



Title: Tennessee House Bill 1652

Subject: Automatic Renewal

Summary:

Tennessee House Bill 1652 adds a new section that sets forth requirements for offering automatic renewal or continuous service offers. The bill has been amended to add exemptions for:

- Banks & Credit Unions;
- Department of Financial Institution licensees;
- A service provided by a business, or its affiliate, pursuant to a franchise issued by a political subdivision of this state or a license, franchise, certificate, or other authorization issued by the Tennessee public utility commission;
- Those regulated by Tennessee public utilities commission, the Federal Communications Commission, or the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission,
- A business licensed under Title 56 (insurance code)

The amendment also defines “consumer” to mean “an individual who acquires goods or services for personal, family, or household purposes.”

The bill requires businesses making automatic renewal offers obtain affirmative consent from the consumer. Such businesses must also present the offer terms in a clear and conspicuous manner and must disclose information regarding cancellation.

The bill requires businesses provide a cost-effective, timely, and easy-to-use mechanism for cancellation for automatic renewal offers. Additionally, if a consumer can accept an offer online, they must be able to cancel online.

Any material change to the automatic renewal terms must be provided to the consumer with a clear and conspicuous notice of the material change and provide information regarding how to cancel in a manner that is capable of being retained by the consumer.

This bill is effective January 1, 2023.

Date Filed:	12/15/2021	
Date/Type of Last Action:	12/15/2021	Filed for introduction;
	01/11/2022	Introduced, Passed first Consideration
	01/12/2022	Passed second consideration; referred to commerce committee Assigned to Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee
	01/19/2022	Placed on Subcommittee calendar for Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee for 1/26/22
	01/26/2022	Placed on s/c cal Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee for 2/2/2022
	02/02/2022	Rec for pass if am by s/c ref. to Commerce Committee
	02/02/2022	Placed on cal. Commerce Committee for 2/8/2022
	02/08/2022	Action deferred in Commerce Committee to 2/15/2022
	02/09/2022	Placed on cal. Commerce Committee for 2/15/2022
	02/15/2022	Recommended for passage if amended, refer to Calendar and Rules Committee
	02/16/2022	Placed on calendar for Calendar and Rules Committee.
	02/17/2022	Placed on regular calendar for 2/24
	02/24/2022	House adopted amendment
	02/24/2022	House Passed as amended (84-0) Engrossed, ready for transmission to Senate
	02/28/2022	Received from House, Passed on First Consideration

03/10/2022 Senate substituted House Bill for companion Senate Bill.
Amendment Withdrawn
(amendment 1 SA 0564)
Senate Reset on Calendar for
3/17/2022

03/15/2022 Placed on Senate Regular Calendar
for 3/17/2022

03/17/2022 Passed Senate (31-0)

03/18/2022 Enrolled; ready for sig. of House
Speaker

03/23/2022 Signed by House Speaker

03/28/2022 Signed by Senate Speaker
Transmitted to Governor for his
action.

04/08/2022 Signed by the Governor