## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 1920 Session of 2015

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER AFFAIRS, MARCH 24, 2016

## AN ACT

- Amending the act of December 4, 1996 (P.L.911, No.147), entitled 1 "An act providing for registration requirements for 2 telemarketers and for powers and duties of the Office of Attorney General," further providing for the definition of 4 "telephone solicitation call." 5 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 7 Section 1. The definition of "telephone solicitation call" 8 in section 2 of the act of December 4, 1996 (P.L.911, No.147),
- 10 known as the Telemarketer Registration Act, amended September
- 11 12, 2003 (P.L.105, No.22), is amended to read:
- 12 Section 2. Definitions.
- The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
- 14 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 15 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 16 \* \* \*
- 17 "Telephone solicitation call." A call made to a residential
- 18 or wireless telephone subscriber for the purpose of soliciting

- 1 the sale of any consumer goods or services or for the purpose of
- 2 obtaining information that will or may be used for the direct
- 3 solicitation of a sale of consumer goods or services or an
- 4 extension of credit for that purpose. The term does not include
- 5 a call made to a residential or wireless telephone consumer:
- 6 (1) In response to an express request of the residential
- 7 or wireless telephone consumer.
- 8 (2) In reference to an existing debt, contract, payment
- 9 or performance.
- 10 (3) With whom the telemarketer has an established
- 11 business relationship within the past 12 months preceding the
- 12 call.
- 13 (4) On behalf of [an organization granted tax-exempt
- status under section 501(c)(3), (5) or (8) of the Internal
- 15 Revenue Code of 1986 (Public Law 99-514, 26 U.S.C. § 1 et
- seq.) or] a veterans organization chartered by the Congress
- of the United States and or its duly appointed foundation.
- 18 [(5) On behalf of a political candidate or a political
- 19 party.]
- 20 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.