

By Senator Gruters

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to assignment of consumer debts;
3 amending s. 559.715, F.S.; clarifying that an assignee
4 must give a debtor certain notice within a specified
5 timeframe before the assignee brings legal action to
6 collect the debt; providing an effective date.

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8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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10 Section 1. Section 559.715, Florida Statutes, is amended to
11 read:

12 559.715 Assignment of consumer debts.—This part does not
13 prohibit the assignment, by a creditor, of the right to bill and
14 collect a consumer debt. However, the assignee must give the
15 debtor written notice of such assignment as soon as practical
16 after the assignment is made, but at least 30 days before
17 bringing any legal action to collect the debt. The assignee is a
18 real party in interest and may bring an action to collect a debt
19 that has been assigned to the assignee and is in default.

20 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.