

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 3

January Session, 2025



AN ACT CONCERNING CONSUMER PROTECTION AND SAFETY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2026*) (a) For the purposes of this section:
- 3 (1) "Business" has the same meaning as provided in section 42-158ff 4 of the general statutes; and
- 5 (2) "Person" has the same meaning as provided in section 1-79 of the general statutes.
- 7 (b) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, no 8 business that offers to sell, lease or otherwise provide any good or 9 service shall:
- 10 (A) Advertise, display or otherwise offer such good or service to any 11 person at a price that excludes any fee, charge or cost that such person 12 is required to pay in order to purchase, lease or otherwise receive such 13 good or service; or
- (B) Require any person to pay any fee, charge or cost to purchase, lease or otherwise receive such good or service if such fee, charge or cost (i) is not advertised, displayed or otherwise offered in compliance with the provisions of subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, or (ii) is

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18 intentionally obscured, unclear or misrepresented by such business.

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- 19 (2) The provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall not be construed to:
 - (A) Prohibit a business from omitting any applicable federal, state or local tax, or any mandatory fee imposed by any government, governmental subdivision, agency or instrumentality or quasi-governmental instrumentality, from any advertised, displayed or otherwise offered price for a good or service if such tax or fee is disclosed to the person before such person purchases, leases or otherwise receives the good or service;
 - (B) Prohibit a business from imposing any mandatory gratuity, or omitting any mandatory gratuity from any advertised or displayed price for a good or service, if the existence of such mandatory gratuity and the manner in which such mandatory gratuity is calculated are clearly and conspicuously disclosed to the person before the person selects the good or service for purchase, leasing or receipt;
 - (C) Prohibit a business from imposing any fee, charge or cost for a good or service, or omitting the amount of any fee, charge or cost from any advertised or displayed price for a good or service, if (i) the amount of such fee, charge or cost is (I) dependent on the person's selections or cannot feasibly be calculated in full when the price for such good or service is first advertised or displayed, including, but not limited to, any fee, charge or cost imposed for shipping or delivery or that varies according to such person's location or the quantity or number of goods purchased, leased or otherwise received by such person, or (II) charged to the person for the purpose of confirming such person's identity or payment information, in an amount that does not exceed one dollar and is promptly refunded to the person, (ii) the existence of such fee, charge or cost is disclosed when the good or service is advertised or displayed to the person, and (iii) the amount of such fee, charge or cost is disclosed to the person before such person purchases, leases or otherwise receives such good or service;

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- 50 (D) Apply to any transaction that is subject to the provisions of chapter 704 of the general statutes;
- 52 (E) Apply to any transaction, action or act that qualifies for an exception set forth in section 42-110c of the general statutes;
- 54 (F) Apply to, or permit, any surcharge prohibited under section 42-55 133ff of the general statutes; or
- 56 (G) Apply to any transaction unless such transaction involves (i) a 57 person residing in this state, or (ii) the offer, sale, rental, lease or 58 distribution of any good or service in this state.
- (c) Any violation of subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section
 shall be deemed an unfair or deceptive trade practice under subsection
 (a) of section 42-110b of the general statutes.
- Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2026*) (a) For the purposes of this section:
- (1) "Connected device" means an Internet-connected device, including, but not limited to, a cellular telephone, computer, home appliance, motor vehicle, tablet, television, toy or video game console, that includes a camera or microphone;
- 68 (2) "Connected device manufacturer" means a person doing business 69 in this state who manufactures a connected device;
- (3) "Initial consumer" means an individual who is (A) a resident of this state, and (B) with respect to any connected device, the first individual to lease, purchase or assume ownership of such connected device;
- 74 (4) "Person" means an individual, association, corporation, limited 75 liability company, partnership, trust or other legal entity;
- 76 (5) "Personally identifying information" has the same meaning as 77 provided in section 42-284 of the general statutes;

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- (6) "Provider" means (A) a connected device manufacturer, and (B) any person who (i) enters into a contract with a connected device manufacturer, and (ii) receives access to (I) any camera or microphone included in a connected device manufactured by the connected device manufacturer, (II) any image or video collected, recorded, stored, analyzed, interpreted or transmitted by way of any camera included in any connected device manufactured by the connected device manufacturer, or (III) any spoken word or other sound collected, recorded, stored, analyzed, interpreted or transmitted by way of any microphone included in any connected device manufactured by the connected device manufacturer; and
- 89 (7) "Toy" means a product that a manufacturer designs, or intends to 90 be used, for amusement or play.
- 91 (b) No provider shall allow any person to activate any connected 92 device unless the provider:
 - (1) Prominently displays to the initial consumer or any person whom the initial consumer designates to first install or set up the connected device, at the time that such initial consumer or person first installs or sets up such connected device:
 - (A) A disclaimer in the following form:

