

CHESTER J. CULVER GOVERNOR

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April 11, 2008

The Honorable Michael Mauro Secretary of State State Capitol Building L O C A L

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

House File 2372, an Act limiting the scope of the electronic benefits transfer program maintained by the department of human services.

The above House File is hereby approved this date.

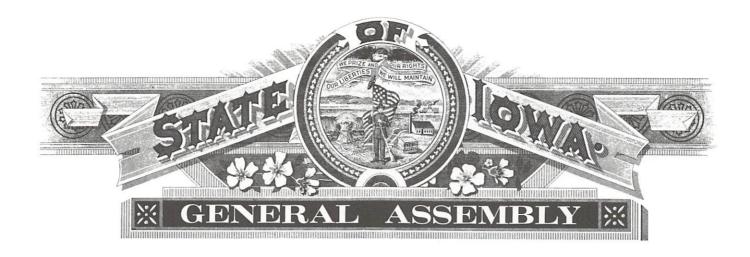
Sincerely.

Chester J. Culver Governor

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cc: Secretary of the Senate Chief Clerk of the House





HOUSE FILE 2372

AN ACT

LIMITING THE SCOPE OF THE ELECTRONIC BENEFITS TRANSFER PROGRAM MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 234.1, Code 2007, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

<u>NEW SUBSECTION</u>. 3A. "Food assistance program" means the benefits provided through the United States department of agriculture program administered by the department of human services in accordance with 7 C.F.R. pts. 270-283.

Sec. 2. Section 234.12A, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:

The department of human services shall maintain an electronic benefits transfer program utilizing electronic funds transfer systems <u>for the food assistance program</u>. The <u>electronic benefits transfer</u> program <u>implemented under this</u> <u>section</u> shall at a minimum provide for all of the following:

Sec. 3. Section 234.12A, subsection 3, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:

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3. For the purposes of this section, "retailer" means a business authorized by the United States department of agriculture to accept food stamp assistance program benefits.

Patrick J. MURPHY

Speaker of the House

JOHN P. KIBBIE President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2372, Eighty-second General Assembly.

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MARK BRANDSGARD Chief Clerk of the House

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CHESTER J. CULVER Governor