
SENATE BILL 5076

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By Senators Haugen, Spanel, Oke, T. Sheldon, Gardner and Kohl-Welles
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1 AN ACT Relating to the use of credit or debit cards for ferry
2 fares or reservations; and adding a new section to chapter 47.60
3 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 47.60
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 The department may adopt necessary rules and procedures to
8 allow the use of credit and debit cards to make a reservation on
9 or pay the fare for international ferry routes. The department
10 may establish a convenience fee to be paid by the credit or debit
11 card user whenever a credit or debit card is chosen as the payment
12 method. The convenience fee must be sufficient to offset the
13 charges imposed on the department by the credit and debit card
14 companies. In no event may the use of credit or debit cards
15 authorized by this section create a loss of revenue to the state.

16 The use of a personal credit card does not rely upon the credit
17 of the state as prohibited by Article VIII, section 5 of the state
18 Constitution.

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