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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to gift certificates; amending s. 501.95, F.S.; clarifying that the term "gift certificate" does not include discount or promotional coupons for purposes of a provision prohibiting gift certificates having expiration dates; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 501.95, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 501.95 Gift certificates and credit memos. --
- (1) As used in this section, the term:
- (b) "Gift certificate" means a certificate, gift card, stored value card, or similar instrument issued in exchange for monetary consideration when the certificate, card, or similar instrument is redeemable for merchandise, food, or services regardless of whether any cash may be paid to the owner of the certificate, card, or instrument as part of the redemption transaction, but this term shall not include discount or promotional coupons or tickets as specified in s. 717.1355.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.