- 98 "This device transmits audio and/or video back to the manufacturer 99 and/or a third party and which may be recorded."; and
 - (B) A statement disclosing (i) that such connected device includes a camera or microphone, (ii) that the camera or microphone included in such connected device will be enabled or turned on, (iii) that such connected device might record such initial consumer, (iv) that the connected device manufacturer of such connected device or another provider might retain recordings of such initial consumer, (v) which command or action will activate or enable operation of the camera or microphone included in such connected device, (vi) the categories of images, videos or sounds that (I) the camera or microphone included in

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109 such connected device will look for, listen for or record, or (II) might be 110 disclosed to any person other than such initial consumer, (vii) the 111 categories of persons described in subparagraph (B)(vi)(II) of this 112 subdivision, and (viii) that such initial consumer shall not be 113 discriminated against if such initial consumer or person declines to 114 activate a camera or microphone included in the connected device 115 unless (I) such connected device is provided to such initial consumer as 116 a condition of employment, or (II) declining to activate such camera or 117 microphone would render such connected device useless; and

(2) Provides to the initial consumer or any person whom the initial consumer designates to first install or set up the connected device, at the time that such initial consumer or person first installs or sets up such connected device, the ability to decline to activate a camera or microphone included in the connected device.

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- (c) Each provider shall implement and maintain reasonable security measures to protect any personally identifying information collected through a camera or microphone included in a connected device from any unauthorized access, acquisition, destruction, disclosure, modification or use thereof.
- (d) No provider shall use or sell any recording collected through operation of a camera or microphone included in a connected device for the purposes of targeted advertising, as defined in section 42-515 of the general statutes.
- (e) No person shall compel any provider to build specific features for the purpose of allowing a law enforcement agency or officer to monitor communications through a camera or microphone included in a connected device.
 - (f) Nothing in this section shall be construed to:
- 137 (1) Impose any liability on a provider for any functionality provided 138 by an application that an initial consumer (A) downloads and installs, 139 or (B) chooses to use on a network of remote servers hosted on the

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140 Internet to store, manage and process data;

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- 141 (2) Authorize disclosure of any recording retained by a provider to 142 another person, including, but not limited to, a law enforcement agency 143 or officer, unless such disclosure is authorized by other applicable law
- or pursuant to an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction; or
- (3) Modify, limit or supersede the operation of any other provision ofthe general statutes concerning privacy or security.
- (g) Any violation of subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of this section shall be deemed an unfair or deceptive trade practice under subsection (a) of section 42-110b of the general statutes.
- Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2026*) (a) For the purposes of this section, unless the context otherwise requires:
- (1) "Antenna" includes, but is not limited to, any resonant device that is designed especially for the purpose of capturing electromagnetic energy transmitted by direct satellite or commercial radio or television broadcasting facilities;
 - (2) "Authorized repair provider" (A) means a person who (i) is unaffiliated with a manufacturer, and (ii) has an arrangement with a manufacturer (I) under which the manufacturer grants to the person a license to use a trade name, service mark or other proprietary identifier to offer diagnostic, maintenance or repair services for electronic or appliance products under the manufacturer's name, or (II) to offer diagnostic, maintenance or repair services for electronic or appliance products on behalf of the manufacturer, and (B) includes a manufacturer, with respect to any of such manufacturer's electronic or appliance products, if the manufacturer (i) offers diagnostic, maintenance or repair services for such product, and (ii) does not have an arrangement with an unaffiliated person to diagnose, maintain or repair such product;
 - (3) "Documentation" means any electronic or appliance product

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diagram, manual, reporting output, schematic, service code description or similar information that a manufacturer provides to an authorized repair provider or, if the manufacturer does not have an authorized repair provider, the manufacturer uses for the purpose of diagnosing, maintaining or repairing an electronic or appliance product;

