

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2013 and 2014 HB2432

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

205 ILCS 616/10 205 ILCS 616/46 new

Amends the Electronic Fund Transfer Act. Provides that a person who sells or issues general use reloadable cards shall disclose, prior to sale or issuance of the card, any fees imposed by the issuer. Provides certain requirements for the disclosures. Makes other changes. Effective January 1, 2014.

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1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Electronic Fund Transfer Act is amended by changing Section 10 and by adding Section 46 as follows:
- 6 (205 ILCS 616/10)
- 7 Sec. 10. Definitions. For purposes of this Act, the words
- 8 and phrases defined in this Section shall have the meanings
- 9 ascribed to them unless the context requires otherwise.
- 10 Whenever the terms "network" and "switch" are used, they shall
- 11 be deemed interchangeable unless, from the context and facts,
- 12 the intention is plain to apply only to one type of entity.
- "Access device" means a card, code, or other means of
- 14 access to an account, or any combination thereof, that may be
- used by a customer to initiate an electronic fund transfer at a
- 16 terminal.
- "Account" means a demand deposit, savings deposit, share,
- 18 member, or other customer asset account held by a financial
- 19 institution.
- 20 An "affiliate" of, or a person "affiliated" with, a
- 21 specified person, means a person that directly, or indirectly
- through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by,
- or is under common control with, the person specified.

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- "Commissioner" means the Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation or a person authorized by the Secretary, the Division of Banking Act, or this Act to act in the Secretary's stead.
- 5 "Division" means the Division of Banking within the 6 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.

"Electronic fund transfer" means a transfer of funds, other than a transaction originated by check, draft, or similar paper instrument, that is initiated through a terminal for the purpose of ordering, instructing, or authorizing a financial institution to debit or credit an account.

"Financial institution" means a bank established under the laws of this or any other state or established under the laws of the United States, a savings and loan association or savings bank established under the laws of this or any other state or established under the laws of the United States, a credit union established under the laws of this or any other state or established under the laws of the United States, or a licensee under the Consumer Installment Loan Act or the Sales Finance Agency Act.

21 <u>"General use reloadable card" means a card, code, or other</u>
22 access device that is:

- (1) issued on a prepaid basis primarily for personal, family, or household purposes to a consumer in a specified amount in exchange for payment;
- (2) issued under an agreement containing terms and

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1	conditions that permit funds to be added to the card, code,
2	or other device after the initial purchase or issuance,
3	including a temporary non-reloadable card issued solely in
4	connection with a general use reloadable card, code, or
5	other device;
6	(3) not marketed or labeled as a gift card or gift
7	<pre>certificate; and</pre>
8	(4) redeemable upon presentation at multiple,
9	unaffiliated merchants for goods or services, or usable at
10	automated teller machines.
11	"Interchange transaction" means an electronic fund
12	transfer that results in exchange of data and settlement of
13	funds between 2 or more unaffiliated financial institutions.
14	"Issuer" means a person that issues a general use
15	reloadable card or that person's agent with respect to the
16	card.
17	"Marketed or labeled as a gift card or gift certificate"
18	means directly or indirectly offering, advertising, or
19	otherwise suggesting the potential use of a card, code, or
20	other device as a gift for another person.
21	"Network" means an electronic information communication
22	and processing system that processes interchange transactions.
23	"Person" means a natural person, corporation, unit of

"Seller of goods and services" means a business entity

estate, partnership, cooperative, or association.

government or governmental subdivision or agency, trust,

other than a financial institution.

"Switch" means an electronic information and communication processing facility that processes interchange transactions on behalf of a network. This term does not include an electronic information and communication processing company (1) that is owned by a bank holding company or an affiliate of a bank holding company and used solely for transmissions among affiliates of the bank holding company or (2) to the extent that the facility, by virtue of a contractual relationship, is used solely for transmissions among affiliates of a bank holding company, regardless of whether the facility is an affiliate of the bank holding company or operates as a switch with respect to one or more networks under an independent contractual relationship.

"Terminal" means an electronic device through which a consumer may initiate an interchange transaction. This term does not include (1) a telephone, (2) an electronic device located in a personal residence, (3) a personal computer or other electronic device used primarily for personal, family, or household purposes, (4) an electronic device owned or operated by a seller of goods and services unless the device is connected either directly or indirectly to a financial institution and is operated in a manner that provides access to an account by means of a personal and confidential code or other security mechanism (other than signature), (5) an electronic device that is not accessible to persons other than

