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connect to the internet through it.

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To enact section 1349.63 of the Revised Code to

enact the Not On My Walk Act.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:	
Section 1. That section 1349.63 of the Revised Code be	3
enacted to read as follows:	4
Sec. 1349.63. (A) As used in this section:	5
(1) "Ancillary consumer device" means a consumer	6
electronic device that has the capability of sending or	7
receiving data over the internet through an attached consumer	8
device.	9
(2) "Attached consumer device" means a device marketed and	10
sold to consumers that meets both of the following criteria:	11
(a) It has the capability to send or receive data over the internet.	12 13
(b) It has the ability to permit ancillary devices to	14

"Attached consumer device" includes the following devices

<pre>capable of creating a mesh network: routers, modems, smart</pre>	17
speakers, smart doorbells, internet-capable security cameras,	18
and any other device capable of creating a mesh network.	19
(B)(1) A person that is in the business of selling	20
attached consumer devices to consumers shall not sell an	21
attached consumer device to a consumer in this state unless all	22
of the following conditions are met:	23
(a) The default settings for the attached consumer device	24
prevent ancillary consumer devices from connecting to the	25
internet through the attached consumer device.	26
(b) The attached consumer device only allows ancillary	27
consumer devices to connect to the internet through the attached	28
consumer device by the consumer actively changing the attached	29
<pre>consumer device's default settings.</pre>	30
(c) The attached consumer device does not require a	31
consumer to allow the connections described in division (B)(1)	32
of this section to make full use of the attached consumer	33
device.	34
(2) Selling an attached consumer device that activates the	35
connections described in division (B)(1) of this section via a	36
consumer's agreement to the seller's, manufacturer's, or other	37
party's terms of service, with no other intentional act on the	38
part of the consumer, does not constitute compliance with	39
division (B) (1) of this section.	40
(C)(1) A person that has the ability to remotely update	41
the software installed on an attached consumer device shall not	42
update the software to allow ancillary consumer devices to	43
connect to the internet through the attached consumer device	44
unless the capability to allow such connections can only be	45

activated by the consumer actively changing the attached	46
consumer device's default settings.	47
(2) Updating an attached consumer device and allowing the	48
connections described in division (C)(1) of this section via a	49
<pre>consumer's agreement to the device's terms of service, with no</pre>	50
other intentional act on the part of the consumer, does not	51
constitute compliance with division (C)(1) of this section.	52
(D)(1) A person that has the ability to remotely update	53
the software installed on an attached consumer device and that	54
has, as of the effective date of this section, remotely	55
activated the ability of the attached consumer device to allow	56
ancillary consumer devices to connect to the internet through	57
the attached consumer device, shall update the software to do	58
both of the following as soon as is practicable:	59
(a) Disable such connections by default;	60
(b) Only allow ancillary consumer devices to connect to	61
the internet through the attached consumer device by the	62
consumer actively changing the attached consumer device's	63
default settings.	64
(2) Updating an attached consumer device and allowing the	65
connections described in division (D)(1) of this section via a	66
consumer's agreement to the device's terms of service, with no	67
other intentional act on the part of the consumer, does not	68
constitute compliance with division (D)(1) of this section.	69
(E) A violation of this section is an unfair or deceptive	70
act or practice in violation of section 1345.02 of the Revised	71
Code. A person injured by a violation of this section has a	72
cause of action and is entitled to the same relief available to	73
a consumer under section 1345.09 of the Revised Code. All powers	74

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and remedies available to the attorney general to enforce	75
sections 1345.01 to 1345.13 of the Revised Code are available to	76
the attorney general to enforce this section.	77
Section 2. This act shall be known as the "Not On My Walk	78
Act."	79