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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

No. 2805 Session of  
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B. MILLER, MOUL, OWLETT, READSHAW, ROWE AND ZIMMERMAN,  
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER AFFAIRS, AUGUST 18, 2020

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 17, 1968 (P.L.1224, No.387),  
2 entitled "An act prohibiting unfair methods of competition  
3 and unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the conduct of  
4 any trade or commerce, giving the Attorney General and  
5 District Attorneys certain powers and duties and providing  
6 penalties," further providing for definitions.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 2(4) of the act of December 17, 1968  
10 (P.L.1224, No.387), known as the Unfair Trade Practices and  
11 Consumer Protection Law, is amended by adding a subclause to  
12 read:

13 Section 2. Definitions.--As used in this act.

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15 (4) "Unfair methods of competition" and "unfair or deceptive  
16 acts or practices" mean any one or more of the following:

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18 (xx.1) Refusing to accept cash payment for the sale at  
19 retail of goods or services having a sale price of less than

1 five hundred dollars (\$500) when the purchaser is physically  
2 present at the point of sale. This subclause does not apply to  
3 the sale at retail of goods or services where the seller has a  
4 written policy that currency in excess of a certain denomination  
5 will not be accepted as payment and has posted the policy  
6 conspicuously for purchasers to view prior to the point of sale  
7 and the purchaser tenders cash payment in a denomination that  
8 exceeds the amount specified in the policy.

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10 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.