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3 By Senator Scofield (N & P)
4 RFD: Local Legislation
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4 With Notice and Proof

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6 ENROLLED, An Act,

7 Relating to Marshall County; to authorize the
8 Sheriff of Marshall County to establish procedures to make
9 limited purchases using a credit or debit card, provided
10 compliance with required accountability and audit measures and
11 other procedures are followed.

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

13 Section 1. (a) This act shall apply only to Marshall
14 County.

15 (b) For purposes of this act, the following words
16 have the following meanings:

17 (1) CREDIT CARD. A line of credit issued by a
18 domestic lender or credit card bank.

19 (2) DEBIT CARD. A card issued by a bank in relation
20 to a checking or savings account held by the Marshall County
21 Sheriff's Office.

22 (c) To provide for convenience in making purchases
23 of tangible personal property or services approved by the
24 sheriff, the Sheriff of Marshall County may establish
25 procedures to make certain purchases from funds under the

1 control of the sheriff through use of a credit or debit card
2 issued to the Marshall County Sheriff's Office.

3 (d) The sheriff may adopt written policy and
4 procedures governing the use of credit or debit cards which,
5 at a minimum, include each of the following:

6 (1) A monetary limit on the amount of any individual
7 purchase which may be made with a credit or debit card.

8 (2) A monetary limit on the total monthly amount
9 that may be purchased with a credit or debit card taking into
10 consideration the monetary limit of the discretionary fund
11 used.

12 (3) Procedures to ensure that the sheriff or his or
13 her designee has sole access to any credit or debit card,
14 credit or debit card numbers, access codes, or security codes.

15 (4) Procedures to keep accurate records of all
16 purchases made with a credit or debit card which shall be
17 periodically reviewed during required audits.

18 (5) Procedures to ensure that all credit or debit
19 card bills are carefully reviewed by the sheriff each month to
20 make sure that no unauthorized charges appear on the bill.

21 (6) Procedures to ensure that all credit or debit
22 card bills are paid in full on a timely basis each month to
23 avoid service charges, late fees, or interest payments.

1 (e) The sheriff shall select the credit or debit
2 card provider or providers taking into consideration each of
3 the following:

4 (1) Whether the credit or debit card issuer requires
5 an annual fee for using the card.

6 (2) Whether the credit or debit card issuer offers
7 rewards or rebates based upon purchases made using the
8 account.

9 (3) What interest rates, service charges, finance
10 charges, or late fees will be assessed in the event a bill
11 from the credit or debit card issuer is paid late or the
12 balance is not paid in full.

13 (4) Whether penalties or fees will be assessed
14 against the sheriff in the event he or she decides to
15 terminate the credit or debit card.

16 (5) Any other consideration deemed relevant by the
17 sheriff.

18 (f) In the event the credit or debit card provides
19 rewards or rebates based upon the use of the card, any rewards
20 or rebates earned from the card or cards shall be deposited in
21 the Sheriff's Discretionary Fund of Marshall County.

22 Section 2. This act shall become effective
23 immediately following its passage and approval by the
24 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed
the Senate.

Patrick Harris,
Secretary.

House of Representatives
Passed: 24-FEB-22

By: Senator Scofield