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- (4) "Electronic or appliance product" or "product" (A) means any antenna, electronic set, major home appliance or rotator (i) that is manufactured for the first time, and first sold or used in this state, on or after July 1, 2026, and (ii) for which the manufacturer makes documentation, parts and tools available to an authorized repair provider, (B) includes, but is not limited to, any item set forth in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision that is sold through any method other than a direct retail sale, and (C) does not include any (i) alarm system, as defined in section 29-6c of the general statutes, (ii) motor vehicle, as defined in section 13b-387 of the general statutes, or any component used to maintain, manufacture or repair any motor vehicle, or (iii) video game console;
- (5) "Electronic set" includes, but is not limited to, any audio or video recorder or playback equipment, computer system, facsimile machine, photocopier, radio, television, video camera or video monitor that is normally used or sold for personal, family, household or home office use;
- 192 (6) "Fair and reasonable terms" means terms that satisfy the 193 requirements established in subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of this 194 section;
- (7) "Manufacturer" means the person who manufactures an electronicor appliance product;
- 197 (8) "Major home appliance" includes, but is not limited to, any 198 dishwasher, dryer, freezer, microwave oven, range, refrigerator, room 199 air conditioner, trash compactor or washer that is normally used or sold 200 for personal, family, household or home office use;

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(9) "Part" means any replacement component or assembly of components, either new or used, that the manufacturer of an electronic or appliance product makes available to an authorized repair provider to facilitate the maintenance or repair of such product;

- (10) "Person" means an individual, association, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, trust or other legal entity;
 - (11) "Rotator" includes, but is not limited to, an electromechanical device, used in connection with an antenna installation or repair, that is operated from a remote location to rotate an antenna on a horizontal plane;
 - (12) "Service dealer" means any person who (A) is not an authorized repair provider or manufacturer, and (B) for compensation, engages in the business of, or holds such person out to the public as engaging in the business of, installing, maintaining, repairing or servicing any electronic or appliance product;
 - (13) "Tool" (A) means any hardware implement, software program or other apparatus that the manufacturer of an electronic or appliance product makes available to an authorized repair provider for the diagnosis, maintenance or repair of such product, and (B) includes, but is not limited to, (i) any software or other mechanism that provisions, programs, pairs a part, provides or calibrates functionality or performs any other function necessary to repair an electronic or appliance product, or a part thereof, and return such product or part to its fully functional condition, and (ii) any update to any software or mechanism described in subparagraph (B)(i) of this subdivision;
 - (14) "Trade secret" has the same meaning as provided in section 35-51 of the general statutes; and
 - (15) "Video game console" (A) means any computing device, including, but not limited to, any console machine, handheld console device or similar device or system, that is primarily used by consumers to play video games, (B) includes, but is not limited to, the components

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- and peripherals of any computing device described in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, and (C) does not include any (i) general or all-purpose computing device, (ii) desktop, laptop or tablet computer, or (iii) hand-held mobile telephone, as defined in section 14-296aa of the
- 235 (iii) hand-held mobile telephone, as defined in section 14-296aa of the general statutes.

- (b) (1) The manufacturer of an electronic or appliance product shall make available, on fair and reasonable terms, to the owners of such product, service and repair facilities and service dealers documentation and functional parts and tools, inclusive of any updates thereto, that are sufficient to affect the diagnosis, maintenance or repair of such product:
- (A) For at least three years after the last date on which such manufacturer manufactured an electronic or appliance product of the same model or type if such product has a wholesale price to a retailer, or to any other person in any sale other than a direct retail sale, of at least fifty dollars but less than one hundred dollars, which wholesale price shall not exceed the manufacturer's suggested retail price for such electronic or appliance product; or
 - (B) For at least five years after the last date on which such manufacturer manufactured an electronic or appliance product of the same model or type if such product has a wholesale price to a retailer, or to any person in any sale other than a direct retail sale, of at least one hundred dollars, which wholesale price shall not exceed the manufacturer's suggested retail price for such electronic or appliance product.
 - (2) The time periods set forth in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall apply regardless of whether such time periods exceed the term of any warranty period for the electronic or appliance product.
 - (3) (A) For the purposes of subdivision (1) of this subsection and except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, the manufacturer of an electronic or appliance product shall be deemed to have made documentation, functional parts and tools available on fair

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and reasonable terms if:

