CRAMMING WORKSHOP REVIEW

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Held April 17, 2013
Addressed Bill Shock and Cramming
Video Available on FCC website

- www.fcc.gov/live
- click on "Past Events"
- click on "Workshop: Bill Shock and Cramming"

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State Input:

Wireless cramming is concern to states

 possibly migrating from wireline to wireless
 consumer complaints are "tip of the iceberg"

 Illinois Citizens Utility Board Study

- "suspicious charges" on wireless bills have doubled in last year
- more than half of wireless bills have suspicious charges

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State Input:

Vermont AG/University of Vermont survey

- ▶ 1,000 Vermont wireless consumers
- half of consumers unaware that third-party charges could be placed on their wireless bills
- half of bills had unauthorized charges
- since 2006, fewer than 25 complaints of wireless cramming
- Report available in ECFS, CG Docket 11-116