

SENATE BILL 718

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CF HB 529

By: **Senator Garagiola**

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Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Telephone Companies – Distribution of Telephone Directories to Residential**
3 **Customers**

4 FOR the purpose of providing that a telephone company may not be required to
5 distribute a certain telephone directory to an address in the State unless the
6 property owner or an occupant requests the directory; and generally relating to
7 telephone companies and the distribution of telephone directories.

8 BY adding to
9 Article – Public Utilities
10 Section 8–206
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2010 Replacement Volume)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article – Public Utilities**

16 **8–206.**

17 **(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES DISTRIBUTED**
18 **BY, OR ON BEHALF OF, A TELEPHONE COMPANY OTHER THAN**
19 **ADVERTISEMENT–BASED BUSINESS DIRECTORIES.**

20 **(B) A TELEPHONE COMPANY MAY NOT BE REQUIRED TO DISTRIBUTE A**
21 **TELEPHONE DIRECTORY TO AN ADDRESS IN THE STATE UNLESS THE PROPERTY**
22 **OWNER OR AN OCCUPANT REQUESTS THE TELEPHONE DIRECTORY.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 October 1, 2011.