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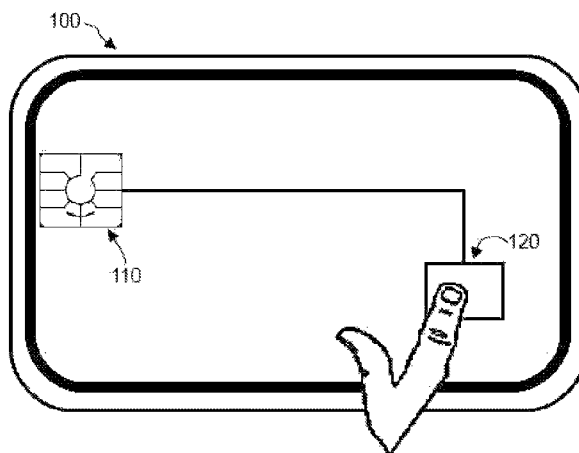


FIG.1

(57) **Abstract:** This invention relates to smart card systems, and more particularly to security and validation of smart card usage in smart card systems. Previously, plastic cards could transmit personal data without requiring the user to complete a physical test. This resulted in identity theft. Embodiments of the present invention use a smart card (100) that has a card access module (110) and a biometric module (120) wherein the biometric module verifies the identity of the user before the smart card transmits personal information.

