

General Assembly

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## Committee Bill No. 5744

LCO No. **4615** 

Referred to Committee on GENERAL LAW

Introduced by: (GL)

## AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN BUSINESS CONDUCT REGARDING STORAGE OF CONSUMERS' CREDIT CARD AND DEBIT CARD INFORMATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2025*) (a) As used in this section:
- (1) "Automatic renewal provision" has the same meaning as provided
  in section 42-158ff of the general statutes;
- 4 (2) "Business" has the same meaning as provided in section 42-158ff
  5 of the general statutes;
- 6 (3) "Consumer" has the same meaning as provided in section 42-158ff
  7 of the general statutes;
- 8 (4) "Consumer agreement" means any oral, telephonic, written or 9 electronic agreement between a business and a consumer under which 10 the business agrees to provide a consumer good or consumer service to 11 the consumer;

12 (5) "Consumer good" has the same meaning as provided in section13 42-158ff of the general statutes;

14 (6) "Consumer service" has the same meaning as provided in section
15 42-158ff of the general statutes;

16 (7) "Continuous services provision" has the same meaning as
17 provided in section 42-158ff of the general statutes;

18 (8) "Credit card" has the same meaning as provided in section 53a-19 128a of the general statutes; and

20 (9) "Debit card" has the same meaning as provided in section 53a-128a21 of the general statutes.

(b) (1) No business shall require a consumer to authorize the business
to store the consumer's credit card information or debit card information
(A) as a precondition to entering into, or amending, a consumer
agreement with the consumer, or (B) for purposes of any automatic
renewal provision or continuous services provision.

27 (2) Nothing in subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be construed to prohibit any business from temporarily storing a consumer's credit card 28 29 information or debit card information for the purpose of processing any 30 payment made by the consumer for any consumer good or consumer 31 service specifically requested by the consumer, provided (A) such 32 consumer voluntarily submitted such credit card information or debit 33 card information to such business for the purpose of providing payment 34 for such consumer good or consumer service, and (B) such business does 35 not store such credit card information or debit card information beyond 36 the time period required to process such payment.

37 (c) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection may adopt
38 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the
39 general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.

(d) Any violation of the provisions of this section shall be deemed an
unfair or deceptive trade practice under subsection (a) of section 42-110b
of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2025	New section

## Statement of Purpose:

To provide that businesses shall not require storage of consumers' credit card and debit card information.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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