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sSB-1058

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S
RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING CONSUMER PROTECTION
AND FINANCIAL REPORTING BY CHARITABLE
ORGANIZATIONS.

AMENDMENT

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 24 \$	FY 25 \$
Various	Various - Revenue Impact	See Below	See Below

Note: Various=Various

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The amendment strikes the underlying bill and its associated fiscal impact resulting in the following impact.

The amendment makes various changes to the Attorney General, Consumer Protection, and the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA) statutes resulting in the revenue impacts described below.

Section 4 specifies that any civil penalties collected for violations of this section may be deposited into the privacy protection guaranty and enforcement account resulting in a potential revenue gain to the account to the extent violations occur and are deposited into the account. This also represents a potential revenue loss to the General Fund (GF) to the extent future revenue from these fines is diverted to the privacy

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protection guaranty and enforcement account.

Section 5 increases the civil penalty to not more than \$5,000 per violation and removes the cap on civil penalties for any single event resulting in a revenue gain to the state to the extent that these violations occur.

Section 5 also allows instead of requires civil penalties collected for violations of this section to be deposited into the privacy protection guaranty and enforcement account resulting in a potential revenue loss to the extent future revenue is diverted. This also represents a potential revenue gain to the GF to the extent future revenue from these fines is diverted from the privacy protection guaranty and enforcement account and into the GF.

Section 9 creates a new penalty of up to \$20,000 per violation of this section resulting in a potential revenue gain to the GF to the extent violations occur.

Section 18 mandates that no cable or video service provider may charge a subscriber for any length of time after they have requested the termination of their subscription. The amendment requires no additional action on the part of the state or municipalities.

Section 19 has no fiscal impact. The amendment alters some regulatory oversight responsibilities of the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA), without obligating the state to further action. There may be additional hearings and filings within PURA as a result of the amendment, but this can be carried out within existing resources.

Section 20-24 make various changes concerning bazars and raffles resulting in no fiscal impact to the state.

Section 25 repeals section 42-288c of the general statutes, which compensates individuals who provide material information to DCP that resulted in a telephone solicitor being fined resulting in a potential revenue gain to the state to the extent these payments would have occurred.

The bill makes various other Consumer Protection related changes which is anticipated to result in no fiscal impact to the state or municipalities.

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