

1-1 By: Perez of Harris (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 272  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 30, 2025;  
1-3 May 1, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal  
1-4 Justice; May 12, 2025, rereferred to Committee on State Affairs;  
1-5 May 23, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,  
1-6 Nays 0; May 23, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-7	COMMITTEE VOTE				
1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Hughes	X			
1-10	Paxton	X			
1-11	Bettencourt	X			
1-12	Birdwell	X			
1-13	Hall	X			
1-14	Hinojosa of Nueces	X			
1-15	Middleton	X			
1-16	Parker			X	
1-17	Perry	X			
1-18	Schwertner			X	
1-19	Zaffirini	X			

1-20 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-21 AN ACT

1-22 relating to the prosecution of the offense of fraudulent use or  
1-23 possession of credit card or debit card information.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Subchapter F, Chapter 13A, Code of Criminal  
1-26 Procedure, is amended by adding Article 13A.2551 to read as  
1-27 follows:

1-28 Art. 13A.2551. FRAUDULENT USE OR POSSESSION OF CREDIT CARD  
1-29 OR DEBIT CARD INFORMATION. An offense under Section 32.315, Penal  
1-30 Code, may be prosecuted in any county in which the offense was  
1-31 committed or in the county of residence for any person whose credit  
1-32 card or debit card information was unlawfully obtained, possessed,  
1-33 transferred, or used by the defendant.

1-34 SECTION 2. Article 38.19(a), Code of Criminal Procedure, is  
1-35 amended to read as follows:

1-36 (a) This article applies to the trial of an offense under  
1-37 any of the following sections of the Penal Code:

- 1-38 (1) Section 32.21 (Forgery);  
1-39 (2) Section 32.31 (Credit Card or Debit Card Abuse);

1-40 [~~or~~]  
1-41 (3) Section 32.51 (Fraudulent Use or Possession of  
1-42 Identifying Information); or

1-43 (4) Section 32.315 (Fraudulent Use or Possession of  
1-44 Credit Card or Debit Card Information).

1-45 SECTION 3. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to  
1-46 a criminal proceeding that commences on or after the effective date  
1-47 of this Act. A criminal proceeding that commenced before the  
1-48 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the  
1-49 date the proceeding commenced, and the former law is continued in  
1-50 effect for that purpose.

1-51 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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