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HOUSE BILL 1785

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1 AN ACT Relating to authorizing de minimis use of state resources to  
2 provide information about programs that may be authorized payroll  
3 deductions; and amending RCW 42.52.160.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.52.160 and 1996 c 213 s 7 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7 (1) No state officer or state employee may employ or use any  
8 person, money, or property under the officer's or employee's official  
9 control or direction, or in his or her official custody, for the  
10 private benefit or gain of the officer, employee, or another.

11 (2) This section does not prohibit the use of public resources to  
12 benefit others as part of a state officer's or state employee's  
13 official duties.

14 (3) This section does not prohibit de minimis use of state  
15 facilities to provide employees with information about (a) medical,  
16 surgical, and hospital care; (b) life insurance or accident and health  
17 disability insurance; or (c) individual retirement accounts, by any  
18 person, firm, or corporation administering such program as part of  
19 authorized payroll deductions pursuant to RCW 41.04.020.

1        (4) The appropriate ethics boards may adopt rules providing  
2 exceptions to this section for occasional use of the state officer or  
3 state employee, of de minimis cost and value, if the activity does not  
4 result in interference with the proper performance of public duties.

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