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An act relating to electronic benefits transfer cards; amending s. 402.82, F.S.; conforming terminology; proving enforcement authority to the department; restricting the use of electronic benefits transfer cards; providing that an electronic benefits transfer card may not be used or accepted at certain establishments licensed under the Beverage Law, an adult entertainment establishment, a pari-mutuel facility, a slot machine facility, an unauthorized commercial bingo facility, a casino, a gaming facility or gambling facility, or any gaming activities authorized under part II of ch. 285, F.S.; providing an effective date.

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

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Section 1. Section 402.82, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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402.82 Electronic <u>benefits</u> benefit transfer program.-

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(1) The Department of Children and Families Family
Services shall establish an electronic benefits benefit transfer program for the dissemination of food assistance benefits and temporary cash assistance payments, including refugee cash assistance payments, asylum applicant payments, and child support disregard payments. If the Federal Government does not enact legislation or regulations providing for dissemination of supplemental security income by electronic benefits benefit

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transfer, the state may include supplemental security income in the electronic benefits benefit transfer program.

- (2) The department shall, in accordance with applicable federal laws and regulations, develop minimum program requirements and other policy initiatives, including enforcement procedures, for the electronic benefits benefit transfer program.
- (3) The department shall enter into public-private contracts for all provisions of electronic transfer of public assistance benefits.
- (4) Use or acceptance of an electronic benefits transfer card is prohibited at the following locations or for the following activities:
- (a) An establishment licensed under the Beverage Law to sell distilled spirits as a vendor and restricted as to the types of products that can be sold under ss. 565.04 and 565.045 or a bottle club as defined in s. 561.01.
- (b) An adult entertainment establishment as defined in s. 847.001.
 - (c) A pari-mutuel facility as defined in s. 550.002.
 - (d) A slot machine facility as defined in s. 551.102.
- (e) A commercial bingo facility that operates outside the provisions of s. 849.0931.
- (f) A casino, gaming facility, or gambling facility, or any gaming activities authorized under part II of chapter 285.

 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2013.

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