

1 A RESOLUTION urging the United States Congress to enact comprehensive
2 legislation to combat call spoofing.

3 WHEREAS, Congress enacted the 2009 Truth in Caller Identification Act in 2009;
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5 WHEREAS, an estimated 4.7 billion automated solicitation calls were placed to
6 telecommunications subscribers in the United States in December 2018 alone, and
7 approximately half of those calls are estimated to use phone number spoofing to make the
8 calls appear to be local calls, or to otherwise hide the identity of the caller, despite federal
9 and state legislation against such practices; and

10 WHEREAS, the 115th Congress amended and strengthened the Truth in Caller
11 Identification Act to cover callers outside the United States placing calls into the country
12 through the passage of H.R. 423 in the House of Representatives, while the United States
13 Senate passed the substantially similar S. 134; and

14 WHEREAS, The Attorneys General of 35 states have issued a memo to encourage
15 the Federal Communications Commission to identify new ways to enable
16 telecommunications providers to block spoofed calls because the problem has become
17 more widespread and the effects on consumers have become more disruptive;

18 NOW, THEREFORE,

19 ***Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the***
20 ***Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

21 ➔Section 1. The House of Representatives respectfully urges the United States
22 Congress to resolve the differences in the bills passed by each chamber in order to move
23 forward with new enforcement tools to combat fraud.

24 ➔Section 2. The House of Representatives respectfully urges the United States
25 Congress to require telecommunications providers doing business in the United States to
26 implement caller verification technology and provide tools to combat all call spoofing,
27 regardless of intent.

1 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a
2 copy of this Resolution to the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Speaker of
3 the United States House of Representatives, and each member of the Kentucky
4 Congressional delegation.