

**ACT 287**

**H.B. NO. 966**

**A Bill for an Act Relating to Credit Card Offenses.**

*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

**SECTION 1.** Section 708-800, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted and to read as follows:

““Encoding” means making, changing, altering, erasing, adding, creating, or manipulating a credit card number electronically, or magnetically, or both.”

SECTION 2. Chapter 708, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

**“§708- Fraudulent encoding of a credit card.** (1) A person commits the offense of fraudulent encoding of a credit card if, with the intent to defraud the issuer, or another person or organization providing money, goods, services or anything else of value, the person:

- (a) Intentionally changes, alters, erases, adds, creates, tampers with, or manipulates a credit card number by encoding credit card numbers onto the magnetic strip of the credit card;
  - (b) Knowingly uses, utters, or offers a credit card with changed, altered, erased, added, tampered with, or manipulated magnetically or electronically encoded credit numbers on the magnetic strip of a credit card for the purpose of obtaining money, goods, services, or anything else of value; or
  - (c) Knowingly sells, or distributes any credit card with changed, altered, erased, added, tampered with, or manipulated magnetically or electronically encoded credit card numbers on the magnetic strip of the credit card.
- (2) Fraudulent encoding of a credit card is a Class B felony.”

SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.<sup>1</sup>

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 21, 1993.)

**Note**

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.