



STATE OF WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
OFFICE OF FRAUD AND ACCOUNTABILITY
PO Box 45817 ■ Olympia WA 98504-5817

August 1, 2014




Re: Compliance with State Law RCW 74.08.580

Dear Store Owner,

In accordance with RCW 74.08.580(2), this letter serves as notification to you by the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) Office of Fraud and Accountability (OFA) of the requirements of RCW 74.08.580, Electronic Benefit Cards-Prohibited Uses.

Any establishment where persons under the age of eighteen are not permitted is considered a Prohibited Location. These businesses must disable the ability of ATM and Point of Sale (POS) machines located on their business premises from accepting the Washington State DSHS issued Qwest Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) cards. Marijuana Retail Licensees failing to adhere to these requirements are subject to possible suspension of their license by the Washington State Liquor Control Board (WSLCB) under WAC 314-55-515.

Please have your ATM and POS vendor(s) disable any terminals from accepting Washington State DSHS issued Qwest EBT cards by blocking Bank Identification Number (BIN) 

Any non-compliance will result in OFA referring your business to WSLCB for administrative action to ensure compliance with RCW 74.08.580, including but not limited to license suspension. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have. I can be reached at (360) 664-5836.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Troy Parks".

R. Troy Parks, Accountability Chief
Department of Social and Health Services
Office of Fraud and Accountability (OFA)

Enclosure: RCW 74.08.580