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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to consumer protection; regulating consumer purchases by credit card;  
1.3 requiring verification of buyer's identity; proposing coding for new law in  
1.4 Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325F.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. **[325F.983] CONSUMER PURCHASES BY CREDIT CARD;**  
1.7 **VERIFICATION OF BUYER'S IDENTITY.**

1.8 Subdivision 1. **Face-to-face transactions; photo identification required.** Except  
1.9 as otherwise provided in subdivision 2, a person may not accept a credit card as payment  
1.10 for consumer credit, goods, or services unless the person has verified the buyer's identity  
1.11 by requiring the buyer to produce a current valid Minnesota driver's license, current valid  
1.12 Minnesota identification card, a current valid photo identification card issued by another  
1.13 state or the District of Columbia, or a valid passport.

1.14 Subd. 2. **Other transactions; card security code required.** If a credit card is being  
1.15 offered as payment for consumer credit, goods, or services and the transaction is occurring  
1.16 over the Internet, by mail, by fax, or over the telephone, a person may not accept the credit  
1.17 card as payment unless the buyer also provides the card security code to the person. For  
1.18 purposes of this subdivision, "card security code" is the three- or four-digit value printed  
1.19 on the card or the signature strip and includes codes known as the card validation code  
1.20 (CVC2), card verification value (CVV2), and card identification number (CID).

1.21 Subd. 3. **Attorney general enforcement.** This section may be enforced by the  
1.22 attorney general pursuant to section 8.31. The attorney general may recover costs and  
1.23 disbursements, including costs of investigations and reasonable attorney fees.