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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER AFFAIRS, AUGUST 13, 2020

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, in COVID-19 disaster emergency,  
3 providing for notice of change shortage and retail  
4 implications.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Title 35 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
8 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

9 § 5703. Notice of change shortage and retail implications.

10 All retailers in this Commonwealth must provide notice of  
11 preferred payments for retail items in a conspicuous location of  
12 the retail location, including notice as to whether exact change  
13 from a cash transaction can be provided to the customer. The  
14 following shall apply:

15 (1) If a retailer cannot provide exact change to a  
16 customer, the retailer may issue a store credit or gift card  
17 in the amount of the difference between the transaction total  
18 and the cash change amount the retailer is deficient.

1           (2) If a retailer does not issue a store credit or gift  
2           card under paragraph (1), the retailer must round the  
3           transaction total down to the nearest dollar, after tax, if  
4           any.

5           Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.