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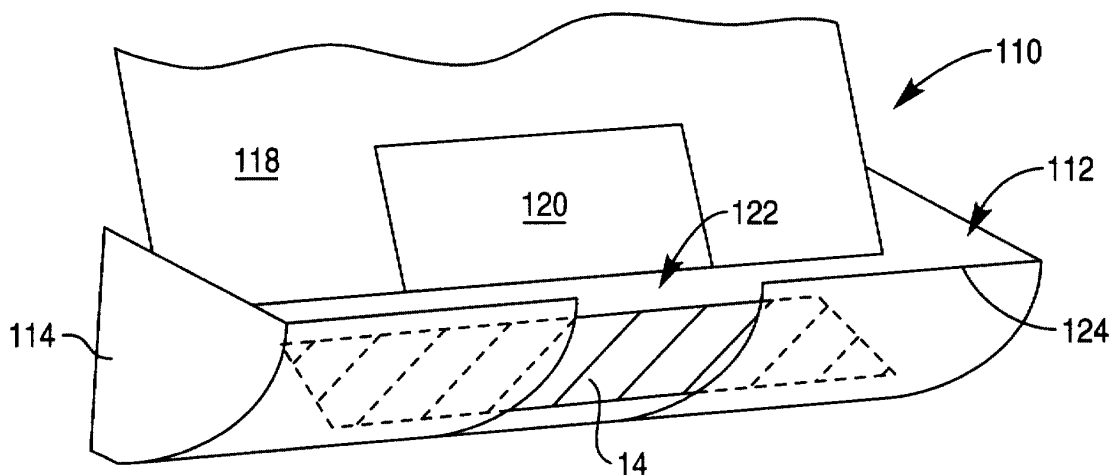
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(54) **Self-service terminal**

(57) An ATM (100) having a dispensing tray (110) is described. The dispensing tray (110) has a concave surface (116) for receiving bank notes (14) dispensed by the ATM (100). The tray has a slot (122) for improving access to the bank notes (14). The ATM (100) also has an optically transparent window (120) located in a front panel (118) for providing visual access to the bank notes

(14) being dispensed so that a user knows if notes (14) have been dispensed by the ATM (100). Any obstruction placed in the tray (110) will be readily observed by a user because of the concave surface (116) of the tray (110) and the slot (122) defined by the tray (110). Any obstruction placed behind the front panel (118) will be readily observed by a user through the window (120).

FIG. 3





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