

HB 198 -- Gift Certificates

Sponsor: Brandom

This bill prohibits the use of expiration dates earlier than five years after the date of issuance or post-purchase fees on gift certificates sold in Missouri. Any gift certificate issued on or after August 28, 2009, will not reduce in value and the holder cannot be penalized in any way for non-use or untimely redemption. Violations of the provisions of the bill will be considered unfair merchandising practices and subject to penalties.