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Spoofting Prevention Act of 2016

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** Senate

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Fischer, Deb [R-NE]	R · NE		Feb 22, 2016
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Committee Activity

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Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 22, 2016

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 2669	Related bill	Nov 15, 2016: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
114 S 253	Related bill	Sep 28, 2016: Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendments to Senate bill.
114 S 2644	Related bill	Sep 20, 2016: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 637.
114 S 1759	Related bill	Jul 14, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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This bill amends the Communications Act of 1934 to expand the prohibition against knowingly transmitting misleading or inaccurate caller identification information to apply to: (1) persons outside the United States if the recipient of the call is within the United States, and (2) text messages.

Existing caller identification requirements that apply to calls made using a telecommunications service or IP-enabled voice service are revised to apply to voice communications using resources from the North American Numbering Plan.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) must publish on its website a report that identifies existing technologies that consumers can use to protect against misleading or inaccurate caller identification information.

The Government Accountability Office must report on: (1) actions taken, or actions that could be taken, by the FCC or the Federal Trade Commission to combat the fraudulent provision of misleading or inaccurate caller identification information; and (2) any recommendations to combat the fraudulent provision of such information.

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