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AN ACT to amend the state finance law, in relation to requiring software that blocks automated calls to be provided in state contracts that include information and communication technologies

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The state finance law is amended by adding a new section 148 to read as follows:

§ 148. Automated call software. 1. As used in this section:

a. "information and communication technologies" includes, but shall not be limited to, any communication device or application including radio, television, cellular phones, computer and network hardware and software, and satellite systems as well as the various services and applications associated with them, such as videoconferencing and distance learning;

b. "caller identification information" means information provided to an end user by a caller identification service regarding the telephone number of, or other information regarding the origination of, a call made using a telecommunications service or voip service;

c. "caller identification service" means any service or device designed to provide the user of the service or device with the telephone number of, or other information regarding the origination of, a call made using a telecommunications service or voip service. Such term includes automatic number identification services; and

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 d. "voip service" means any service that: enables real time, two-way
2 voice communication originating from or terminating at the user's
3 location in internet protocol or a successor protocol; utilizes a broad-
4 band connection at the user's location; and permits a user to receive a
5 call that originates on the public switched telephone network and to
6 terminate a call to the public switched telephone network.

7 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, where a
8 contract that includes information and communication technologies is to
9 be awarded by a state agency, public authority or municipality pursuant
10 to a competitive bidding process or a request for proposal process, such
11 competitive bidding process or request for proposal and the subsequent
12 awarded contract shall require that such information and communication
13 technologies shall make available software that blocks automated calls
14 and calls that cause a caller identification service to transmit false
15 caller identification information to all telephone and wireless cell
16 phone customers. Such software shall be provided free of charge.

17 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-
18 ing the date it shall have become a law.