

# Kill the Calls (.com)

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Rep. Matsui,

I have received a relatively significant amount of media attention (MSNBC, National Public Radio, various television stations, etc.) over the past couple of weeks due to my efforts to go after telemarketers who violate the applicable provisions of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA) of 1991. My efforts can be seen at the website I created: [www.KillTheCalls.com](http://www.KillTheCalls.com). (Additionally, my efforts shall be highlighted on the Tuesday, February 26, 2007 10:00 PM news on KOVR, the Sacramento CBS affiliate.)

I have been in discussions with Evan Goitein (extension: 5-2511) in Congressman Doolittle's office regarding various issues regarding telemarketers who violate the law. It is my understanding that in a series of town halls that Congressman Doolittle had last week that several people complained that they had been receiving telemarketing calls despite being on the National Do Not Call Registry. This is my experience as well. In fact, I can readily state that my level of these calls has actually increased since the date I registered.

I have already submitted a FOIA request to attempt to quantify the level of complaints versus enforcement actions and I am currently awaiting a response.

I have started a petition and am directing my contacts to ask their Members to examine the implementation of the Do Not Call Registry provisions of the TCPA with an eye towards making the (potential) \$11,000 per violating call a private right of action. I am fully cognizant that such is not a simple change, but I and my readers generally feel that such is the only way we can take our phones back. When the government can not or will not protect us, it is my feeling and the feeling of many of my readers that Congress needs to give us the right to protect ourselves.

As my Member, I implore you to look into this matter further and discuss it with your colleagues in the House.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Most Respectfully,

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