- (i) Such manufacturer makes such documentation, parts and tools available at costs and on terms that are equivalent to the most favorable costs and terms under which such manufacturer offers such documentation, parts and tools to authorized repair providers, accounting for any discount, rebate, convenient and timely means of delivery, means of enabling fully restored and updated functionality, rights of use or other incentive or preference such manufacturer offers to authorized repair providers;
- (ii) For documentation, such manufacturer makes such documentation, including any relevant updates thereto, available at no charge, except such manufacturer may impose a charge for the reasonable actual costs incurred by such manufacturer in preparing and sending a physical printed version of such documentation to an owner, service and repair facility or service dealer if the owner, service and repair facility or service dealer requests a physical printed version of such documentation; and
- (iii) For tools, such manufacturer makes such tools available at no charge and without imposing any impediment to access or use such tools to diagnose, maintain or repair and enable full functionality of such product, or in a manner that does not impair the efficient and cost-effective performance of any such diagnosis, maintenance or repair, except such manufacturer may impose a charge for the reasonable actual costs incurred by such manufacturer in preparing and sending such tools to an owner, service and repair facility or service dealer in physical form if the owner, service and repair facility or service dealer requests such tools in physical form.
- (B) If a manufacturer does not use an authorized repair provider, the manufacturer of an electronic or appliance product shall be deemed to have made documentation, functional parts and tools available on fair and reasonable terms if such manufacturer makes such documentation, parts and tools available at a price that reflects the actual costs incurred

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- by such manufacturer in preparing and delivering such documentation,parts and tools, excluding any research and development costs.
- (c) If a service dealer or service and repair facility is not an authorized repair provider for an electronic or appliance product, the service dealer or service and repair facility shall, before repairing any such product, provide to the customer who requests such repair a written notice disclosing:
- 303 (1) That such service dealer or service and repair facility is not an 304 authorized repair provider for such product; and
- (2) Whether such service dealer or service and repair facility uses any
 (A) used replacement parts, or (B) replacement parts provided by a
 supplier other than the manufacturer of such product.
- (d) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, no manufacturer or authorized repair provider shall be liable for any damage or injury caused to any electronic or appliance product, person or property that occurs as a result of any diagnosis, maintenance, modification or repair performed by an owner or a service dealer, including, but not limited to:
- 314 (A) Any indirect, incidental, special or consequential damages;
- 315 (B) Any loss of data, privacy or profits; or
- 316 (C) Any inability to use, or reduced functionality of, such product.
- 317 (2) The provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall not apply 318 to any design defect or manufacturing flaw that existed prior to, or 319 independent of, any diagnosis, maintenance, modification or repair 320 described in said subdivision.
- 321 (e) No provision of this section shall be construed to:
- 322 (1) Require the manufacturer of an electronic or appliance product to 323 (A) disclose any trade secret, or license any intellectual property,

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324 including, but not limited to, any copyright or patent, unless such 325 disclosure or license is necessary for such manufacturer to comply with 326 the provisions of this section, (B) make available any special 327 documentation, tools or parts that would disable or override antitheft 328 security measures set by the owner of any such product without such 329 owner's authorization, or (C) sell any part if such manufacturer no 330 longer (i) provides such part, or (ii) makes such part available to 331 authorized repair providers;

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- (2) Require any manufacturer of an electronic or appliance product that is an authorized repair provider within the meaning of subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section to make available any documentation or tools that (A) such manufacturer exclusively uses to perform, at no cost to customers, remote diagnostic services, including, but not limited to, remote diagnostic services performed by way of the Internet, electronic mail or any chat function or telephonic means, that do not require such manufacturer to physically handle a customer's electronic or appliance product, unless such manufacturer also makes such documentation or tools available to any person who is unaffiliated with such manufacturer, or (B) are exclusively used by machines that simultaneously repair several electronic or appliance products, provided such manufacturer makes available to the owners of such product, service and repair facilities and service dealers sufficient alternative documentation and tools to diagnose, maintain or repair such product;
- (3) Require distribution of the source code for an electronic or appliance product; or
- (4) Apply to (A) the manufacturer of an electronic or appliance product if such manufacturer provides to a customer, at no charge to the customer, a replacement electronic or appliance product that is readily available and equivalent to, or better than, the replaced electronic or appliance product, (B) any dealer, distributor, importer or manufacturer of any equipment designed and manufactured exclusively for off-road or nonroad use, including, but not limited to, any (i) all-terrain sports

