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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science,
and Transportation

AN ACT

To amend the Communications Act of 1934 to expand and clarify the prohibition on provision of inaccurate caller identification information, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Anti-Spoofing Act of
3 2014”.

4 **SEC. 2. EXPANDING AND CLARIFYING PROHIBITION ON IN-**
5 **ACCURATE CALLER ID INFORMATION.**

6 (a) COMMUNICATIONS FROM OUTSIDE UNITED
7 STATES.—Section 227(e)(1) of the Communications Act
8 of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 227(e)(1)) is amended by inserting
9 “or any person outside the United States if the recipient
10 is within the United States,” after “United States,”.

11 (b) TEXT MESSAGING SERVICE.—Section 227(e)(8)
12 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 227(e)(8))
13 is amended—

14 (1) in subparagraph (A), by inserting “(includ-
15 ing a text message sent using a text messaging serv-
16 ice)” before the period at the end;

17 (2) in the first sentence of subparagraph (B),
18 by inserting “(including a text message sent using a
19 text messaging service)” before the period at the
20 end; and

21 (3) by adding at the end the following:

22 “(D) TEXT MESSAGE.—The term ‘text
23 message’ means a real-time or near real-time
24 message consisting of text, images, sounds, or
25 other information that is transmitted from or
26 received by a device that is identified as the

1 transmitting or receiving device by means of a
2 telephone number. Such term—

3 “(i) includes a short message service
4 (SMS) message, an enhanced message
5 service (EMS) message, and a multimedia
6 message service (MMS) message; and

7 “(ii) does not include a real-time, two-
8 way voice or video communication.

9 “(E) TEXT MESSAGING SERVICE.—The
10 term ‘text messaging service’ means a service
11 that permits the transmission or receipt of a
12 text message, including a service provided as
13 part of or in connection with a telecommuni-
14 cations service or an IP-enabled voice service.”.

15 (c) COVERAGE OF OUTGOING-CALL-ONLY IP-EN-
16 ABLED VOICE SERVICE.—Section 227(e)(8)(C) of the
17 Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 227(e)(8)(C)) is
18 amended by striking “has the meaning” and all that fol-
19 lows and inserting “means the provision of real-time voice
20 communications offered to the public, or such class of
21 users as to be effectively available to the public, trans-
22 mitted using Internet protocol, or a successor protocol,
23 (whether part of a bundle of services or separately) with
24 interconnection capability such that the service can origi-

1 nate traffic to, or terminate traffic from, the public
 2 switched telephone network, or a successor network.”.

3 (d) REGULATIONS.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 227(e)(3)(A) of the
 5 Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C.
 6 227(e)(3)(A)) is amended by striking “Not later
 7 than 6 months after the date of enactment of the
 8 Truth in Caller ID Act of 2009, the Commission”
 9 and inserting “The Commission”.

10 (2) DEADLINE.—The Federal Communications
 11 Commission shall prescribe regulations to implement
 12 the amendments made by this section not later than
 13 18 months after the date of the enactment of this
 14 Act.

15 (e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 16 this section shall take effect on the date that is 6 months
 17 after the date on which the Federal Communications Com-
 18 mission prescribes regulations to implement the amend-
 19 ments made by this section.

Passed the House of Representatives September 9,
 2014.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk.