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## **TELEMARKETERS ATTACK WISCONSIN'S DO NOT CALL LIST**

*Rep. Van Roy calls on constituents to fight back*

Madison – Once again, Wisconsin's Do Not Call List is under attack by telemarketers who want to invade the privacy of your home. State Rep. Karl Van Roy (R-Howard) is calling on his constituents to contact the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to tell them not to weaken Wisconsin's consumer protection statutes.

"Obnoxious and sometimes downright predatory telemarketers are back at it, doing everything in their power to ruin dinnertime for thousands of Wisconsin families," said Van Roy. "Let's make it clear to the FCC that we don't want strangers trying to sell us something over the phone at all hours of the night."

A coalition of telemarketers recently petitioned the FCC to rule that states have no authority to regulate interstate telemarketing. If their petition is successful, Wisconsin's Do Not Call List will be preempted by the much weaker federal list and many businesses, including banks, long distance telephone providers, and credit card companies will return to their old ways of calling Wisconsinites at all hours, day after day.

"The federal list is full of loopholes for telemarketers," said Van Roy. "Under their list, if you've ever bought anything or been a customer of a company or any of its affiliates, then they have the right to call you up anytime they want."

Rep. Van Roy says that Wisconsin's Do Not Call List is much tougher on telemarketers than the federal law. He is calling for his constituents in Howard and Suamico who have signed up for the Do Not Call List, to contact the FCC in support of Wisconsin's tougher law.

Those interested in standing up for Wisconsin and against telemarketers should send a letter to:

- No Call List, Dept. of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, PO Box 8911, Madison, WI 53708
- Or
- Contact the FCC directly by visiting their website at: <http://www.fcc.gov/contacts.html>

If you have not yet signed up for Wisconsin's Do Not Call List and would like to join the majority of Wisconsinites who have, call 1-866-9NO-CALL (1-866-966-2255) toll-free in Wisconsin.

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