaints regarding unsolicited text messages and faxes in the future and the AGO may seek additional appropriations from the Merchandising Practices Revolving Fund to investigate and prosecute these complaints in future fiscal years.

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator** assume the proposed legislation would have no fiscal impact on the courts.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** assume many bills considered by the General Assembly include provisions allowing or requiring agencies to submit rules and regulations to implement the act. The SOS is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year's legislative session. The fiscal impact for this proposal for Administrative Rules is less than \$1,500. The SOS recognizes this is a small amount and does not expect additional funding would be required to meet these costs. However, SOS also recognizes that many such bills may be passed in a given year and that collectively the costs may be in excess of what the SOS can sustain with their core budget. Any additional required funding would be requested through the budget process.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

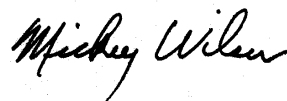
DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation amends the telemarketing no-call list by allowing wireless business and wireless residential subscribers to put their numbers on the state's no-call list, and adds unsolicited faxes to the list of objectionable telephone solicitations subject to the list and subsequent actions by the Attorney General's office.

This legislation is not federally mandated and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space. This legislation could duplicate the Federal Trade Commission's National Do Not Call Registry that covers residential wireless subscribers.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of the Attorney General
Office of State Courts Administrator
Office of the Secretary of State



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