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- 357 vehicle, (ii) construction or compact construction equipment, (iii) 358 electric vehicle charging infrastructure equipment, (iv) farm or utility 359 tractor, (v) farm implement, (vi) farm machinery, (vii) forestry equipment, (viii) fuel cell, (ix) garden, turf or yard equipment, (x) 360 361 generator set, (xi) industrial equipment, (xii) integrated, stand-alone, 362 mobile or stationary internal combustion engine, (xiii) marine vehicle, 363 (xiv) mining equipment, (xv) outdoor power equipment, (xvi) portable 364 generator, (xvii) power tool, (xviii) racing vehicle, (xix) recreational 365 vehicle, as defined in section 14-1 of the general statutes, (xx) road 366 building equipment, or (xxi) utility equipment, or (C) any accessory, 367 attachment, component, repair part, technology or tool for any 368 equipment described in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision.
- (f) A violation of subsections (b) to (e), inclusive, of this section shall be deemed an unfair trade practice under subsection (a) of section 42-110b of the general statutes and shall be enforced solely by the Attorney General. The provisions of section 42-110g of the general statutes shall not apply to any such violation.
 - Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of any municipal charter, special act or home rule ordinance, not later than July 1, 2027, each municipality shall (1) register a ".gov" Internet top-level domain for such municipality with the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency within the United States Department of Homeland Security, and (2) redirect any existing Internet web site addresses maintained by such municipality to such domain or discontinue the use of such addresses. On and after July 1, 2027, each municipality shall maintain an Internet web site with a ".gov" Internet top-level domain. For the purposes of this section, "municipality" has the same meaning as provided in section 7-479a of the general statutes.
- Sec. 5. Section 42-230 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):
- 387 (a) As used in this section:

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388 (1) "Abnormal economic disruption" means a significant disruption

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- in the production, supply, distribution, wholesale, sale or availability of a consumer necessity that (A) is caused by a natural or man-made disaster or emergency, regardless of the location of such disaster or emergency, and (B) causes ordinary competitive market forces to cease functioning normally;
- 394 (2) "Consumer necessity" (A) means an item purchased by or on 395 behalf of a state agency, as defined in section 1-79, for the purpose of 396 ensuring the public health or safety of the residents of this state, (B) 397 includes, but is not limited to, food, diapers, baby formula, pharmaceutical products and prescription drugs, and (C) does not 398 399 include any item that is subject to a continuous maximum price 400 requirement established in any applicable federal or state law or 401 regulation;
- 402 (3) "Precipitating event" means (A) a civil preparedness emergency
 403 declaration issued by the Governor pursuant to chapter 517, (B) a
 404 transportation emergency declaration issued by the Governor pursuant
 405 to section 3-6b, (C) an abnormal economic disruption notice issued by
 406 the Attorney General pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, or (D) a
 407 major disaster or emergency declaration issued by the President of the
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- (4) "Unconscionably excessive price" means an increased price at which a vendor leases, rents or sells an item during a precipitating event if (A) the increased price is grossly disproportionate to the price at which the vendor leased, rented or sold such item (i) immediately before the precipitating event, or (ii) while the precipitating event was reasonably anticipated, and (B) the increased price is not attributable to additional costs incurred by the vendor in leasing, renting or selling the item during the precipitating event; and
- (5) "Vendor" means a person, corporation or firm, including, but not limited to, a distributor, manufacturer, retailer, supplier or wholesaler.
- (b) (1) If the Attorney General determines that an abnormal economic
 disruption exists or is substantially likely to be imminent, the Attorney

