SECOND REGULAR SESSION SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 474

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Governmental Accountability, February 16, 2012, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 208.182, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to food stamps, with penalty provisions in existing language.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

benefits for eligible food.

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Section A. Section 208.182, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 208.182, to read as follows:

208.182. 1. [The division of family services shall establish pilot projects in St. Louis City and in any county with a population of six hundred thousand or more, which shall provide for a system of electronic transfer of benefits to public assistance recipients. Such system shall allow recipients to obtain cash from automated teller machines or point of sale terminals. If less than the total amount of benefits is withdrawn, the recipient shall be given a receipt showing the current status of his account.] The department of social services shall seek a waiver from the federal government to mandate the use of photo identification for continued eligibility in the food stamp program 10 administered in Missouri. Upon one year after approval by the federal government, the department shall issue a photo identification card to 11 each eligible household member who is sixteen years of age or 12older. Upon request, a household member, or the household's 13 authorized representative, shall present the photo identification card 14 at issuance points, retail food stores, or meal services when exchanging 15

2. The disclosure of any information provided to a financial institution,

18 business or vendor by the [division of family services] department pursuant to

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this section is prohibited. Such financial institution, business or vendor may not use or sell such information and may not divulge the information without a court order. Violation of this subsection is a class A misdemeanor.

- 3. [Subject to appropriations and subject to receipt of waivers from the federal government to prevent the loss of any federal funds, the department of social services shall require the use of photographic identification on electronic benefit transfer cards issued to recipients in this system. Such photographic identification electronic benefit transfer card shall be in a form approved by the department of social services.
- 4.] The [division of family services] department shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this section pursuant to section 660.017 and chapter 536. The rules shall ensure compliance with federal law, taking into account individuals and households with special needs as well as ensuring that all appropriate household members or authorized representatives are able to access benefits from the account as necessary.
- [5.] 4. The delivery of electronic benefits and the electronic eligibility verification, including, but not limited to, [aid to families with dependent children (AFDC)] temporary assistance for needy families (TANF), women, infants and children (WIC), early periodic screening diagnosis and treatment (EPSDT), food stamps, supplemental security income (SSI), including Medicaid, child support, and other programs, shall reside in one card that may be enabled by function from time to time in a convenient manner.

