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S 1052

Ban on Deceptive Unsolicited Bulk Electronic Mail Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

Introduced: May 13, 2003

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (text of measure Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (text of measure as

introduced: CR S6142) (May 13, 2003)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]

Party: Democratic • State: FL • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]	$D \cdot AR$		Jun 18, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 13, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 13, 2003)

Ban on Deceptive Unsolicited Bulk Electronic Mail Act of 2003 - Makes it unlawful for any person to knowingly use a computer or computer network to: (1) falsify or forge electronic mail (e-mail) transmission information in connection with the transmission of unsolicited bulk electronic mail through or into the computer network of an e-mail service provider or its subscribers; (2) transmit an e-mail message to a recipient who requests not to receive unsolicited bulk commercial e-mail; or (3) collect e-mail addresses from public and private spaces in order to transmit unsolicited bulk commercial e-mail. Establishes a violation as: (1) a predicate offense under the Racketeering Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act; and (2) an unfair or deceptive act or practice under the Federal Trade Commision Act.

Requires any person sending unsolicited bulk commercial e-mail to provide to its recipients a clear and conspicuous opportunity to request not to receive future unsolicited e-mail.

Actions Timeline

- May 13, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- May 13, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S6054-6055, S6142)
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