## COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

### FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4644H.011
Bill No.: HB 1932
Subject: Attorney General; Business and Commerce
Type: Original
Date: February 5, 2024

Bill Summary: This proposal allows businesses to register for the no-call list.

# FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027		
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>					
<b>Effect on General</b>					
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0		

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027		
Merchandising					
Practices Revolving	\$0 or	\$0 or	\$0 or		
Fund (0631)*	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown		
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>					
Effect on Other State	<b>\$0 or</b>	<b>\$0 or</b>	<b>\$0 or</b>		
Funds	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown		

\*Oversight assumes this proposal could increase collections by the AGO from offenders, but assumes the amount of collections would not reach the \$250,000 threshold.

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027		
Total Estimated Net					
Effect on <u>All</u> Federal					
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0		

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027		
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>					
<b>Effect on FTE</b>	0	0	0		

□ Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

□ Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED         FY 2025         FY 2026         FY 2027					
Local Government\$0\$0\$0					

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of Attorney General (AGO)** did not respond to our request for fiscal impact. However, in response to a similar proposal (SB 963), the AGO assumed any potential litigation costs arising from this proposal can be absorbed with existing resources. The AGO stated they may seek additional appropriations if the proposal results in a significant increase in litigation or investigation.

**Oversight** notes that the AGO stated the proposal would not have a direct fiscal impact on their organization. Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact on the fiscal note.

**Oversight** inquired of the AGO regarding the number of cases resolved in the past and the amount collected in judgements. The money received for judgements goes to the Merchandising Practices Revolving Fund (0631). This is the information they provided:

Year	# of cases	Judgements	# of collections	Collections
2014	17	\$758,000	12	\$260,500
2015	7	\$1,109,000	4	\$605,917
2016	6	\$43,000	4	\$18,000
2017	11	\$805,433	6	\$305,433
2018	1	\$500,133	1	\$135
2019	1	\$85,000	1	\$8,500
2020	0	\$0	0	\$0
2021	0	\$0	0	\$0
2022	0	\$0	0	\$0
2023	3	\$244,753,640	2	\$15,000

**Oversight** notes that the AGO stated the proposal would not have a direct fiscal impact on their organization. Oversight assumes this proposal may increase the number of cases referred to the AGO and could result in an increase in fine collections under this chapter. Oversight will reflect a \$0 or Unknown (assumed to be less than \$250,000 in additional collections resulting from these changes) positive fiscal impact to the Merchandising Practices Revolving Fund.

FISCAL IMPACT – State Government	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
	(10 Mo.)		
MERCHANDISNG PRACTICES			
REVOLVING (0631)			
<u>AGO</u> – Potential increase in judgement			
collections for expansion of			
Telemarketing No-Call statutes	\$0 or	\$0 or	\$0 or
§§407.1095 – 407.1110 p. 3	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO THE			
MERCHANDISNG PRACTICES	<u>\$0 or</u>	<u>\$0 or</u>	<u>\$0 or</u>
REVOLVING (0631)	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>

FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government	FY 2025 (10 Mo.)	FY 2026	FY 2027
	(10 1010.)		
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

#### FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Small businesses may be desire to be placed on the no-call list as a result of this proposal.

#### FISCAL DESCRIPTION

Currently, no person or entity shall solicit, by telephone, any residential subscriber that has objected to receiving telephone solicitations.

This bill allows business subscribers, as defined in the bill, to be added to the no-call list.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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# SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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