

FINAL BILL REPORT

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Prohibiting the use of identifying information to solicit undesired mail.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senators Bauer and Rasmussen).

Senate Committee on Judiciary

House Committee on Judiciary

Background: It is possible for a person to cause unwanted magazine subscriptions, merchandise, or other mail to be delivered to another individual with the intent to harass the recipient. The credit record of the recipient of such undesired mail may be damaged and the victim may have to expend considerable effort to remedy the problems caused.

Summary: Use of any identifying information of another person to solicit undesired mail directed to that person is a misdemeanor. It is clarified that a person guilty of identity theft or solicitation of undesired mail is also liable for civil damages of the greater of actual damages or \$500 plus reasonable attorney's fees to be determined by the court.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	44	0	
House	96	2	(House amended)
Senate	46	0	(Senate concurred)

Effective: June 8, 2000