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By Representative Fitzgibbon

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1 AN ACT Relating to proof of payment for certain transportation  
2 fares; amending RCW 35.58.580 and 81.112.220; and prescribing  
3 penalties.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 35.58.580 and 2008 c 123 s 1 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7 (1) Persons traveling on public transportation operated by a  
8 metropolitan municipal corporation or a city-owned transit system shall  
9 pay the fare established by the metropolitan municipal corporation or  
10 the city-owned transit system and shall produce proof of payment in  
11 accordance with the terms of use established by the metropolitan  
12 municipal corporation or the city-owned transit system. Such persons  
13 shall produce proof of payment when requested by a person designated to  
14 monitor fare payment. The required manner of producing proof of  
15 payment specified in the terms of use established by the metropolitan  
16 municipal corporation or the city-owned transit system may include, but  
17 is not limited to, requiring a person using an electronic fare payment  
18 card to validate the card by presenting the card to an electronic card

1 reader before or upon entering a public transportation vehicle or a  
2 restricted fare paid area.

3 (2) The following constitute civil infractions punishable according  
4 to the schedule of fines and penalties established by a metropolitan  
5 municipal corporation or a city-owned transit system under RCW  
6 35.58.585:

7 (a) Failure to pay the required fare;

8 (b) Failure to (~~display~~) produce proof of payment in the manner  
9 required by the terms of use established by the metropolitan municipal  
10 corporation or the city-owned transit system including, but not limited  
11 to, the failure to produce a validated fare payment card when requested  
12 to do so by a person designated to monitor fare payment; and

13 (c) Failure to depart the bus or other mode of public  
14 transportation when requested to do so by a person designated to  
15 monitor fare payment.

16 **Sec. 2.** RCW 81.112.220 and 2009 c 279 s 6 are each amended to read  
17 as follows:

18 (1) Persons traveling on facilities operated by an authority shall  
19 pay the fare established by the authority and shall produce proof of  
20 payment in accordance with the terms of use established by the  
21 authority. Such persons shall produce proof of payment when requested  
22 by a person designated to monitor fare payment. The required manner of  
23 producing proof of payment specified in the terms of use established by  
24 the authority may include, but is not limited to, requiring a person  
25 using an electronic fare payment card to validate the card by  
26 presenting the card to an electronic card reader before or upon  
27 entering a public transportation vehicle or a restricted fare paid  
28 area.

29 (2) The following constitute civil infractions punishable according  
30 to the schedule of fines and penalties established by the authority  
31 under RCW 81.112.210(1):

32 (a) Failure to pay the required fare;

33 (b) Failure to (~~display~~) produce proof of payment in the manner  
34 required by the terms of use established by the authority including,  
35 but not limited to, the failure to produce a validated fare payment  
36 card when requested to do so by a person designated to monitor fare  
37 payment; and

1           (c) Failure to depart the facility when requested to do so by a  
2 person designated to monitor fare payment.

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