

House Bill 567

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 10-1-393 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 unfair or deceptive practices in consumer transactions, so as to provide for rebates to be
3 mailed to consumers within a certain time frame; to provide that terms of rebate offers shall
4 be disclosed; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to provide an
5 effective date; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Code Section 10-1-393 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to unfair or
9 deceptive practices in consumer transactions, is amended by striking the word "or" at the end
10 of paragraph (32) of subsection (b), striking the period and inserting "; or" at the end of
11 paragraph (33) of subsection (b), and adding a new paragraph (34) to subsection (b) to read
12 as follows:

13 "(34) For any person, firm, partnership, association, or corporation to offer a rebate
14 without mailing such rebate to the consumer within 30 days of the postmark date of the
15 completed and submitted rebate form. Rebate forms shall include the terms of the rebate
16 and the expiration date, if applicable, conspicuously printed on the rebate form. As used
17 in this paragraph, the term 'rebate' means an offer to return part of a payment, serving as
18 a discount or reduction in the purchase price of the item or service."

19 **SECTION 2.**

20 This Act shall become effective on October 1, 2007, and shall apply to any rebate offered on
21 or after such date.

22 **SECTION 3.**

23 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.