## **SENATE BILL No. 719**

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A bill to amend 2005 PA 244, entitled "Deferred presentment service transactions act," by amending section 35 (MCL 487.2155).

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## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 35. (1) A licensee shall not renew a deferred presentment service agreement. A licensee may extend a deferred presentment service agreement only if the licensee does not charge a fee in connection with the extended transaction. A licensee who extends an agreement under this subsection shall not create a balance owed above the amount owed on the original agreement.

(2) If a drawer enters into 8 deferred presentment service transactions with any licensee in any 12-month period, the licensee shall provide the drawer an option to repay that eighth transaction and each additional transaction in that 12-month period pursuant to a written repayment plan subject to the following terms:

- 1 (a) The drawer shall request the repayment plan, either orally
- 2 or in writing, within 30 days after the maturity date of the
- 3 deferred presentment service transaction.
- 4 (b) The drawer shall repay the transaction in 3 equal
- 5 installments with 1 installment due on each of the next 3 dates on
- 6 which the drawer receives regular wages or compensation from an
- 7 employer or other regular source of income, pursuant to a written
- 8 repayment plan agreement.
- 9 (c) The drawer shall pay a fee to the licensee for
- 10 administration of the repayment plan. The initial amount of the fee
- 11 is \$15.00. Beginning March 1, 2011, and by March 1 of every fifth
- 12 year after March 1, 2011, the licensee may adjust the fee by an
- 13 amount determined by the commissioner DIRECTOR to reflect the
- 14 cumulative percentage change in the Detroit consumer price index
- 15 over the preceding 5 calendar years. As used in this subsection,
- 16 "Detroit consumer price index" means the most comprehensive index
- 17 of consumer prices available for the Detroit area from the bureau
- 18 of labor statistics of the United States department of labor.
- 19 BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
- 20 LABOR.
- 21 (d) The drawer shall agree not to enter into any additional
- 22 deferred presentment transactions during the repayment plan term.
- 23 (3) A licensee shall advise a customer of the repayment option
- 24 described in subsection (2) at the time he or she is eligible. If a
- 25 customer believes he or she has been illegally denied the repayment
- 26 option under this section, he or she is entitled to contact the
- 27 office of financial and insurance services DEPARTMENT toll-free at

- 1 1-877-999-6442. If a customer has entered into 8 deferred
- 2 presentment service transactions in any 12-month period, the
- 3 database provider shall notify the licensee when the licensee
- 4 submits the required customer information to the database for that
- 5 customer that the customer is entitled to a repayment plan under
- 6 this section. The database provider shall instruct the licensee to
- 7 provide the customer with the following notice, in a document
- 8 separate from the deferred presentment transaction agreement and in
- 9 at least 12-point type:
- 10 "If you are unable to pay your deferred presentment service
- 11 transaction and have entered into 8 deferred presentment
- 12 transactions in any 12-month period, state law entitles you to
- 13 request a repayment of that transaction in installments. We are
- 14 required to advise you of this option at the time it is available.
- 15 If you elect this option, you must notify us, either orally or in
- 16 writing, within 30 days after the maturity date of the eighth
- 17 deferred presentment transaction in the 12-month period. The notice
- 18 must be provided to us at our place of business. You may be charged
- 19 an additional fee when the transaction is rescheduled in
- 20 installments. You will be ineligible to enter into a deferred
- 21 presentment service transaction with any licensee during the term
- 22 of the repayment plan. If we refuse to provide this option under
- 23 the stipulations above, you should contact the Office of Financial
- 24 and Insurance Services DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL
- 25 SERVICES toll-free at 1-877-999-6442.".
- 26 (4) During the term of a repayment plan by a drawer under this
- 27 section, the database provider shall notify the licensee at the

