



# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SB 1375

telephone solicitations

Prime Sponsor: Senator Lesko, LD 21

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## OVERVIEW

SB 1375 changes the definition of *telephone solicitation* to include outbound calls to other states.

## PROVISIONS

1. Defines *telephone solicitation* as any voice communication from a live operator, announcing device or otherwise that is offering merchandise for sale or rent and the call is to or from a person located in this state.
2. Expands the prohibition of calling people on the national do-not-call registry to include out-of-state phone numbers.
3. Makes conforming changes.

## CURRENT LAW

[A.R.S. § 44-1271](#) states that a telephone solicitation occurs when a live operator, announcing device or otherwise offers merchandise for sale or rent to a telephone number in this state.

[A.R.S. § 44-1272](#) requires telemarketers to register annually with the Secretary of State (SOS) before the seller solicits any consumer from a location in this state or any consumer located in this state. The SOS has three types of [registrations](#) that telemarketers can file: full registration; limited registration; and, a filing exemption. An annual full registration filing fee is \$500 and applicants are required to submit a surety bond of \$100,000. Applicants for a limited registration or a filing exemption are not required to pay a filing fee or surety bond.

[A.R.S. § 44-1282](#) prohibits telemarketers from calling telephone numbers in Arizona if the telephone number is entered in the national do-not-call registry established by the Federal Trade Commission.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

According to the [SOS's website](#):

“In response to growing concerns raised by consumers and businesses relating to unsolicited telephone solicitations, the Secretary of State's Office in conjunction with the Consumer Fraud Division of the Office of the Attorney General have worked to protect consumers from unwanted telephone sales calls and to provide increased public information before the seller solicits any consumer from a location in this state or any consumer located in this state.”