

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

March 7, 2019

Introduced by M. of A. TITUS, COOK, MOSLEY, COLTON, STECK -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. ARROYO, PERRY -- read once and referred to the Committee on Consumer Affairs and Protection

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to authorizing a parent access to retrieve and view text messages on a minor child's telephone

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

1 Section 1. Section 399-dd of the general business law, as added by
2 chapter 487 of the laws of 2006, is renumbered section 676 and a new
3 section 677 is added to read as follows:

4 § 677. Contract option to view child's text messages. 1. A contract
5 between a telephone company and a customer shall offer the customer the
6 option to retrieve and view text messages that are sent from or received
7 by the customer's minor child's telephone. The contract may include an
8 additional fee for this option.

9 2. For the purposes of this section, the terms "telephone company",
10 "telephone", and "customer" shall have the same meaning as in subdivi-
11 sion one of section six hundred seventy-six of this article.

12 § 2. Sections 676 and 677 of the general business law, section 676 as
13 renumbered and section 677 as added by section one of this act, are
14 designated article 32-A and a new article heading is added to read as
15 follows:

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16 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.
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EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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