

**MICHIGAN CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 331 of 1976**

**445.903d Advertising or listing in telephone directory; misrepresenting name or location prohibited; violation; penalty; applicability to telephone service provider, publisher, or distributor.**

Sec. 3d. (1) A person shall not advertise or cause to be listed in a telephone directory a business address or local telephone number that intentionally misrepresents where the business is actually located or operating or that falsely states that the business is located or operating in the same area covered by the telephone directory.

(2) A person who violates this section is subject to a civil fine of not less than \$100.00 or more than \$10,000.00.

(3) This section does not apply to a telephone service provider or to the publisher or distributor of a telephone directory, unless the conduct proscribed in this section is on behalf of that telephone service provider or that publisher or distributor.

(4) This section does not apply to a telephone service provider that lists, in a telephone directory, a local telephone number that forwards calls to provide customer service.

**History:** Add. 1998, Act 230, Eff. Mar. 23, 1999.