
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 368 Session of
2017

INTRODUCED BY BROOKS, EICHELBERGER, VULAKOVICH, FOLMER, ARGALL,
VOGEL, RESCHENTHALER, AUMENT, MARTIN, WARD, RAFFERTY, WHITE
AND WAGNER, FEBRUARY 15, 2017

REFERRED TO HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, FEBRUARY 15, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), entitled "An
2 act to consolidate, editorially revise, and codify the public
3 welfare laws of the Commonwealth," in public assistance,
4 further providing for prohibited use of public assistance
5 funds.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Section 484 of the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31,
9 No.21), known as the Human Services Code, is amended to read:

10 Section 484. Prohibited Use of Public Assistance Funds.--It
11 shall be unlawful for any individual to purchase tobacco,
12 tobacco paraphernalia, liquor or alcohol with [a gift
13 certificate or a gift card which is in the form of] an
14 electronic benefits transfer card issued to convey public
15 assistance benefits administered by the [Department of Public
16 Welfare] department or a debit card issued to convey support
17 payment moneys.

18 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.