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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND COMMERCE,  
NOVEMBER 25, 1975

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AN ACT

1 Regulating the name under which credit cards can be issued.

2 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
3 hereby enacts as follows:

4 Section 1. Upon determination by an issuer of a credit card  
5 using recognized commercial practices to issue a card, the  
6 credit card shall be issued bearing (i) the name assigned to a  
7 woman at birth, (ii) in the case of a married woman, the surname  
8 of her husband, if she so elects, (iii) the name appearing in a  
9 court order in that case of a person whose name has been  
10 changed, (iv) and, in the case of an individual who uses a name  
11 other than that which would be determined by one of the above  
12 methods, the name by which such woman is and has been known as  
13 demonstrated by reasonable evidence. Evidence of the name used  
14 by a woman may include but is not limited to tax, social  
15 security, selective service and voter registration records.

16 Section 2. If in the regular course of business of the

1 issuer of credit cards duplicate cards are distributed for  
2 authorized use, a request by the applicant may be made to have  
3 the duplicate card bear (i) the name assigned to a woman at  
4 birth, (ii) in the case of a married woman, the surname of her  
5 husband, if she so elects, (iii) the name appearing in a court  
6 order in that case of a woman whose name has been changed, (iv)  
7 and in the case of an individual who uses a name other than that  
8 which would be determined by one of the above methods, the name  
9 by which such woman is and has been known as demonstrated by  
10 reasonable evidence. While not intended to be inclusive, such  
11 evidence may include tax, social security, selective service and  
12 voter registration records. The account number and address shall  
13 remain the same as those of the holder of the original credit  
14 card.

15 Section 3. This act shall take effect on October 28, 1975.