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1 AN ACT Relating to photo identification on electronic benefit cards
2 issued to recipients of public assistance; and amending RCW 74.08.580.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 74.08.580 and 2002 c 252 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) An electronic benefit card issued to or on behalf of a person
7 receiving public assistance must contain a photo identification of the
8 person authorized to use the card.

9 (2) Any person receiving public assistance is prohibited from using
10 electronic benefit cards or cash obtained with electronic benefit
11 cards:

12 (a) For the purpose of participating in any of the activities
13 authorized under chapter 9.46 RCW;

14 (b) For the purpose of parimutuel wagering authorized under chapter
15 67.16 RCW; or

16 (c) To purchase lottery tickets or shares authorized under chapter
17 67.70 RCW.

18 ((+2)) (3)(a) The department shall notify, in writing, all

1 recipients of electronic benefit cards that any violation of subsection
2 (~~(1)~~) (2) of this section could result in legal proceedings and
3 forfeiture of all cash public assistance.

4 (b) Whenever the department receives notice that a person has
5 violated subsection (~~(1)~~) (2) of this section, the department shall
6 notify the person in writing that the violation could result in legal
7 proceedings and forfeiture of all cash public assistance.

8 (c) The department shall assign a protective payee to the person
9 receiving public assistance who violates subsection (~~(1)~~) (2) of this
10 section.

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