

BUSINESS

Bills would ban expiration date for Do Not Call list

By Jennifer C. Kerr
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Congress took the first steps Tuesday to ensure that people who registered for the national Do Not Call list won't be inundated next year with telemarketing calls at dinnertime.

At separate House and Senate committee sessions, lawmakers passed legislation that makes most of the 145 million phone numbers on the list permanent by eliminating a five-year expiration date established by the Federal Trade Commission, which administers the program.

The Associated Press reported last month that millions of phone numbers on the registry would start dropping off beginning next summer unless people re-registered.

Reversing course, the FTC announced last week that it would not purge expired numbers while Congress considers making the phone listings permanent.

A measure sponsored by Rep. Mike Doyle, D-Pa., cleared the House Energy and Commerce Committee on Tuesday and will be sent to the full House for a vote.

Doyle said his legislation would give millions of Americans "a little

much-needed peace and quiet."

The House committee also approved a bill, sponsored by Rep. Cliff Stearns, R-Fla., that extends the authority of the FTC to collect fees from telemarketers. That authority expired last month.

In the Senate, a measure similar to the Doyle bill cleared the Commerce Committee. Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., who sponsored the bill, said it would prevent phones from starting to ring again at supper time. The bill heads to the full Senate for a vote.

Last month, the FTC had said the expiration date was needed to account for changes, such as people who

move and switch their phone numbers. Critics complained, pointing out that the list is already scrubbed each month of numbers that have been disconnected and reassigned to new customers. Doyle's bill would require purges by the FTC twice a month.

David Certner, legal policy director at AARP, says many people don't know about the need to re-register every five years. So the legislation, he says, is important.

Linda Stevenson of West Chester, Pa. placed her phone numbers on the Do Not Call list in the early days of the program. She thinks the legislation is a good idea.

"When someone comes to your door, they knock on your door. They just don't come in and sell to you automatically," Stevenson said. "It's nice that it is assumed the number is permanent and then you opt out."

The Senate and House bills would end the five-year expirations, but people who want to remove their numbers from the Do Not Call list would still be permitted to do so.

The registry prohibits telemarketers from calling phone numbers on the list. Companies face fines of up to \$11,000 for each violation. Organizations engaged in charitable, political or survey work are exempt.

Flamingos galore

Mary Jo Moriarty, owner of KMS Party Shop (left) and Cathie Smith, owner of Flamingo Surprise, have come together to offer a unique surprise for area residents. Contact KMS Party Shop on Fourth Street in Peru at (815) 223-4775 to arrange to have a few flamingos to dozens of pink plastic flamingos scattered around the yard for a birthday, anniversary or just for a harmless joke. The birds, which are rented by the day, are delivered over night to surprise the recipients in the morning and collected the next night. Try filling someone's yard with 50 pink flamingo's for their 50th birthday. See Flamingo Surprise along with 35 other vendors Saturday, Nov. 3 at the United Way Vendor's Fair at the United Way office at First and Sterling streets in La Salle.

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Business in Brief

PMH adds physician to staff

Dr. Jennifer Taylor, family practice physician, has joined Perry Memorial Hospital and Princeton Family Physicians, S.C. She will begin seeing patients on Monday, Nov. 5 in Suite 303 at Perry.

Taylor received her medical degree from the University Of Illinois College Of Medicine in Urbana and completed a residency in family medicine with training in obstetrics and gynecology at University Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio.

She specializes in the care of patients for all ages and has a strong interest in women's health, obstetrical and outpatient gynecologic procedures.

Appointments can be made by calling (815) 875-4531. Her office hours are 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.



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WLPO radio test picked up far and wide

By Jeff Dankert
NewsTribune Reporter

A strong half-hour radio test signal sent out early Saturday from WLPO 1220 AM in Oglesby reached listeners as far away as Florida, Canada, Oregon and Massachusetts.

The station broadcast a stronger signal 3-3:30 a.m. Saturday so faraway members of radio clubs could try to pick it up, part of their competitive hobby.

