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IOWA BILL TEXT

**TITLE: A bill for an act relating to electronic benefits transfer cards under the food assistance program and making penalties applicable. (Formerly SSB 1132.)**

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COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND BUSINESS RELATIONS

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SUMMARY: An Act relating to electronic benefits transfer cards under the food assistance program and making penalties applicable.

**TEXT:**

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BY COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND BUSINESS RELATIONS

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1132)

A BILL FOR

An Act relating to electronic benefits transfer cards under the food assistance program and making penalties applicable.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. [Section 234.12A, Code 2019](#), is amended by adding the following new subsections:

**NEW SUBSECTION.** 2A. A person who possesses three or more electronic benefit transfer cards for which the person is not authorized to possess is guilty of a fraudulent practice pursuant to section 234.13, subsection 4.

**NEW SUBSECTION.** 2B. A law enforcement officer who has probable cause to believe that a person possesses an electronic benefits transfer card that the person is not authorized to possess shall report the name on the electronic benefit transfer card and the name of the person in possession of the electronic benefits transfer card to the department of inspections and appeals.

EXPLANATION

The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

This bill relates to electronic benefits transfer (EBT) cards under the food assistance program and makes penalties applicable.

The bill provides that a person who possesses three or more EBT cards for which the person is not authorized to possess is guilty of a fraudulent practice pursuant to Code section 234.13(4) (fraudulent practices relating to food programs).

The bill provides that a law enforcement officer who has probable cause to believe that a person possesses an EBT card that the person is not authorized to possess shall report the name on the EBT card and the name of the person in possession of the card to the department of inspections and appeals.

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