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SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6669

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By Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce & Trade (originally sponsored by Senators Thibaudeau, Drew, Pelz, Smith and Kohl)

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1 AN ACT Relating to excessive charges for products and services 2 because of the customer's sex; and adding a new section to chapter 3 49.60 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 49.60 RCW 6 to read as follows:

7 (1) This act shall be known, and may be cited, as "the gender tax 8 repeal act of 1996."

9 (2) It is an unfair practice for any person to charge more for a 10 product or service because of a purchaser's sex.

(3) Nothing in subsection (2) of this section prohibits price differences based specifically upon the amount of time, difficulty, or cost of providing a product or service.

14 (4) This act does not alter or affect underwriting or rating 15 practices governed by Title 48 RCW.

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