

## CHAPTER 267

AN ACT concerning disclosure of certain coin redemption machine fees and supplementing P.L.1960, c.39 (C.56:8-1 et seq.).

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

C.56:8-201 Definitions relative to coin redemption machine fees.

1. As used in this act:

"Coin redemption machine" means a device that accepts, sorts, and counts coins deposited by a consumer and provides the consumer with a cash refund or refundable voucher.

"Operator" means any person, partnership, corporation or other organization that operates a coin redemption machine.

C.56:8-202 Notice of fee required.

2. No operator shall charge a fee to a consumer for the consumer's use of a coin redemption machine unless a notice is prominently displayed on the coin redemption machine disclosing to the consumer:

- a. If a fee will be imposed for providing the coin redemption service; and
- b. The amount of any fee.

C.56:8-203 Violations; penalties, unlawful practice.

3. An operator in violation of section 2 of this act shall be subject to a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 for a first offense, to be collected in a civil action by a summary proceeding under the "Penalty Enforcement Law of 1999," P.L.1999, c.274 (C.2A:58-10 et seq.). The Superior Court shall have jurisdiction of proceedings for the enforcement of the penalty provided by this section.

A second violation of section 2 of this act is an unlawful practice under P.L.1960, c.39 (C.56:8-1 et seq.), and for the purposes of this section shall be considered a first offense under P.L.1960, c.39 (C.56:8-1 et seq.).

A third or subsequent violation of section 2 of this act is an unlawful practice under P.L.1960, c.39 (C.56:8-1 et seq.), and for the purposes of this section shall be considered a subsequent offense under P.L.1960, c.39 (C.56:8-1 et seq.).

An action to recover a penalty under this act may not be maintained as a class action.

C.56:8-204 Rules, regulations.

4. The Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs shall adopt, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), any rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes of this act.

5. This act shall take effect on the first day of the fourth month next following the date of enactment.

Approved January 19, 2016.