"Reports are still coming in, but it is truly amazing that WLPO's signal was heard coast to coast and from Canada to Florida," said Jim Pogue of Memphis, Tenn., member of International

Radio Club of America and National Radio Club.

Of feedback received from distant listeners, the farthest listener who heard the broadcast was Patrick Martin in Seaside, Ore., Pogue reported.

Steve Vogler, WLPO chief engineer, said he has received recordings from hobbyists to verify they heard it.

"The signals were very weak. What stood out most were the sweet tones that go up in pitch," he said.

The broadcast consisted of pure tones, voice IDs, Morse code, March music, and odd musical numbers supplied by the International Radio Club. This is commonly done so hobbyists, who enjoy receiving and hearing distant sta-

tions on their dial, can pick the signal out of the static.

Vogler in turn will send each listener who responded a postcard verifying they indeed heard WLPO.

"They collect the cards," he said.

The test was at night because AM signals travel farther and stronger without interference from the sun.

"I hope we can arrange another test from WLPO — perhaps in February or March — for those who missed this one," Pogue said.

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Test signal results

Locations (and miles away) of distant listeners who reported receiving the 1,000-watt nighttime WLPO test signal Saturday morning

- Seaside, Ore. (1,760)
- Victoria, British Columbia (1,738)
- Austin, Texas (902)
- Springfield, Mass. (856)
- Niceville, Fla. (759)
- Ottawa, Ontario (731)
- Hampton Cove, Ala. (598)
- State College, Pa. (588)
- Tulsa, Okla. (515)
- Burlington, Ontario, Canada (493)
- Little Rock, Ark. (490)
- Alcoa, Tenn. (472)
- Springfield, Mo. (364)
- St. Louis, Mo. (196)

THE MARKET IN REVIEW

STOCK EXCHANGE HIGHLIGHTS

NYSE 10,164.97 -91.25	AMEX 2,488.78 -26.02	NASDAQ 2,816.71 -7.73
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MOST ACTIVE (\$1 OR MORE)		
Name	Vol (00)	Last Chg
QwestCm	1238171	7.06 -1.12
EMC Cp	442836	25.12 -2.25
Citigrp	372600	42.11 -5.58
MicronT	312349	10.35 +3.36
Pfizer	298077	24.45 -0.06
Wellcare	286498	22.04 +6.58
WorldM	263131	8.80 +0.03
CntwdFnd	262526	15.94 -0.89
GenElec	254501	40.48 -0.08
ProctGam	249065	68.95 -2.88

GAINERS (\$2 OR MORE)		
Name	Last	Chg %Chg
BradPhrm	19.66	+3.66 +22.9
MonacoC	14.89	+1.90 +14.6
CNA Secur	20.44	+2.16 +11.8
LaPac	17.03	+1.70 +11.1
Invacare	26.92	+2.38 +9.7
AGCO	58.62	+4.81 +8.9
UndrArm	63.71	+4.48 +8.5
Saks	21.44	+1.65 +8.3
AmOrBio	13.79	+0.98 +7.7
HovnanE	12.27	+0.88 +7.7

LOSERS (\$2 OR MORE)		
Name	Last	Chg %Chg
Wellcare	22.04	-6.58 -23.0
ExcelM	63.91	-16.00 -20.0
Navios wt	11.32	-2.37 -17.4
PitneyBw	39.93	-7.06 -15.0
GenCoShp	67.05	-10.89 -14.0
FrdgCCT	36.47	-5.78 -13.7
QwestCm	7.06	-1.12 -13.7
BkNYIT	15.57	-2.37 -13.2
Navios	16.31	-2.47 -13.2
ComPds	42.05	-6.24 -12.9

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52-Week									
High	Low	Name	Last	Chg	%Chg	YTD	12-mo		
14,198.10 11,939.61 Dow Industrials 13,792.47 -77.79 -.56 +10.67 +14.17									

