

HB 1185-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Declares that a radio communications service company, as defined in RCW 80.04.010, or any direct or indirect affiliate or agent of a provider, shall not include the phone number of any subscriber for inclusion in any directory of any form, nor shall it sell the contents of any directory data base, without first obtaining the express, opt-in consent of that subscriber. The subscriber's consent must be obtained either in writing or electronically, and a receipt must be provided to the subscriber.

Declares that every knowing violation of this act is punishable by a fine of up to fifty thousand dollars for each violation.

Authorizes the attorney general to bring actions to enforce compliance with this act. For the first violation by any company or organization of this act, the attorney general may notify the company with a letter of warning that the act has been violated.

Provides that no telecommunications company, nor any official or employee of a telecommunications company, shall be subject to criminal or civil liability for the release of customer information as authorized by this act.