HOUSE BILL 2504

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 47, Chapter 18, relative to caller identification spoofing.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 47-18-2302, is amended by deleting subsection (a) and substituting:

(a) Except as provided in § 47-18-2303, it is an offense for:

(1) A person, in connection with a telecommunications service or an interconnected VoIP service, to knowingly cause any caller identification service to transmit misleading or inaccurate caller identification information to a subscriber with the intent to defraud or cause harm to another person or to wrongfully obtain anything of value; or

(2) A person, on behalf of a debt collector or inbound telemarketer service, to knowingly cause any caller identification service to transmit misleading or inaccurate caller identification information, including caller identification information that does not match the area code of the person or the debt collector or inbound telemarketer service the person is calling on behalf of, or that is not a toll-free phone number, to a subscriber with the intent to induce the subscriber to answer.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 47-18-2302(b), is amended by deleting "subsection (a)" and substituting "subdivision (a)(1) or (2)".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 47-18-2302(f), is amended by deleting "subsection (a)" and substituting "subdivision (a)(1) or (2)".

SECTION 4. This act takes effect July 1, 2024, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to conduct occurring on or after that date.