

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0076

Uniform statewide payment processing.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Brown, Andrew and Oakley
and Senator(s) Baldwin, Driskill, Landen,
Steinmetz and Wasserburger

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the administration of government;
2 amending requirements for statewide payment processor
3 services; requiring disclosure of fees; and providing for
4 an effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 9-4-217(h) is amended to read:

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10 **9-4-217. Uniform state accounting system; uniform**
11 **statewide payment processing.**

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13 (h) The department of enterprise technology services
14 shall contract with a payment processor for uniform
15 statewide payment processing services that each executive

1 ~~branch~~ agency ~~as defined by W.S. 9-2-1002(a)(i), including~~
2 ~~the game and fish department and the Wyoming department of~~
3 ~~transportation,~~ shall utilize, except as specifically
4 prohibited by law or as otherwise provided in this
5 subsection, to allow any tax, assessment, license, permit,
6 fee, fine, or other money owing to the state or collectible
7 by the state on behalf of another unit of government to be
8 paid by negotiable paper, or in payment of any bail deposit
9 or other trust deposit. The statewide payment processor
10 contract shall establish a uniform rate or uniform fee for
11 the costs of processing payment transactions for all
12 agencies. If the administrative head of a division within
13 ~~a department~~ an agency determines that it is not feasible
14 to utilize the statewide payment processor contract, the
15 administrative head shall request a waiver from the state
16 chief information officer. If the waiver is granted, the
17 ~~division~~ agency may, except as otherwise prohibited by law,
18 contract with a payment processor for the purposes
19 specified in this subsection and as reasonably limited by
20 the waiver. The University of Wyoming, Wyoming community
21 colleges and the judicial and legislative departments of
22 state government may, except as otherwise prohibited by
23 law, contract with a payment processor or utilize the

1 statewide payment processor contract for the purposes
2 specified in this subsection. ~~As used in this subsection,~~
3 ~~"negotiable paper" means money orders, paper arising from~~
4 ~~the use of a lender credit card as defined in W.S.~~
5 ~~40-14-140(a)(ix), checks and drafts, including, without~~
6 ~~limitation, sales drafts and checks and drafts signed by a~~
7 ~~holder of a lender credit card issued by a bank maintaining~~
8 ~~a revolving loan account as defined in W.S. 40-14-308, for~~
9 ~~lender credit card holders.~~ The acceptance of negotiable
10 paper by the state or any of its agencies under this
11 subsection shall be in accordance with and subject to the
12 same terms and conditions provided by W.S. 18-3-505. Any
13 fees assessed for processing a payment under this
14 subsection ~~may~~ shall be borne by the ~~agency or~~ person
15 tendering payment. Any fees borne by the person tendering
16 payment pursuant to this subsection ~~may~~ shall only be used
17 by ~~the state auditor or~~ the collecting agency ~~responsible~~
18 ~~for the collection of such fees~~ to pay the processing costs
19 of rendering the payment transaction. The collecting agency
20 shall clearly and conspicuously disclose any fees assessed
21 for processing payment transactions under this subsection
22 at the time the fees are collected, which shall include

1 disclosure on any website used by the agency to accept
2 payments. As used in this subsection:

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4 (i) "Agency" means as defined by W.S.
5 9-2-1002(a)(i);

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7 (ii) "Negotiable paper" means money orders,
8 paper arising from the use of a lender credit card as
9 defined in W.S. 40-14-140(a)(ix), checks and drafts,
10 including, without limitation, sales drafts and checks and
11 drafts signed by a holder of a lender credit card issued by
12 a bank maintaining a revolving loan account as defined in
13 W.S. 40-14-308, for lender credit card holders.

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15 **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon
16 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
17 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
18 Constitution.

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