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- 421 General may issue a notice for such existing or imminent abnormal
- 422 <u>economic disruption</u>. The Attorney General shall make such
- 423 <u>determination (A) following a reasonable investigation and consultation</u>
- 424 with the Commissioner of Consumer Protection and the Commissioner
- 425 of Economic and Community Development, and (B) with due
- 426 <u>consideration for whether issuing such notice will disrupt the supply of</u>
- 427 consumer necessities.
- 428 (2) (A) A notice of an existing or imminent abnormal economic
- disruption issued by the Attorney General pursuant to subdivision (1)
- 430 of this subsection shall:
- 431 (i) Specify (I) the date on which the Attorney General issued such
- 432 notice, (II) the anticipated end date of the period for which the Attorney
- 433 General issued such notice, (III) the conditions that have caused, or are
- substantially likely to have caused, such abnormal economic disruption,
- 435 (IV) the consumer necessity, consumer necessities or categories of
- 436 consumer necessities affected by such abnormal economic disruption
- and therefore subject to the provisions of this section, and (V) the levels
- 438 of trade or commerce affected by such abnormal economic disruption
- and therefore subject to the provisions of this section, which levels may
- include, but need not be limited to, production, supply, distribution,
- 441 wholesale, sale or availability;
- 442 (ii) Be posted by the Attorney General on the home page of the
- 443 Internet web site of the office of the Attorney General;
- 444 (iii) Be filed by the Attorney General (I) with the Secretary of the State,
- in a form and manner prescribed by the Secretary of the State, and (II)
- 446 in writing with the joint legislative committee described in
- subparagraph (B)(i) of this subdivision; and
- 448 (iv) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision or
- subdivision (3) of this subsection, expire sixty days after the Attorney
- 450 General issued such notice or on an earlier date specified by the
- 451 Attorney General in such notice, whichever occurs first.

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452	(B) (i) A notice of an existing or imminent abnormal economic		
453	disruption issued by the Attorney General pursuant to subdivision (1)		
454	of this subsection may be disapproved by a majority vote of a joint		
455	legislative committee consisting of the president pro tempore of the		
456	Senate, the speaker of the House of Representatives and the majority		
457	and minority leaders of both houses of the General Assembly, provided		
458	(I) at least one of the minority leaders votes for disapproval, and (II)		
459	notice of such disapproval is filed with the Secretary of the State, in a		
460	form and manner prescribed by the Secretary of the State, not later than		
461	seventy-two hours after the joint legislative committee receives written		
462	notice from the Attorney General pursuant to subparagraph (A)(iii)(II)		
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464	(ii) Any disapproval under subparagraph (B)(i) of this subdivision		
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466	Secretary of the State, in a form and manner prescribed by the Secretary		
467	of the State.		
468	(3) (A) The Attorney General may, at any time, modify a notice of an		
469	existing or imminent abnormal economic disruption issued pursuant to		
470	subdivision (1) of this subsection, or extend the term of any such notice		
471	for one or more additional sixty-day periods, provided the Attorney		
472	General issues a notice that:		
473	(i) Specifies (I) the information required under subparagraph (A)(i)		
474	of subdivision (2) of this subsection, and (II) the grounds for such		
475	modification or extension;		
476	(ii) Is posted by the Attorney General on the home page of the		
477	Internet web site of the office of the Attorney General; and		
478	(iii) Is filed by the Attorney General (I) with the Secretary of the State,		
479	in a form and manner prescribed by the Secretary of the State, and (II)		
480	in writing with the joint legislative committee described in		
481	subparagraph (B)(i) of subdivision (2) of this subsection.		

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(B) (i) A modification or extension notice issued by the Attorney

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General pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this subdivision may be 483 484 disapproved by a majority vote of the joint legislative committee described in subparagraph (B)(i) of subdivision (2) of this subsection, 485 486 provided (I) at least one of the minority leaders votes for disapproval, 487 and (II) notice of such disapproval is filed with the Secretary of the State, 488 in a form and manner prescribed by the Secretary of the State, not later 489 than seventy-two hours after the joint legislative committee receives written notice from the Attorney General pursuant to subparagraph 490 491 (A)(iii)(II) of this subdivision.

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- (ii) Any disapproval under subparagraph (B)(i) of this subdivision shall become effective when notice of such disapproval is filed with the Secretary of the State, in a form and manner prescribed by the Secretary of the State.
- (c) No [person, firm or corporation shall increase the price of any item which such person, firm or corporation sells or offers for sale at retail] vendor shall lease, rent or sell, or offer to lease, rent or sell, any item in the chain of distribution at an unconscionably excessive price at any location in an area which is the subject of any [disaster emergency declaration issued by the Governor pursuant to chapter 517, any transportation emergency declaration issued by the Governor pursuant to section 3-6b or any major disaster or emergency declaration issued by the President of the United States, until the period of emergency or disaster is declared by the Governor or the President] precipitating event until the Governor, the Attorney General or the President, as applicable, declares such precipitating event to be at an end. [Nothing in this section shall prohibit the fluctuation in the price of items sold at retail which occurs during the normal course of business. Any person, firm or corporation which violates any provision of this section shall be fined not more than ninety-nine dollars.]
 - (d) Any violation of the provisions of this section shall be deemed an unfair or deceptive trade practice under subsection (a) of section 42-110b. The Attorney General shall have (1) exclusive authority to enforce the provisions of this section on behalf of the state, and (2) for the

