

**SENATE . . . . . No.**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Richard R. Tisei**

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act to protect consumer privacy rights.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Richard R. Tisei

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Middlesex and Essex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. S01988 OF 2007-2008.]

## **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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### **AN ACT TO PROTECT CONSUMER PRIVACY RIGHTS.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 166 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is  
2 hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new section:-

3 Section 45. To ensure that consumer privacy rights are preserved for all residents of the  
4 Commonwealth, telecommunications providers shall:

5 (a) maintain their customer telephone database internally, and under no circumstances release  
6 this information to any private entity or subcontractor; and

7 (b) fully mask a customer's telephone number when providing information on a customer's bill  
8 payment history to any credit reporting bureau.

9 Violations of this section shall be punishable by a fine of \$1,000 for the first offense and \$5,000  
10 for each subsequent offense.

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