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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE	ACTION
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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee Representative Snyder offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove lines 110-143 and insert:

7 (c) An entity involved in facilitating or processing a 8 payment card transaction, including, but not limited to, a 9 financial institution, an acquirer, a payment card network, or a 10 payment card issuer, may not assign to a merchant, or require a merchant to use, a merchant category code that classifies the 11 merchant as a firearms or ammunition retailer or a similar 12 classification. A merchant of firearms or ammunition may be 13 14 assigned or may use a merchant category code for general 15 merchandise retailers or sporting goods retailers. Any agreement

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16 or contractual provision to the contrary is void in violation of 17 the public policy of this state.

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(4) PENALTIES.-

(a) Any person who, or entity that, violates <u>paragraph</u>
(a) a provision of this section commits a felony of the third
degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

22 (b) Except as required by the provisions of s. 16, Art. I 23 of the State Constitution or the Sixth Amendment to the United 24 States Constitution, no public funds may not shall be used to 25 defend the unlawful conduct of any person charged with a violation of this section, unless the charges against the such 26 27 person are dismissed or the such person is determined to be not 28 guilty at trial. Notwithstanding this paragraph, public funds 29 may be expended to provide the services of the office of public 30 defender or court-appointed conflict counsel as provided by law.

31 (C) The governmental entity, or the designee of the such 32 governmental entity, in whose service or employ a list, record, 33 or registry was compiled in violation of paragraph (2)(a) this 34 section may be assessed a fine of up to not more than \$5 35 million $_{\tau}$ if the court determines that the evidence shows that 36 the list, record, or registry was compiled or maintained with the knowledge or complicity of the management of the 37 38 governmental entity. The Attorney General may bring a civil 39 cause of action to enforce the fines assessed under this 40 paragraph.

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41	(d) The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
42	may investigate an alleged violation of paragraphs (2)(b) or (c)
43	and, upon finding a violation, bring an administrative action
44	seeking to impose an administrative fine pursuant to s. 570.971
45	in the Class III category for each violation of paragraphs
46	(2)(b) or (c) for each instance of an unlawfully classified
47	<u>retailer.</u>
48	(e) The state attorney in the appropriate jurisdiction
49	shall investigate complaints of criminal violations of this
50	section, except for alleged violations of paragraph (2)(b) or
51	(c), and shall prosecute violators $_{ au}$ where evidence indicates
52	that a violation may have occurred, shall prosecute violators.
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