- 1 time the licensee submits the required customer information to the
- 2 database for that customer that the customer is presently in a
- 3 repayment plan under this section with 1 or more other licensees
- 4 and the licensee shall not enter into a deferred presentment
- 5 transaction with that individual.
- 6 (5) A licensee shall not present a check for payment before
- 7 the maturity date or during the term of the repayment plan. In
- 8 addition to the remedies and penalties under this act, a licensee
- 9 that presents a check for payment before the maturity date or
- 10 during the term of the repayment plan is liable for all expenses
- 11 and damages caused to the drawer and the drawee as a result of the
- 12 violation. If a drawer has not requested a repayment plan on or
- 13 before the maturity date, the licensee may redeem, present for
- 14 payment, or enter the check into the check-clearing process under
- 15 the terms of the original deferred presentment service transaction
- 16 agreement.
- 17 (6) A drawer satisfies his or her obligation under a deferred
- 18 presentment service agreement when the check the licensee is
- 19 holding is paid by the drawee or is redeemed by the drawer by
- 20 paying to the licensee an amount equal to the full amount of the
- 21 check.
- 22 (7) UNLESS THE DRAWER HAS ENTERED INTO A WRITTEN REPAYMENT
- 23 PLAN UNDER SUBSECTION (2), A LICENSEE SHALL DEPOSIT A CHECK HELD IN
- 24 CONNECTION WITH A DEFERRED PRESENTMENT SERVICE TRANSACTION ON THE
- 25 MATURITY DATE IF THE CHECK IS NOT REDEEMED IN THE MANNER DESCRIBED
- 26 IN SECTION 2(1)(C)(i), OR EXCHANGED IN THE MANNER DESCRIBED IN
- 27 SECTION 2(1)(C)(ii), ON OR BEFORE THE MATURITY DATE.

- 1 (8) A LICENSEE SHALL DEPOSIT A CHECK HELD IN CONNECTION WITH A
- 2 DEFERRED PRESENTMENT SERVICE TRANSACTION ON ANY REPAYMENT PLAN
- 3 INSTALLMENT DATE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2) IF THE DRAWER FAILS TO
- 4 MAKE THE INSTALLMENT PAYMENT.
- 5 (9) IF THE DRAWER HAS AN OUTSTANDING DEFERRED PRESENTMENT
- 6 SERVICE TRANSACTION IN WHICH A CHECK HELD IN CONNECTION WITH THE
- 7 TRANSACTION WAS DEPOSITED AND RETURNED UNPAID, THE LICENSEE MAY
- 8 COLLECT THE CHECK BY MEANS OF 1 OR MORE TELEPHONE-INITIATED ENTRIES
- 9 IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ARE MET:
- 10 (A) THE DRAWER AGREES TO EACH TELEPHONE-INITIATED ENTRY.
- 11 (B) EACH TELEPHONE-INITIATED ENTRY IS A SINGLE, DATE-SPECIFIC
- 12 PAYMENT AND DOES NOT AUTHORIZE MORE THAN 1 PAYMENT OR PERIODIC
- 13 PAYMENTS.
- 14 (C) THE LICENSEE DOES NOT CHARGE THE DRAWER A FEE IN
- 15 CONNECTION WITH THE TELEPHONE-INITIATED ENTRY OR ENTRIES.
- 16 (10) IF THE PAYMENT TO SATISFY AN OUTSTANDING DEFERRED
- 17 PRESENTMENT TRANSACTION OBLIGATION IS MADE IN PERSON, THE LICENSEE
- 18 SHALL IMMEDIATELY RETURN THE CHECK HELD IN CONNECTION WITH THE
- 19 DEFERRED PRESENTMENT SERVICE TRANSACTION TO THE DRAWER. IF THE
- 20 PAYMENT TO SATISFY THE OBLIGATION IS NOT MADE IN PERSON, THE
- 21 LICENSEE SHALL RETURN THE CHECK TO THE DRAWER BY MAILING IT TO THE
- 22 ADDRESS LISTED ON THE DEFERRED PRESENTMENT TRANSACTION SERVICE
- 23 AGREEMENT WITHIN 1 BUSINESS DAY AFTER THE LICENSEE OBTAINS EVIDENCE
- 24 THAT THE DRAWER HAS SATISFIED THE OBLIGATION.
- 25 (11) A LICENSEE SHALL ONLY ACCEPT A PAYMENT BY DEBIT CARD TO
- 26 REDEEM A CHECK THE LICENSEE IS HOLDING IF THE DRAWER CERTIFIES TO
- 27 THE LICENSEE THAT THE DEBIT CARD DRAWS FUNDS FROM THE SAME ACCOUNT

- 1 ON WHICH THE CHECK IS DRAWN.
- 2 (12) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "TELEPHONE-INITIATED ENTRY"
- 3 MEANS A DEBIT TRANSACTION TO A DRAWER'S ACCOUNT THAT IS PROCESSED
- 4 THROUGH AN AUTOMATED CLEARING HOUSE, AS THAT TERM IS DEFINED IN
- 5 SECTION 1 OF 2002 PA 738, MCL 124.301, AND INITIATED PURSUANT TO AN
- 6 AUTHORIZATION OBTAINED FROM THE DRAWER ORALLY BY TELEPHONE.
- 7 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 8 after the date it is enacted into law.
- 9 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 10 unless Senate Bill No. 607 of the 98th Legislature is enacted into
- **11** law.