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- 516 purposes of this section, the authority to (A) order an investigation or
- 517 examination pursuant to section 42-110d, or (B) take such other
- enforcement action under sections 42-110e to 42-110q, inclusive, as the 518
- 519 Attorney General deems necessary.
- 520 Sec. 6. Subsection (b) of section 51-164n of the general statutes is
- 521 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1,
- 522 2025):

- 523 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any person
- 524 who is alleged to have committed (1) a violation under the provisions of
- 525 section 1-9, 1-10, 1-11, 2-71h, 4b-13, 7-13, 7-14, 7-35 or 7-41, subsection (c)
- 526 of section 7-66, section 7-83, 7-147h, 7-148, 7-283, 7-325, 7-393, 8-12, 8-25,
- 527 8-27, 9-63, 9-322, 9-350, 10-185, 10-193, 10-197, 10-198, 10-230, 10-251, 10-
- 528 254, 10a-35, 12-52, 12-54, 12-129b or 12-170aa, subdivision (3) of
- 529 subsection (e) of section 12-286, section 12-286a, 12-292, 12-314b or 12-
- 530 326g, subdivision (4) of section 12-408, subdivision (3), (5) or (6) of
- 531 section 12-411, section 12-435c, 12-476a, 12-476b, 12-476c, 12-487,13a-
- 532 26b, 13a-71, 13a-107, 13a-113, 13a-114, 13a-115, 13a-117b, 13a-123, 13a-
- 533 124, 13a-139, 13a-140, 13a-143b, 13a-253, 13a-263 or 13b-39f, subsection
- 534 (f) of section 13b-42, section 13b-90 or 13b-100, subsection (a) of section
- 535 13b-108, section 13b-221 or 13b-292, subsection (a) or (b) of section 13b-
- 536 324, section 13b-336, 13b-337, 13b-338, 13b-410a, 13b-410b or 13b-410c,
- 537 subsection (a), (b) or (c) of section 13b-412, section 13b-414 or 14-4,
- 538 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 14-12, subsection (d) of
- 539 section 14-12, subsection (f) of section 14-12a, subsection (a) of section
- 540 14-15a, section 14-16c, 14-20a or 14-27a, subsection (f) of section 14-34a,
- 541 subsection (d) of section 14-35, section 14-43, 14-44j, 14-49, 14-50a, 14-58
- 542 or 14-62a, subsection (b) of section 14-66, section 14-66a or 14-67a,
- 543 subsection (g) of section 14-80, subsection (f) or (i) of section 14-80h,
- 544 section 14-97a or 14-98, subsection (a), (b) or (d) of section 14-100a,
- 545 section 14-100b, 14-103a, 14-106a, 14-106c, 14-145a, 14-146, 14-152, 14-
- 153, 14-161 or 14-163b, subsection (f) of section 14-164i, section 14-213b
- 547 or 14-219, subdivision (1) of section 14-223a, subsection (d) of section 14-
- 548 224, section 14-240, 14-250, 14-253a, 14-261a, 14-262, 14-264, 14-266, 14-
- 549 267a, 14-269, 14-270, 14-272b, 14-274, 14-275 or 14-275a, subsection (c) of

