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1 AN ACT Relating to jail booking fees; and amending RCW 70.48.390.

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

3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.48.390 and 1999 c 325 s 3 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 A governing unit may require that each person who is booked at a
6 city, county, or regional jail pay a fee (~~of ten dollars~~) based on
7 the jail's actual booking costs to the sheriff's department of the
8 county or police chief of the city in which the jail is located. The
9 fee is payable immediately from any money then possessed by the person
10 being booked, or any money deposited with the sheriff's department or
11 city jail administration on the person's behalf. If the person has no
12 funds at the time of booking or during the period of incarceration, the
13 sheriff or police chief may notify the court in the county or city
14 where the charges related to the booking are pending, and may request
15 the assessment of the fee. Unless the person is held on other criminal
16 matters, if the person is not charged, is acquitted, or if all charges

1 are dismissed, the sheriff or police chief shall return the fee to the
2 person at the last known address listed in the booking records.

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