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

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to requiring additional information for credit card transactions

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

Section 1. Section 458-k of the general business law is renumbered 458-l and a new 458-k is added to read as follows:

S 458-K. PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED FOR CREDIT CARD TRANSACTIONS. 1. EVERY PERSON, FIRM, PARTNERSHIP OR CORPORATION WHICH ACCEPTS CREDIT OR DEBIT CARDS FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS SHALL REQUIRE THE CREDIT OR DEBIT CARD HOLDER TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL IDENTIFYING INFORMATION SUCH AS A PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OR PASSWORD FOR THE USE AND COMPLETION OF THE BUSINESS TRANSACTION. THE CREDIT OR DEBIT CARD HOLDER SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO WRITE SUCH INFORMATION ON THE CREDIT OR DEBIT CARD TRANSACTION FORM OR ON ANY ATTACHMENT THERETO.

2. EVERY CREDIT SERVICES BUSINESS SHALL REQUIRE CREDIT CARD HOLDERS TO PROVIDE A PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OR PASSWORD TO OBTAIN AND MAINTAIN A CREDIT CARD ACCOUNT WITH SUCH BUSINESS AND SUCH INFORMATION SHALL BE REQUIRED TO BE USED BY THE CREDIT CARD HOLDER ONLY TO PERFORM A CREDIT CARD TRANSACTION.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after 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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