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585 (d) of section 22-344d, section 22-344f, 22-350a, 22-354, 22-359, 22-366, 586 22-391, 22-413, 22-414, 22-415, 22-415c, 22a-66a or 22a-246, subsection (a) 587 of section 22a-250, section 22a-256g, subsection (e) of section 22a-256h, section 22a-363 or 22a-381d, subsections (c) and (d) of section 22a-381e, 588 589 section 22a-449, 22a-450, 22a-461, 23-4b, 23-38, 23-45, 23-46 or 23-61b, 590 subsection (a) or subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 23-65, section 591 25-37 or 25-40, subsection (a) of section 25-43, section 25-43d, 25-135, 26-18, 26-19, 26-21, 26-31, 26-40, 26-40a, 26-42, 26-43, 26-49, 26-54, 26-55, 26-592 56, 26-58 or 26-59, subdivision (1) of subsection (d) of section 26-61, 593 594 section 26-64, subdivision (1) of section 26-76, section 26-79, 26-87, 26-89, 595 26-91, 26-94, 26-97, 26-98, 26-104, 26-105, 26-107, 26-114a, 26-117, 596 subsection (b) of section 26-127, 26-128, 26-128a, 26-131, 26-132, 26-138, 597 26-139 or 26-141, subdivision (1) of section 26-186, section 26-207, 26-215, 26-217 or 26-224a, subdivision (1) of section 26-226, section 26-227, 26-598 599 230, 26-231, 26-232, 26-244, 26-257a, 26-260, 26-276, 26-280, 26-284, 26-285, 26-286, 26-287, 26-288, 26-290, 26-291a, 26-292, 26-294, 27-107, 28-13, 600 601 29-6a, 29-16, 29-17, 29-25, 29-1430, 29-143z or 29-156a, subsection (b), (d), 602 (e), (g) or (h) of section 29-161q, section 29-161y or 29-161z, subdivision 603 (1) of section 29-198, section 29-210, 29-243 or 29-277, subsection (c) of 604 section 29-291c, section 29-316 or 29-318, subsection (b) of section 29-605 335a, section 29-381, 30-19f, 30-48a or 30-86a, subsection (b) of section 30-89, subsection (c) or (d) of section 30-117, section 31-3, 31-10, 31-11, 606 607 31-12, 31-13, 31-14, 31-15, 31-16, 31-18, 31-23, 31-24, 31-25, 31-32, 31-36, 608 31-47 or 31-48, subsection (b) of section 31-48b, section 31-51, 31-51g, 31-52, 31-52a, 31-53 or 31-54, subsection (a) or (c) of section 31-69, section 609 610 31-70, 31-74, 31-75, 31-76, 31-76a, 31-89b or 31-134, subsection (i) of 611 section 31-273, section 31-288, 31-348, 33-624, 33-1017, 34-13d or 34-412, 612 subdivision (1) of section 35-20, subsection (a) of section 36a-57, 613 subsection (b) of section 36a-665, section 36a-699, 36a-739, 36a-787, 38a-614 2 or 38a-140, subsection (a) or (b) of section 38a-278, section 38a-479qq, 615 38a-479rr, 38a-506, 38a-548, 38a-626, 38a-680, 38a-713, 38a-733, 38a-764, 616 38a-786, 38a-828, 38a-829, 38a-885, 42-133hh, [42-230,] 42-470 or 42-480, 617 subsection (a) or (c) of section 43-16q, section 45a-283, 45a-450, 45a-634 618 or 45a-658, subdivision (13) or (14) of section 46a-54, section 46a-59, 46a-619 81b, 46b-22, 46b-24, 46b-34, 46b-38d, 47-34a, 47-47 or 47-53, subsection

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620 (i) of section 47a-21, subdivision (1) of subsection (k) of section 47a-21, 621 section 49-2a, 49-8a, 49-16, 52-143 or 52-289, subsection (j) of section 52-622 362, section 53-133, 53-199, 53-212a, 53-249a, 53-252, 53-264, 53-280, 53-623 290a, 53-302a, 53-303e, 53-311a, 53-314, 53-321, 53-322, 53-323 or 53-331, 624 subsection (b) of section 53-343a, section 53-344, subsection (b) or (c) of 625 section 53-344b, subsection (b) of section 53-345a, section 53-377, 53-422 626 or 53-450 or subsection (i) of section 54-36a, or (2) a violation under the 627 provisions of chapter 268, or (3) a violation of any regulation adopted in 628 accordance with the provisions of section 12-484, 12-487 or 13b-410, or 629 (4) a violation of any ordinance, regulation or bylaw of any town, city or 630 borough, except violations of building codes and the health code, for 631 which the penalty exceeds ninety dollars but does not exceed two 632 hundred fifty dollars, unless such town, city or borough has established 633 a payment and hearing procedure for such violation pursuant to section 634 7-152c, shall follow the procedures set forth in this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:			
Section 1	July 1, 2026	New section	
Sec. 2	July 1, 2026	New section	
Sec. 3	July 1, 2026	New section	
Sec. 4	from passage	New section	
Sec. 5	July 1, 2025	42-230	
Sec. 6	July 1, 2025	51-164n(b)	

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