

United States House of Representatives
Committee on Financial Services
Washington, D.C. 20515

September 12, 2012

The Honorable Harry Reid
Majority Leader
United States Senate
S 221-The Capitol
Washington, DC 20510


Dear Leader Reid:

The Senate has an opportunity to stem the tide of baseless, nuisance lawsuits that threaten consumers' access to automated teller machines (ATMs), especially in rural areas and locations that are prone to vandalism. By taking up and passing H.R. 4367, the Senate would help eliminate the requirement that ATM operators affix unnecessary and outmoded fee notices to their machines.

This bill is a model for what Congress should be doing: it is pro-consumer; it eliminates unnecessary red tape; it fixes a real problem; and it is bipartisan. The House of Representatives passed H.R. 4367 unanimously by a vote of 371-0 on July 9, 2012. Interests as diverse as convenience stores, community banks, credit unions, casinos and gas stations have expressed their strong support for the bill's passage. In fact, there is no meaningful opposition to this bill.

H.R. 4367 warrants the Senate's expeditious consideration as a stand-alone bill. I urge you to allow it to come up for a vote before the Senate recesses for the election.

Sincerely



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Chairman

cc: The Honorable Mitch McConnell
The Honorable Tim Johnson
The Honorable Richard Shelby
The Honorable Barney Frank