## **Phone Companies Implement Robocall Blocking**

Robocall relief is here. In 2017 the FCC set new rules that Telecommunication companies must implement Robocall blocking by June 2019. I recently checked with AT&T and Verizon and they both have this service available. The robocall blocking is for cell phones and land lines; local, domestic, international calls as well as text messages. AT&T has a service that's free and one that costs a \$3.99 per month. For AT&T it's called "AT&T Call Protect". The free service includes security features and call notification warnings about potential robocalls. The paid service provides actual call blocking. Services offered may not be inclusive of everything I mentioned above because it's a new service but go ahead and contact your provider and find out more. I was told by Verizon that they also have similar services.

Here is the website link for AT&T Call Protect

https://www.att.com/features/security-apps.html

Here is an article on Verizon and T-Mobile

http://fortune.com/2019/01/18/robocall-verizon-id-blocking-att-tmobile/

Good Luck!

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