

An Act relating to technology; creating the Computer Spyware Protection Act; stating legislative intent; providing definitions; making certain actions with computer software unlawful; making it unlawful for certain persons to take certain action with regard to computers; exempting certain actions of certain providers or operators from the act; allowing the Attorney General, Internet service providers, or software companies to bring a civil action for violations of the act; providing for damages; allowing the court to increase damages or reduce liquidated damages in certain circumstances; allowing certain carriers or providers to bring a civil action for certain violations of the act; providing for recovery of certain costs; providing for multiple violations; limiting liability protection in actions against competitors where defendant fails to prove certain facts; placing burden of proof on plaintiff in certain cases; limiting liability of certain providers of computer software for certain actions; providing for codification; providing for noncodification; and providing an effective date.