- 1 employees of a financial institution or affiliate of a
- 2 financial institution, or (6) an electronic device that is
- 3 established by a financial institution on a proprietary basis
- 4 that is identified as such and that cannot be accessed by
- 5 customers of other financial institutions. The Commissioner
- 6 may issue a written rule that excludes additional electronic
- 7 devices from the definition of the term "terminal".
- 8 (Source: P.A. 96-1365, eff. 7-28-10.)
- 9 (205 ILCS 616/46 new)
- 10 <u>Sec. 46. Disclosure requirements for general use</u>
- 11 reloadable cards.
- 12 (a) A person who sells or issues general use reloadable
- 13 cards shall disclose, prior to sale or issuance of the card,
- 14 any fees imposed by the issuer. The disclosures shall be in
- 15 writing and may be provided in electronic form, subject to
- 16 compliance with the consumer consent and other applicable
- 17 provisions of the Electronic Signatures in Global and National
- 18 Commerce Act (E-Sign Act) (15 U.S.C. 7001 et seq.). The
- 19 disclosure may be made on or with other documents. For joint
- 20 accounts, only one set of the required disclosures must be
- 21 provided and may be given to any of the account holders.
- 22 (b) The disclosure required under subsection (a) of this
- 23 Section shall provide information regarding fees charged under
- 24 the following fee categories, as applicable:
- 25 (i) total cost of setup fees (activation and cost of

Τ	<pre>card iees);</pre>
2	(ii) maintenance fees (service and inactivity fees);
3	(iii) fees to spend money (signature purchases, point
4	of sale transactions involving a personal identification
5	<pre>number, and bill pay fees);</pre>
6	(iv) fees to get money (cash advance, cash back at
7	merchant, international conversion, ATM balance inquiry,
8	and ATM withdrawal fees);
9	(v) fees to add money (reload and direct deposit fees);
10	(vi) fees to obtain information (audio response unit,
11	audio response unit opt-out to live operator, and audio
12	response unit balance inquiry fees); and
13	(vii) other related fees (such as cash out, negative
14	balance, replacement card, rush replacement card delivery,
15	reissuing an expired card, and denied transaction fees).
16	The disclosure must also indicate when third party fees may
17	apply.
18	(c) Accurate disclosure of all applicable fees in
19	substantially similar form to that provided in this Section
20	shall constitute compliance with the disclosure requirements
21	under subsection (a) of this Section. Categories for which no
22	fee is charged may be indicated as "free" or may be omitted.
23	(d) The standard disclosure form shall be organized as
24	<u>follows:</u>
25	[Name of Card Issuer]
26	[Name of Prepaid Card Product] Fee Summary

1	FEE CATEGORY	FEE TYPE	AMOUNT
2	Total Cost	<u>Activation</u>	<u>\$</u>
3	of Setup:	Cost of Card	<u>\$</u>
4	Maintenance:	Service	\$ per[time period]
5		<u>Inactivity</u>	<u>\$</u>
6			<pre>per [time period] after</pre>
7			[time period] of
8			<u>inactivity</u>
9	<pre>Spend Money:</pre>	Signature Purchase	<u>\$</u>
10		PIN/POS	<u>\$</u>
11		Bill Pay	<u>\$</u>
12	<pre>Get Money:</pre>	Cash Advance	\$
13		<u>Cash Back</u>	
14		at Merchant	<u>\$</u>
15		<u>International</u>	
16		<u>Conversion</u>	% of the transaction
17			amount when a currency
18			conversion occurs
19			$\underline{\text{or}}$ % of the transaction
20			amount when a currency
21			conversion does not occur
22		ATM Balance Inquiry	\$
23		ATM Withdrawal	\$
24	Add Money:	Reload	\$
25		<u>Direct Deposit</u>	<u>\$</u>
26	<pre>Information:</pre>	<u>Audio response</u>	

1		unit ("VRU")	<u>\$</u>	
2		VRU Opt-Out to Live		
3		<u>Operator</u>	<u>\$</u>	
4		VRU Balance Inquiry	<u>\$</u>	
5	Other:	Cash Out	<u>\$</u>	
6		Negative Balance	<u>\$</u>	
7		Replacement Card	<u>\$</u>	
8			to replace a [lost,	
9			stolen, or damaged card]	
10		Rush Delivery	<u>\$</u>	
11		Reissue Expired Card	<u>\$</u>	
12		Denied Transaction	<u>\$</u>	
13	*asterisk indicates that third party fees may apply			
14	[insert webpage address]			
15	Card	holder Customer Service:	[insert phone number]	
16	<u>(e)</u> A	card, code, or other ac	cess device is not a general	
17	use reloadable card merely because the issuer or processor is			
18	technically able to add functionality that would otherwise			
19	enable the card, code, or other access device to be reloaded.			
20	(f) Compliance with the federal Electronic Fund Transfer			
21	Act and any regulations issued under that Act regarding general			
22	use reload	dable card disclosures	shall constitute compliance	
23	with this	Section.		
24	Sectio	n 99. Effective date. T	his Act takes effect January	
25	1, 2014.			