

I would just like to say that I pay for my phone service. I agree that people have the right to free speech, but I have the right to choose who has the phone number that I pay for. Our lawmakers do not give their home numbers so that we can call them up and tell them how to vote. I don't think that anyone has the right to tell me that I have to have unwanted sales calls into my home. If my phone line was free, I might say that I had no right to choose how my phone number is to be used, but since I pay a monthly fee along with taxes on that service, I should have the right to say that I don't want telemarketers or anyone else who I don't personally give my phone number to calling me. If a telemarketer calls, and you ask what company they are with, it has been my experience that they don't give you the information so that you can remove your name from their list. They have hung up on me or gotten very rude with me. I had a company one time call my house three times in one hour. Each time, I told them to stop calling me. Each time I was treated very rudely. My only way of handling it was to call the police, file a report, and then call the phone company to have my calls traced. Then I needed to keep a list of the unwanted calls and report back to them. Why should I have to go through all of that? Since our no call list, I have had no problem with telemarketers. I put my name on the list when it first came out, and I have only received one unwanted call since then. I think that it is actually better for the telemarketer companies to have that list to work off of because the people on that list are not likely to purchase the item or service being sold anyway. This should allow the telemarketing firms to target only customers who may use their product or service.