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February 12, 2015 **CORRECTED (2/13/2015)**

Mr. Speaker:

The Public Utilities and Technology Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **H.B. 214**, MISREPRESENTATION OF TELEPHONE AND TEXT IDENTIFICATION, by Representative D. Lifferth, with the following amendments:

- 1. Page 1, Lines 14 through 15:
 - prohibits making telephone calls or text messages that provide false or inaccurate
 - caller or text message identification information with the intent to mislead harm;
- 2. Page 1, Lines 16 through 17:
 - provides that a <u>first</u> violation is a class <u>C misdemeanor and that any</u> subsequent violation is a class B misdemeanor; {-and-}
 - provides that the recipient of the call or text may bring a civil action for damages ; and
 - provides that an Internet service provider or hosting company, a provider of public telecommunications services, or a text message service that transmits, routes, or otherwise manages data without selecting the content is not subject to these prohibitions.
- 3. Page 2, Line 50:
 - 50 message identification information with the intent to {deceive} harm the recipient of the call or text







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- 4. Page 3, Lines 60 through 61:
 - 60 (5) Each separate call { , message, } or text message transmitted in violation of this section
 - 61 <u>is</u> <u>:</u>
 - (a) for a first violation, a class C misdemanor; and
 - (b) for a second or subsequent violation, a class B misdemeanor.
- 5. *Page 3, Lines 63 through 64:*
 - 63 message, or text message made in violation of this section, a criminal action initiated by a
 - prosecuting attorney, or both.
 - (7) This section does not apply to an Internet service provider or hosting company, a provider of public telecommunications services, or a text message service by reason of the fact that the Internet service provider, hosting company, text message service, or provider of public telecommunications services:

 (i) transmits, routes, or provides connections for material without selecting the material;
 - (ii) stores or delivers the material at the direction of a user; or
 - (iii) provides a caller or text message identification service.

Respectfully,

Ken Ivory Committee Chair

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