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NEW CRACKDOWN ON ROBOCALLS ANNOUNCED BY FTC

Tennessee participates in "Operation Call it Quits"

Nashville, TN- The Tennessee Attorney General's Office is participating in today's "Operation Call it Quits," a nationwide effort by the Federal Trade Commission and its law enforcement partners to stem the tide of universally loathed illegal robocalls.

"Operation Call it Quits" includes four new cases and three new settlements from the FTC alone. Collectively, the defendants in these cases were responsible for making more than a billion illegal robocalls to consumers nationwide. Today's announcement brings the number of cases the FTC has brought against illegal robocallers and Do Not Call violators to 145. https://www.ftc.gov/news-events/press-releases/2019/06/ftc-law-enforcement-partnersannounce-new-crackdown-illegal

In addition, Tennessee Attorney General Herbert H. Slatery III continues to promote the development of technology-based solutions to block robocalls and combat caller ID spoofing.

"In Tennessee we are serious about ending illegal robocalls and spoofing, said Attorney General Slatery. "While this office continues to work toward a solution, we also want Tennesseans to know how to protect themselves from scams often associated with these types of frequent, unsolicited calls."

More than 48 billion robocalls were made in 2018, making them the number one source of consumer complaints to the FTC and the FCC and resulting in millions in consumer losses. The state attorneys general work to enforce Do Not Call laws and protect consumers in their states from being harassed and scammed by robocalls.

Click here to learn how to stop unwanted calls: https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/features/how-stopunwanted-calls?utm_source=sweep-partner&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=unwantedcalls

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