



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 318

PRINTERS NO. 544

PRIME SPONSOR: Mizgorski

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2018/19	FY 2019/20
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: House Bill 318, Printer's Number 544, amends the Telemarketer Registration Act to prohibit telemarketing on legal holidays and provide for robocall requirements.

ANALYSIS:

This bill amends the Telemarketer Registration Act (Act 147 of 1996) to prohibit the conducting of telemarketing activities on a legal holiday and provide for robocall requirements. The bill defines "robocall" as a telephone solicitation call made to a large number of people or a business, using a computerized autodialer, to deliver a prerecorded telemarketing message, and prohibits such calls to those persons on the "do-not-call" list.

It requires that the listing of a telephone number on the "do-not-call" list be maintained until such time as the number is no longer valid for the subscriber or the subscriber requests to have the telephone number removed from the list. It also requires a telemarketer using robocalls to provide an opt-out process for the called party, while robocalls left on voicemail must include a toll-free call back number that directly connects a person to the opt-out process.

This shall take effect in 60 days upon enactment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Enactment of this bill will have no fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

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DATE: February 20, 2019

Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.