
SENATE BILL 5530

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By Senators Fain, Mullet, Pedersen, and Litzow

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1 AN ACT Relating to revocation parity; and adding a new chapter to
2 Title 19 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** Any person who enters into a commercial
5 transaction for a product, that is delivered by subscription, that
6 person must be able to cancel or revoke the product subscription by
7 the same means as the original transaction occurred, including
8 whether in-person, by telephone, through the mail, or by electronic
9 means.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) The legislature finds that the failure
11 to allow the cancellation or revocation of a product subscription as
12 provided in section 1 of this act are matters vitally affecting the
13 public interest for the purpose of applying the consumer protection
14 act, chapter 19.86 RCW. A violation of section 1 of this act is not
15 reasonable in relation to the development and preservation of
16 business and constitutes an unfair or deceptive act in trade or
17 commerce and an unfair method of competition for the purpose of
18 applying the consumer protection act, chapter 19.86 RCW.

19 (2) Any person suffering a financial injury for a violation of
20 section 1 of this act may bring a civil action in superior court,

1 under the consumer protection act, chapter 19.86 RCW, to enjoin
2 further violations, to recover the actual damages sustained by him or
3 her, together with the costs of the suit, including reasonable
4 attorneys' fees. In addition, the court may, in its discretion,
5 increase the award of damages up to an amount not to exceed three
6 times the actual damages sustained.

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act may be known and cited as the
8 "revocation parity act."

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** Sections 1 through 3 of this act
10 constitute a new chapter in Title 19 RCW.

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