



Local Government Committee

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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1529

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 1529 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Local Government Acceptance of Credit Cards
5 Act is amended by changing Section 15 as follows:

6 (50 ILCS 345/15)

7 Sec. 15. Local government credit card acceptance program.

8 (a) Any unit of local government and any community college
9 district that has the authority to accept the payment of funds
10 for any purpose is authorized, but not required, to accept
11 payment by credit card.

12 (a-5) Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory
13 Act of the 95th General Assembly, a county with a population of
14 more than 3,000,000 is required to accept property tax payments
15 by credit card. Nothing in this subsection shall require a
16 county with a population of more than 3,000,000 to accept late

1 payments or payments for delinquent charges by credit card.
2 This subsection is a limitation under subsection (i) of Section
3 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution on the concurrent
4 exercise by home rule units of powers and functions exercised
5 by the State.

6 (b) Except as provided in subsection (a-5), this ~~This~~ Act
7 shall be broadly construed to authorize, but not require,
8 acceptance of credit card payments by all units of local
9 government and community college districts.

10 (c) This Act authorizes the acceptance of credit card
11 payments for all types of authorized obligations.

12 (d) This Act does not limit the authority of clerks of
13 court to accept payment by credit card pursuant to the Clerks
14 of Court Act or the Unified Code of Corrections.

15 (e) A local governmental entity may not receive and retain,
16 directly or indirectly, any convenience fee, surcharge, or
17 other fee in excess of the amount paid in connection with the
18 credit card transaction. In addition, a financial institution
19 or service provider may not pay, refund, rebate, or return,
20 directly or indirectly, to a local governmental entity for
21 final retention any portion of a surcharge, convenience fee, or
22 other fee paid in connection with a credit card transaction.

23 (Source: P.A. 90-518, eff. 8-22-97.)

24 Section 10. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding
25 Section 8.31 as follows:

1 (30 ILCS 805/8.31 new)

2 Sec. 8.31. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8
3 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the
4 implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of
5 the 95th General Assembly."