MUTUAL FUNDS									
Name	Total Assets	NAV	Total Return/Rank	Pct Load	Min Init				
	Obj	(\$Mlns)	4-wk	12-mo	5-year				
American Funds CapIncBuA m	IH	80,157	68.06	+2.4	+20.0B	+16.7B	5.75	250	
American Funds CplWldGrIA m	WS	80,685	49.87	+3.4	+28.5B	+24.2A	5.75	250	
American Funds EurPacGrA m	FB	63,515	57.20	+4.6	+30.9A	+24.3A	5.75	250	
American Funds GrowAmerA m	LG	94,406	37.92	+1.1	+18.5C	+16.5A	5.75	250	
American Funds IncAmerA m	MA	68,824	21.34	+0.7	+12.2C	+14.6A	5.75	250	
American Funds InvCoAmA m	LV	71,309	36.34	+0.7	+12.9B	+14.0C	5.75	250	
American Funds WAMutInvA m	LV	71,170	37.45	-0.6	+12.6B	+13.3D	5.75	250	
Dodge & Cox Stock	LV	69,386	157.73	-0.5	+8.2D	+17.4A	NL	2,500	
Fidelity Contra	LG	78,354	78.13	+3.6	+24.6B	+17.7A	NL	2,500	
Fidelity Divrlnt	FG	55,984	44.79	+4.0	+29.1C	+25.1A	NL	2,500	
Fidelity Magellan	LG	45,351	102.62	+3.7	+23.5B	+12.6C	NL	2,500	
FrankTemp-Mutual Discov Z	WS	4,709	34.54	+1.3	+20.0C	+20.8B	NL	1,000	
Janus Janus	LG	12,615	33.27	+2.2	+21.7B	+12.3C	NL	2,500	
Lord Abbett AffiliatA m	LV	16,642	16.33	+0.2	+11.5B	+14.4C	5.75	250	
MFS MAInvA m	LB	3,606	22.97	+0.9	+15.4B	+12.8C	5.75	1,000	
Old Mutual SelGrZ	LG	134	32.49	+2.8	+32.9A	+14.1B	NL	2,500	
Oppenheimer GlobA	WS	13,947	81.77	+0.3	+17.6D	+20.3B	5.75	1,000	
Oppenheimer StrIncA m	MU	6,425	4.46	+1.6	+11.4A	+10.8A	4.75	1,000	
PIMCO TotRetls	CI	65,230	10.61	+1.6	+7.5A	+5.4A	NL	5,000,000	
Putnam GrowthIncA m	LV	11,191	20.05	-1.8	+6.3E	+11.9E	5.25	500	
Putnam NewOppA m	LG	3,307	54.45	+1.7	+13.3C	+13.3C	5.25	500	
Putnam VistaA m	MG	1,581	12.21	+0.5	+11.2E	+14.7D	5.25	500	
Putnam VoyagerA m	LG	4,548	19.83	+2.6	+11.8E	+8.7E	5.25	500	
Van Kampen EntprsrA m	LG	1,128	16.50	+1.4	+20.0C	+11.2D	5.75	0	
Van Kampen PaceA m	LG	1,506	13.97	+6.0	+30.3A	+14.4B	5.75	1,000	
Vanguard 500	LB	67,949	141.13	+0.4	+13.1C	+13.3C	NL	3,000	
Vanguard Wndsr	LV	14,525	19.27	-0.6	+9.6C	+15.6B	NL	3,000	

