

General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 3



Referred to Committee on GENERAL LAW

Introduced by: SEN. LOONEY, 11th Dist. SEN. DUFF, 25th Dist. SEN. ANWAR, 3rd Dist. SEN. CABRERA, 17th Dist. SEN. COHEN, 12th Dist. SEN. FLEXER, 29th Dist. SEN. GASTON, 23rd Dist. SEN. HOCHADEL, 13th Dist. SEN. KUSHNER, 24th Dist. SEN. LESSER, 9th Dist. SEN. MAHER, 26th Dist.

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AN ACT CONCERNING CONSUMER PROTECTION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That the general statutes be amended to require Internet service 2 providers operating in the state to register with the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority and pay an annual registration fee, to require the 3 Public Utilities Regulatory Authority to apply net neutrality principles 4 to Internet service providers in Connecticut and to require a civil 5 6 penalty be imposed by the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority for 7 failure of an Internet service provider to comply with such principles 8 where each day in violation is a separate offense.

Statement of Purpose:

To require Internet service providers to register and to require the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority to apply net neutrality principles to Internet service providers and enforce such principles with civil penalties.