

SENATE BILL 1232

By Bunch

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 65,
Chapter 4, Part 4, relative to telephone
solicitations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-4-401, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision thereto:

() "Business subscriber" means a person or entity who has subscribed to business telephone service or the other persons working for such entity;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-4-410, is amended by designating the present language as subsection (a) and by adding the following language as a new subsection (b):

(b) Business telephone subscribers may enroll on the Tennessee Do Not Call Register in the manner prescribed by the authority. Enrollment shall take effect thirty (30) days following the first succeeding month of enrollment by the subscriber.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 65, Chapter 4, Part 4, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

65-4-411.

If upon receipt of an initial telephone solicitation, a business subscriber states that it does not want to receive more telephone solicitation calls, the business making the call shall place the business subscriber's telephone number on its internal do not call list and shall refrain from further telephone solicitation to the business subscriber.

Additional telephone solicitation by such business to the business subscriber shall be a violation of this part. Upon written complaint by the business subscriber to the authority,

and after investigation, notice, and hearing, such a violation shall be punishable by a fine of up to two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per violation pursuant to § 65-4-405(f).

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.