

SENATE BILL 2570  
By Kilby

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47,  
Chapter 18, Part 1, relative to debit cards.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47, Chapter 18, Part 1, is amended by adding a new section thereto, as follows:

Section 47-18-127.

(a) Subject to the provisions of subsection (b), no person shall freeze for longer than twenty-four (24) hours an amount on a debit card that is greater than the amount of the products or services actually purchased.

(b) If a debit card is used to pay for services that will be provided for more than one (1) day, then within twenty-four (24) hours of completion of the provision of such services, fees for such services shall be transmitted to the financial institution issuing or guaranteeing such debit card, and any freeze based upon such services shall be lifted.

(c) A violation of this section constitutes an unfair deceptive act or practice.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.