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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to caller identification information; creating s. 364.242, F.S.; prohibiting the transmission of misleading or inaccurate caller identification information; requiring a telecommunications company to provide the telephone number and location from which each telephone call originates; requiring a telecommunications company to block all telephone calls and text messages that contain manipulated caller identification information; providing applicability; providing penalties; creating s. 364.243, F.S.; defining the term "STIR/SHAKEN authentication framework"; requiring telecommunications companies to implement a framework to verify and authenticate caller identification information; requiring each telecommunications company to file a certification with the Federal Communications Commission; providing penalties; amending s. 365.176, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 364.242, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

364.242 Misleading or inaccurate caller identification.—
(1) A person may not, in connection with a
telecommunications company, cause a caller identification
service as defined in s. 365.176 to knowingly transmit

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30 misleading or inaccurate caller identification information with
31 the intent to defraud, cause harm, or wrongfully obtain anything
32 of value.

33 (2) A telecommunications company must provide the telephone
34 number and location from which each telephone call originates
35 and must block all telephone calls and text messages that
36 contain manipulated caller identification information that does
37 not match such telephone number or location.

38 (3) This section does not apply to transmissions in
39 connection with:

40 (a) Any authorized activity of a law enforcement agency; or
41 (b) A court order that specifically authorizes manipulation
42 of caller identification information.

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44 The commission shall determine additional exemptions from this
45 section as it deems appropriate.

46 (4) A telecommunications company may be held civilly liable
47 and, notwithstanding s. 364.285(1), subject to a penalty of
48 \$250,000 if it is found to be in violation of this section.

49 Section 2. Section 364.243, Florida Statutes, is created to
50 read:

51 364.243 Authentication framework implementation.—

52 (1) As used in this section, the term "STIR/SHAKEN
53 authentication framework" means the Secure Telephone Identity
54 Revisited (STIR) and Signature-based Handling of Asserted
55 Information Using toKENs (SHAKEN) standards proposed by the
56 information and communications technology industry.

57 (2) By July 1, 2027, the commission shall require every
58 telecommunications company to implement the STIR/SHAKEN

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59 authentication framework or an alternative technology that
60 provides comparable or superior capability to verify and
61 authenticate caller identification information in the Internet
62 protocol networks of the telecommunications company.

63 (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a
64 telecommunications company shall file a certification with the
65 Federal Communications Commission that the company's traffic is
66 either digitally verified by the STIR/SHAKEN authentication
67 framework or subject to a compliant automated call mitigation
68 program. The company shall provide a copy of such certification
69 to the Attorney General or the commission upon request.

70 (4) A telecommunications company may be held civilly liable
71 and, notwithstanding s. 364.285(1), subject to a penalty of
72 \$250,000 if it is found to be in violation of this section.

73 Section 3. Present subsection (4) of section 365.176,
74 Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (5) and amended,
75 and a new subsection (4) is added to that section, to read:

76 365.176 Florida Call-Blocking Act.—

77 (4) Under s. 364.242, providers must block calls that
78 contain manipulated caller identification information that does
79 not match the originating number or location of the call.

80 (5)-(4) For purposes of blocking calls from certain
81 originating numbers as authorized and required in this section,
82 a provider may rely on ~~caller identification service~~ information
83 provided by the pooling administrator to determine the
84 originating number.

85 Section 4. This act shall take effect October 1, 2026.