HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2014 STATE OF HAWAII H.R. NO. **(** 

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING CONGRESS, HAWAII FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, AND HAWAII BUSINESSES TO ADOPT LEGISLATION, POLICIES, AND PROCEDURES TO USE IDENTITY THEFT-RESISTANT CREDIT CARDS.

WHEREAS, credit card data theft is one of the fastest-1 growing crimes in the nation, increasing 50 percent from 2005 to 2 3 2010, according to a recent report from the United States and a second states and a second states and a second states and a second state s 4 Department of Justice; and 5 6 WHEREAS, credit card data theft is often included in the general definition of identity theft, a crime that occurs when a 7 8 thief steals an individual's personal information and uses it without the individual's permission; and 9 10 11 WHEREAS, identity theft is a serious crime that can devastate an individual's finances, credit history, and 12 reputation, and can take time, money, and patience to resolve; 13 14 and 15 WHEREAS, the number of malicious programs written to steal 16 an individual's personal information has grown exponentially 17 from about 1,000,000 in 2007 to an estimated 130,000,000 in 18 2013; and 19 20 WHEREAS, identity theft is expected to surpass traditional 21 theft as the leading form of property crime, and security 22 analysts have reported that everyone should prepare to become an 23 identity theft victim at some point; and 24 25 WHEREAS, most Americans have a greater chance of having 26 their personal identity information stolen than being actually 27 held up at gunpoint; and 28



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1 WHEREAS, a company has recently introduced a new type of 2 identity theft-resistant credit card that is designed to reduce 3 the chances of consumers being hit with fraudulent credit card 4 debt; and 5

6 WHEREAS, in designing this new type of credit card, the 7 company has developed small, digital, internal components that 8 will allow a consumer to enter a personal unlocking code that 9 will generate a unique credit card number for every transaction, 10 making the card more difficult to use by thieves if it is lost 11 or stolen; and

WHEREAS, at least one major bank is testing this new type of credit card in a number of small pilot programs, and more lenders may adopt the technology in the near future; now, therefore,

18 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 19 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular 20 Session of 2014, that the Congress of the United States, Hawaii 21 financial institutions, and Hawaii businesses are urged to adopt 22 legislation, policies, and procedures to use identity theft-23 resistant credit cards; and 24

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Congress of the United
States is urged to adopt legislation that would ease a
transition to a new type of identity theft-resistant credit
card; and

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Hawaii financial institutions 31 and Hawaii businesses that offer credit cards are urged to use 32 the new identity theft-resistant credit card technology to 33 reduce the chances of consumers being victimized by identity 34 thieves; and

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 37 Resolution be transmitted to the President Pro Tempore of the 38 United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of 39 Representatives, the members of Hawaii's congressional 40 delegation, the President of the Hawaii Bankers Association, the 41 President and Chief Executive Officer of the Chamber of Commerce

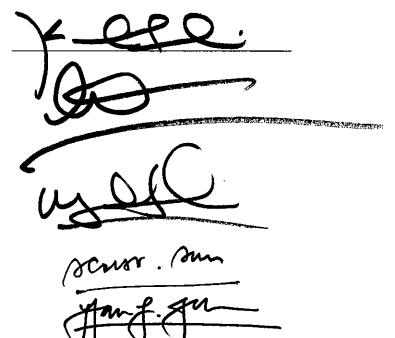


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1 of Hawaii, and the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the 2 Retail Merchants of Hawaii. 3

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