It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 6-13.1 of the General Laws entitled "Deceptive Trade Practices" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:


It shall be a deceptive trade practice in violation of this chapter for any retail establishment offering goods or services for sale to discriminate against a prospective customer by requiring the use of credit for purchase of goods or services. All retail establishments shall accept legal tender currency when offered as payment. Provided, the provisions of this section shall not apply to online purchases or sales made over the Internet.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.
EXPLANATION
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1 This act would require retail establishments to accept cash in payment for goods and services excluding online purchases.

2 This act would take effect upon passage.

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