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HR 526

Telemarketing Relief Act of 2003 Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commerce Introduced: Feb 4, 2003

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Farm Commodities and Risk Management.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Farm Commodities and Risk Management. (Mar 18, 2003)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Johnson, Nancy L. [R-CT-5]

Party: Republican • State: CT • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Simmons, Rob [R-CT-2]	$R \cdot CT$		Feb 4, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 18, 2003
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 17, 2003
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 14, 2003
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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commerce

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 4, 2003)

Telemarketing Relief Act of 2003 - Requires the following agencies, subject to specified exceptions, to issue rules that are substantially similar to the Telemarketing Sales Rule promulgated by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC): (1) the Securities and Exchange Commission; (2) the Commodity Futures Trading Commission; (3) the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; (4) the Federal Home Loan Bank Board; and (5) the National Credit Union Administration Board; and (6) the Federal Communications Commission.

Requires such rules to prohibit the making of any telephone call for telemarketing purposes to a telephone number included on the registry established and published by the FTC.

Declares that such rules shall not prohibit use of a telephone number of a consumer for: (1) charitable, political opinion polling or other political activities, or other nonprofit activities; (2) use with the consumer's prior written or verbal permission; (3) use primarily in connection with an existing consumer debt or contract that has not been paid or performed; (4) compilation by certain providers of a telephone exchange service or telephone toll service; and (5) use by business to business communication.

Actions Timeline

- Mar 18, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Farm Commodities and Risk Management.
- Mar 17, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet.
- Mar 14, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit.
- Mar 14, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises.
- Feb 4, 2003: Introduced in House
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