(2nd reading) HB 3941 Guillen

SUBJECT: Repealing prohibition on credit card surcharge

COMMITTEE: Business and Industry — favorable, without amendment

VOTE: 9 ayes — C. Turner, Hefner, Cain, Crockett, Lambert, Ordaz Perez,

Patterson, Shine, S. Thompson

0 nays

WITNESSES: For — (*Registered, but did not testify*: Annie Spilman, NFIB; Darren

Whitehurst, Texas Automobile Dealers Association; Thomas Parkinson)

Against — None

BACKGROUND: Business and Commerce Code sec. 604A.0021 prohibits a person selling

goods or services from imposing a surcharge on a buyer who uses a credit card for an extension of credit instead of cash, a check, or a similar means

of payment.

DIGEST: HB 3941 would repeal the prohibition on a seller from imposing a

surcharge on a buyer who uses a credit card for an extension of credit instead of cash, a check, or similar means of payment. The bill would make conforming changes to statutes that referenced the prohibition.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2021.