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H.B. No. 521

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the contents of a receipt issued for payment of a good or service; providing a civil penalty.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 501, Business & Commerce Code, as effective April 1, 2009, is amended by adding Section 501.1011 to read as follows:

Sec. 501.1011. SALES RECEIPT CONTAINING DRIVER'S LICENSE OR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER PROHIBITED. A person may not print an individual's driver's license or social security number on a receipt or other document that evidences payment for a sale of goods or services and is provided to the individual.

SECTION 2. Section 501.102, Business & Commerce Code, as effective April 1, 2009, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a) A person who violates Section 501.101 [~~this subchapter~~] is liable to this state for a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed \$500 for each violation. The attorney general or the prosecuting attorney in the county in which the violation occurs may bring an action to recover the civil penalty imposed under this subsection [~~section~~].

(a-1) A person who violates Section 501.1011 is liable to this state for a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed \$500 for each calendar month in which a violation occurs. The civil penalty

1 may not be imposed for more than one violation that occurs in a  
2 month. The attorney general or the prosecuting attorney in the  
3 county in which the violation occurs may bring an action to recover  
4 the civil penalty imposed under this subsection.

5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 2010.