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I N A S S E M B L Y

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Introduced by M. of A. DelMONTE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Consumer Affairs and Protection

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to requiring retailers to provide balance inquiry services for electronic benefit transfer cards

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. The general business law is amended by adding a new section
2 396-ii to read as follows:

3 S 396-II. BALANCE INQUIRY SERVICES ON ELECTRONIC BENEFIT TRANSFER
4 CARDS. ANY RETAILER IN THE STATE THAT ACCEPTS ELECTRONIC BENEFIT TRANS-
5 FER (EBT) CARDS, ISSUED BY THE OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY
6 ASSISTANCE, SHALL PROVIDE BALANCE INQUIRY SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS
7 POSSESSING SUCH CARDS.

8 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-
9 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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