Legislative Analysis



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BRIDGE CARD AMENDMENTS

Senate Bills 434 & 556 (reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Sen. Rick Jones

House Committee: Families, Children, and Seniors Senate Committee: Banking and Financial Institutions

Complete to 11-4-13

(Enacted as Public Acts 193 and 194 of 2013)

A SUMMARY OF SENATE BILLS 434 & 556 AS REPORTED FROM HOUSE COMMITTEE

<u>Senate Bill 434</u> is part of a package of bills that would require financial institutions that own, operate, or manage automatic teller machines (ATM) located on the premises of casinos, casino enterprises, liquor stores, or adult entertainment establishments to work with the Department of Human Services (DHS) to ensure that an ATM would not allow an individual to access cash benefits from a Michigan Bridge Card. The bills would take effect February 1, 2014. <u>Senate Bill 434</u> would amend the Credit Union Act (MCL 490.101 et al.) and is the Senate counterpart to House Bill 4860, which is also on the House floor.

Senate Bill 556 is part of a package of bills that would do the following (1) require the DHS to work with providers of ATM machines to implement a program or method of blocking access to cash benefits from Michigan Bridge Cards at ATM machines located in casinos, casino enterprises, liquor stores, or adult entertainment establishments; and (2) require that retailers licensed to sell alcoholic liquor (beer, wine, and spirits) and racetrack license holders work with the DHS and providers of ATM services to prevent an individual's access to cash benefits from a Michigan Bridge Card through a point of sale or withdrawal from an ATM on their premises. Those bills would also take effect February 1, 2014. Senate Bill 556 would amend the Social Welfare Act and is the Senate counterpart to House Bill 5016, which is also on the House floor.

(A Michigan Bridge Card is the card used to distribute cash benefits by the Department of Human Services.)

FISCAL IMPACT:

For fiscal impact, see the House Fiscal Agency summaries of House Bills 5014-5016 and the summaries of House Bills 4858-4860 at: www.legislature.mi.gov

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