HB0272 Engrossed

1 AN ACT concerning business.

## 2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business
Practices Act is amended by adding Section 2WWW as follows:

- 6 (815 ILCS 505/2WWW new)
- 7 <u>Sec. 2WWW. Unsolicited checks.</u>

(a) No person shall deliver to a consumer an unsolicited 8 9 check, negotiable instrument, credit card, debit card, or other form of payment or transfer payable to or to the order of 10 the consumer that, upon cashing or other negotiation by the 11 12 consumer, obligates the consumer to repay the amount of the check plus interest and fees. A consumer is not liable for any 13 14 debt or other obligation arising out of the negotiation of a form of payment delivered to the consumer in violation of this 15 16 Section.

17 <u>(b) This Section does not apply to a transaction in which a</u> 18 <u>consumer has submitted an application for, or requested an</u> 19 <u>extension of, credit from the person before receiving the</u> 20 <u>check or instrument, or when the consumer has an existing</u> 21 <u>relationship with the person.</u>

(c) A person who violates this Section commits an unlawful
 practice within the meaning of this Act.