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Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Gardner, Patterson, Costa, Shin, T. Sheldon, Eide and Jacobsen)

Brief Title: Allowing credit card payment of vehicle registration fees.

SB 6051-S - DIGEST

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Authorizes the department to adopt necessary rules and procedures to allow use of credit and debit cards for payment of fees and excise taxes to the department and its agents or subagents related to vehicle and vessel titling and registration. The department may establish a convenience fee to be paid by the credit or debit card user whenever a credit or debit card is chosen as the payment method. The fee must be sufficient to offset the charges imposed on the department by credit and debit card companies.

Declares that the use of a personal credit card does not rely upon the credit of the state as prohibited by Article VIII, section 5 of the state Constitution.