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Sponsor(s): Senator Sutherland

Brief Description: Regulating the collection of broadcast copyright royalties.

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Requires copyright owners who request or demand payment of royalties from a proprietor for playing broadcast programming from radio or television stations in the proprietor's establishment to provide the proprietor a written list of information as designated by the act.

Prohibits a knowing misrepresentation of the copyright owner's rights.

Prohibits unreasonable demands for royalties.

Prohibits arbitration of any dispute outside the state of Washington.

Makes a violation of the act an unfair or deceptive act or practice in trade and commerce for the purpose of applying the consumer protection act.