

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect July 1, 1989.

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CHAPTER 100

[Senate Bill No. 5579]

**STATE AGENCIES—PAST DUE ACCOUNTS—REPORTING TO CREDIT
REPORTING AGENCIES**

AN ACT Relating to reporting past due accounts to credit reporting agencies; adding a new section to chapter 43.88 RCW; and creating a new section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 43.88 RCW to read as follows:

State agencies may report past due accounts receivable to credit reporting agencies whenever the agency determines that such reporting would be cost-effective and does not violate confidentiality or other legal requirements. Within thirty-five days after satisfaction of a debt reported to a credit reporting agency, the state agency reporting the debt shall notify the credit reporting agency that the debt has been satisfied.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The office of financial management shall examine the potential of devising a central debtor identification system containing the names of persons owing substantial amounts to the state, together with the amounts owed, and providing for the automatic identification of such persons prior to the making of any state payment to them. The examination shall include the estimated costs and benefits of such a system.

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