
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1710 Session of
2023

INTRODUCED BY DIAMOND, HAMM, KAUFFMAN, M. MACKENZIE, STAATS,
JAMES, ZIMMERMAN AND SMITH, SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION, TECHNOLOGY AND
UTILITIES, SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

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.