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Introduced by Sen. SKOUFIS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance -- committee discharged and said bill committed to the Committee on Procurement and Contracts -- reported favorably from said committee, ordered to first report, amended on first report, ordered to a second report and ordered reprinted, retaining its place in the order of second report

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 149 to read as follows:

§ 149. 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

d. "voip service" means any service that: enables real time, two-way voice communication originating from or terminating at the user's

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

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1 location in internet protocol or a successor protocol; utilizes a broad-
2 band connection at the user's location; and permits a user to receive a
3 call that originates on the public switched telephone network and to
4 terminate a call to the public switched telephone network.

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

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