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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5281**

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**By** Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Roach, Kastama, Fairley, Rasmussen, Horn, Eide, Oke, Regala, Franklin, McCaslin, Brandland, Esser, McAuliffe and Shin)

READ FIRST TIME 02/20/03.

1 AN ACT Relating to jail booking fees; and amending RCW 70.48.390.

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

3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.48.390 and 1999 c 325 s 3 are each amended to read  
4 as follows:

5 A governing unit may require that each person who is booked at a  
6 city, county, or regional jail pay a fee (~~of ten dollars~~) based on  
7 and not to exceed the jail's actual booking costs to the sheriff's  
8 department of the county or police chief of the city in which the jail  
9 is located. The fee is payable immediately from any money then  
10 possessed by the person being booked, or any money deposited with the  
11 sheriff's department or city jail administration on the person's  
12 behalf. If the person has no funds at the time of booking or during  
13 the period of incarceration, the sheriff or police chief may notify the  
14 court in the county or city where the charges related to the booking  
15 are pending, and may request the assessment of the fee. Unless the  
16 person is held on other criminal matters, if the person is not charged,  
17 is acquitted, or if all charges are dismissed, the sheriff or police

1 chief shall return the fee to the person at the last known address  
2 listed in the booking records.

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