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HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS, THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, AND THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION TO ELIMINATE FRAUDULENT TELEPHONE CALLS.

WHEREAS, consumers need protection from fraudulent business 1 2 practices; and 3 WHEREAS, some disreputable businesses use telephone calls 4 5 to attempt to lure consumers into their fraudulent business practices; and 6 7 WHEREAS, many of these businesses impersonate governmental 8 9 agencies, such as the Internal Revenue Service, in the course of conducting their schemes; and 10 11 WHEREAS, even though many of these calls are not traced and 12 do not involve credit card transactions, consumers may still 13 suffer harm in other ways; and 14 15 WHEREAS, telephone companies should be required to warn 16 consumers of calls from suspected fraudulent businesses before 17 the calls reach consumers so that consumers do not have to waste 18 their time listening to or filtering out these calls; now, 19 20 therefore, 21 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 22 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 23 2019, that the United States Congress, the Federal 24 Communications Commission, and the Federal Trade Commission are 25 urged to take steps, including the enactment of laws or 26 regulations, to: 27 28 29 Eliminate all fraudulent telephone calls in the United (1) States, regardless of whether the calls are traced or 30 31 whether they involve credit card transactions; and

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- (2) Require telephone companies to provide audible or visual warnings of calls from suspected fraudulent sources before the calls reach consumers; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 6 Resolution be transmitted to the Majority Leader of the United 7 States Senate, Speaker of the United States House of 8 Representatives, Hawaii's congressional delegation, Chairman of 9 the Federal Communications Commission, and Chairman of the 10 Federal Trade Commission 11

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