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Name	Ex	Div	Yld	PE	Last	Daily YTD	Chg %Chg	Name	Ex	Div	Yld	PE	Last	Daily YTD	Chg %Chg	
AT&T Inc	NY	1.42	3.4	22	41.41	-33	+15.8	HewlettP	NY	32	6	21	51.59	-18	+25.2	
AbtLab	NY	1.30	2.4	44	54.65	+20	+12.2	HomeDp	NY	90	2.9	12	31.46	+06	+21.7	
AberFrc	NY	70	9	1	79.54	-05	+14.2	Huntsm	NY	40	15	...	26.25	-08	+38.4	
AirProd	NY	1.52	1.6	21	97.25	-13	+38.4	iShR2K nyaAmex	84	10	...	81.27	-65	+4.2		
AlcatelLuc	NY	22	2.3	...	9.39	-21	-34.0	Intel	Nasd	45	1.75	25	26.27	+01	+29.7	
Altria s	NY	3.00	4.1	15	72.76	-21	+16.4	IBM	NY	160	1.4	17	14.12	-68	+17.5	
AmercF	Nasd	74	3.2	12	23.08	+01	-29.4	JHHardie	NY	100	3.2	69	31.08	+03	-17.7	
AmExp	NY	60	1.0	18	60.30	-21	-4	JhncNt	NY	1.66	2.6	18	64.82	-16	-1.8	
AmerMed	Nasd	...	...	...	12.03	-4.95	-35.0	LSI Corp	NY	...	...	...	6.53	-09	-27.4
Anheusr	NY	1.32	2.6	19	51.43	-31	+4.5	Levi3	Nasd	...	...	...	3.05	-10	-45.5
Apple Inc	Nasd	...	...	...	187.00	+1.91	+120.4	Limited	NY	60	2.7	11	22.02	-05	-23.9
ArcelorMit	NY	1.30	1.6	13	79.36	-4.52	+88.1	McDnlds	NY	1.50	2.5	31	59.18	+01	+33.5	
ArchDan	NY	4.6	1.3	11	35.38	-28	+10.7	MerrillNy	NY	1.40	2.1	16	65.56	-1.86	-29.6	
BP PLC	NY	2.54	3.3	13	76.63	-1.57	+14.2	MetLife	NY	74	1.1	8	68.64	-77	+16.3	
BkofAm	NY	2.56	5.3	11	47.99	+01	-10.1	MicronT	NY	...	...	...	10.35	+36	-25.9
BnMySq	NY	1.12	3.7	28	30.02	+29	+15.3	Microst	Nasd	44	1.2	23	35.57	+1.00	+19.1	
Broadcom	Nasd	...	...	...	32.39	-74	-2	Motorola	NY	20	1.1	58	17.80	-25	-9.0
CBSA	NY	1.00	3.5	13	28.42	-4.2	-9.0	NtkEq	NY	...	...	...	14.86	-32	+155.3
CallGolf	NY	28	1.7	25	16.73	-27	+16.1	Nicor	NY	1.86	4.4	14	42.54	+06	-9.1	
Caterpillar	NY	1.44	2.0	14	73.46	-44	+19.8	NikeB s	NY	74	1.1	22	64.93	-29	+31.1	
Centex	NY	16	6	...	26.42	-20	-53.0	OnSmnd	Nasd	...	...	...	11.02	-197	+35.0
CentrueF	Nasd	5.2	2.6	14	19.88	-10	+2.1	Oracle	Nasd	25	21.63	-14	+26.2
Chevron	NY	2.32	2.6	10	90.08	-2.80	+22.5	Penney	NY	80	1.4	11	56.86	+40	-26.5	
Cisco	Nasd	28	32.61	-20	+9.3	PepsiCo	NY	1.50	2.0	20	73.84	+14	+18.0
Citigrp	NY	2.16	5.1	11	42.11	-58	-24.9	Pfizer	NY	1.16	4.7	12	24.45	-06	-5.6	
Comcast	NY	1.36	2.2	26	61.73	-11	+27.9	PwShs QQQNasd	14	3	...	54.26	+10	+25.7		
Comc Sp s	Nasd	28	20.90	-02	-25.9	PrncNtl	Nasd	1.08	4.1	13	25.00	+29	-18.6
CVRD s	NY	34	9	27	36.47	-70	+145.3	PrUSHQQAmex	1.77	5.1	...	35.00	-13	-35.7		
Con-Way	NY	40	1.0	10	41.78	-40	-5.1	ProctGam	NY	1.40	2.0	22	68.95	-		