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## DIGEST

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HB No. 1207

**Abstract:** Creates an unfair and deceptive trade practice to misrepresent to a consumer that television services being purchased include access to local channels if it does not.

Proposed law makes it an unfair and deceptive trade practice for anyone selling television services to misrepresent to a consumer that the services include local access channels when such local access is not included in the services.

Proposed law does not apply to television service providers who operate pursuant to a state or local franchise agreement or to any television broadcast station.

Proposed law subjects violators to present law actions and penalties enforceable by the attorney general (and district attorneys) for deceptive and unfair trade practices, including but not limited to restraining prohibited actions, compensation or restitution for aggrieved consumers, suspension of licenses or franchise agreements, and imposition of civil penalties.

(Adds R.S. 51:1422)

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

#### House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill.

1. Made technical changes.
2. Created an exception to proposed law for any television broadcast station.