

Union Calendar No. 301

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3541

[Report No. 110-486]

To amend the “Do-not-call” Implementation Act to eliminate the automatic removal of telephone numbers registered on the Federal “do-not-call” registry.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 17, 2007

Mr. DOYLE (for himself, Mr. PICKERING, and Mr. BOUCHER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

DECEMBER 11, 2007

Additional sponsors: Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mr. CAPUANO, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. COHEN, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California, Mr. WALSH of New York, Mrs. BOYDA of Kansas, Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. ELLSWORTH, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Ms. HIRONO, Mrs. CUBIN, Ms. HOOLEY, Mr. KIRK, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. HOLT, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, and Mr. TIM MURPHY of Pennsylvania

DECEMBER 11, 2007

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

A BILL

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the automatic removal of telephone numbers registered on the Federal “do-not-call” registry.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Do-Not-Call Improve-
5 ment Act of 2007”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION OF EXPIRATION DATE FOR REG-**
7 **ISTERED TELEPHONE NUMBERS.**

8 The “Do-not-call” Implementation Act (15 U.S.C.
9 6101 note) is amended—

10 (1) in section 3, after the first sentence, by in-
11 serring the following: “Such rule shall not provide
12 any date of expiration for telephone numbers reg-
13 istered on the ‘do-not-call’ registry, nor for any pre-
14 determined time limitation for telephone numbers to
15 remain on the registry.”; and

16 (2) by adding at the end the following:

17 **“SEC. 5. PROHIBITION OF EXPIRATION DATE.**

18 “In issuing regulations regarding the ‘do-not-call’
19 registry of the Telemarketing Sales Rule (16 C.F.R.
20 310.4(b)(1)(iii)), the Federal Trade Commission shall not
21 provide for any date of expiration for telephone numbers
22 registered on the ‘do-not-call’ registry, nor for any pre-
23 determined time limitation for telephone numbers to re-
24 main on the registry.”.

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 *This Act may be cited as the “Do-Not-Call Improve-*
3 *ment Act of 2007”.*

4 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION OF EXPIRATION DATE FOR REG-**
5 **ISTERED NUMBERS.**

6 *The Do-Not-Call Implementation Act (15 U.S.C. 6101*
7 *note) is amended by adding at the end the following:*

8 **“SEC. 5. PROHIBITION OF EXPIRATION DATE.**

9 *“(a) NO AUTOMATIC REMOVAL OF NUMBERS.—Tele-*
10 *phone numbers registered on the national ‘do-not-call’ reg-*
11 *istry of the Telemarketing Sales Rule (16 C.F.R.*
12 *310.4(b)(1)(iii)) since the establishment of the registry and*
13 *telephone numbers registered on such registry after the date*
14 *of enactment of this Act, shall not be removed from such*
15 *registry except as provided for in subsection (b) or upon*
16 *the request of the individual to whom the telephone number*
17 *is assigned.*

18 *“(b) REMOVAL OF INVALID, DISCONNECTED, AND RE-*
19 *ASSIGNED TELEPHONE NUMBERS.—The Federal Trade*
20 *Commission shall check telephone numbers registered on the*
21 *national ‘do-not-call’ registry against national or other ap-*
22 *propriate databases twice each month and shall remove*
23 *from such registry those telephone numbers that have been*
24 *disconnected and reassigned. Nothing in this section pro-*
25 *hibits the Federal Trade Commission from removing in-*
26 *valid telephone numbers from the registry at any time.”.*

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