

SENATE FILE NO. SF0019

E-portal system.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the uniform state accounting system;
2 authorizing the government on-line commission to contract
3 with a single credit card processor for state agencies
4 accepting credit card payment for transactions made under
5 the e-portal program; specifying how credit card
6 transaction fees may be assessed and paid; and providing
7 for an effective date.

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

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

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13 **9-4-217. Uniform state accounting system.**

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15 (h) Unless specifically prohibited by statute, any
16 legislative, judicial or executive branch agency as defined
17 by W.S. 9-2-1002(a)(i), including the University of

1 Wyoming, the game and fish department and the Wyoming
2 department of transportation, may contract with a credit
3 card processor and allow any tax, assessment, license,
4 permit, fee, fine, or other money owing to the state or
5 collectible by the state on behalf of another unit of
6 government to be paid by negotiable paper, or in payment of
7 any bail deposit or other trust deposit. For the purpose
8 of conducting transactions through the state's e-portal
9 program, the Wyoming on-line government commission is
10 authorized to contract for a single credit card processor
11 for use by all agencies participating in the e-portal
12 program. As used in this subsection, negotiable paper means
13 money orders, paper arising from the use of a lender credit
14 card as defined in W.S. 40-14-140(a)(ix), checks and
15 drafts, including, without limitation, sales drafts and
16 checks and drafts signed by a holder of a lender credit
17 card issued by a bank maintaining a revolving loan account
18 as defined in W.S. 40-14-308, for lender credit card
19 holders. The acceptance of negotiable paper by the state
20 or any of its agencies under this subsection shall be in
21 accordance with and subject to the same terms and
22 conditions provided by W.S. 18-3-505. Any fees assessed for
23 processing a credit card payment may be borne by the agency
24 or person tendering payment. The costs of credit card

1 transactions made through the state e-portal program may be
2 paid through legislative appropriation, by assessing a fee
3 to be paid by the person tendering payment, through
4 entering a compensating balance arrangement with the
5 financial institution processing the credit card
6 transactions or charged to agencies on a fair share pro-
7 rata basis. For any activity provided through the e-portal
8 program, where a fee or other charge is required as part of
9 the transaction and the fee or other charge is established
10 by statute or regulation, the agency is authorized to
11 increase the fee by an amount sufficient to pay for its
12 fair share cost of the credit card transaction fees should
13 the Wyoming on-line government commission charge agencies
14 on a fair share pro-rata basis for payment of the credit
15 card transaction fees.

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17 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2002.

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