1-1	By: Bohac (Senate Sponsor - Watson)
1-2	(In the Senate - Received from the House May 12, 2015;
1-3	May 15, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Business
1-4	and Commerce; May 22, 2015, reported favorably by the following
1-5	vote: Yeas 7, Nays 1; May 22, 2015, sent to printer.)
1-6	COMMITTEE VOTE
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1 - 17	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1 - 18	AN ACT
1-19	relating to the redemption of certain stored value cards, including
1-20	gift cards, for cash.
1-21	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-22	SECTION 1. Chapter 604, Business & Commerce Code, is
1-23	amended by adding Subchapter D to read as follows:
1-24	<u>SUBCHAPTER D. REDEMPTION OF CERTAIN LOW-VALUE CARDS</u>
1-25	Sec. 604.151. APPLICABILITY OF SUBCHAPTER. (a) This
1-26	subchapter does not apply to a stored value card:
1-27	(1) described by Sections 604.002(1)-(3);
1-28	(2) issued as a refund for merchandise returned
1-29	without a receipt; or
1-30	(3) that has an initial value of \$5 or less and to
1-31	which additional value cannot be added.
1-32	(b) Except as otherwise provided by Subsection (a), Section
1-33	604.002 does not apply to this subchapter.
1-34	Sec. 604.152. CASH REFUND FOR LOW-VALUE CARD. If a stored
1-35	value card is redeemed in person to make a purchase and a balance of
1-36	less than \$2.50 remains following the redemption, at the consumer's
1-37	request the seller shall refund the balance of the card in cash to
1-38	the consumer.
1-39	SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.
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