

House Bill 181

By: Representatives Cooke of the 18th, Dutton of the 157th, Allison of the 8th, Hightower of the 68th, Brockway of the 102nd, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 1 of Title 7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 financial institutions, so as to provide a definition; to prohibit the use of EBT cards in
3 automated teller machines to obtain cash; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting
4 laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Chapter 1 of Title 7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to financial
8 institutions, is amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

9 "ARTICLE 14

10 7-1-1050.

11 (a) As used in this article, the term 'electronic benefit transfer card' means a card that
12 provides public assistance benefits under Chapter 4 of Title 49 or other programs, including
13 the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or food stamp program, through an
14 electronic benefit transfer service.

15 (b) No bank or other merchant in this state offering automated teller machine services shall
16 allow such automated teller machines to accept or persons to use electronic benefit transfer
17 cards to obtain cash from such machines."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.