

Joint Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure

2025-2026 (194th) Bill Summary

BILL NUMBER: H438

TITLE: An Act relative to telemarketer disclosures

SPONSOR(S): McMurtry, Paul

HEARING DATE: April 14, 2025

REPORTING DEADLINE: June 13, 2025

PRIOR HISTORY

(2021-2022): H4137 – Bill reported favorably by Committee and referred to House Steering, Policy and Scheduling; Ordered to a third reading.

(2023-2024): H368 – Bill reported favorably by Committee and referred to House Steering, Policy and Scheduling; Ordered to a third reading.

CURRENT LAW

Section 23 of chapter 68 of the General Laws governs the disclosures of professional solicitors and commercial co-venturers that must be made at the time of solicitation, such as: information on the charitable organization and how the funds would be used for a charitable purpose.

SUMMARY

This legislation seeks to require that professional solicitors or commercial co-ventureres also disclose at the time of solicitation, the percentage share of a contribution raised that will be received by the charitable organization.