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AN ACT

RELATING TO COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS; AMENDING THE CREDIT CARD

ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A MAXIMUM RATE OF CHANGE IN THE RATE OF

INTEREST CHARGED FOR THE USE OF A CREDIT CARD.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 56-4-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1971, Chapter 154, Section 1) is amended to read:

"56-4-1. SHORT TITLE.--[This act] Chapter 56, Article 4

NMSA 1978 may be cited as the "Credit Card Act"."

Section 2. A new section of the Credit Card Act is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] MAXIMUM RATE OF INCREASE IN RATE OF
INTEREST CHARGED--EXCEPTIONS.--The rate of interest charged by a
card issuer for the use of a credit card shall not be increased
more than once in any six-month period. For any six-month

period, the rate of interest charged by a card issuer for the use of a credit card shall not be more than two percentage points higher than the rate of interest charged during the preceding six-month period."

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