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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 98

5 By: Senator J. Cooper  
6 By: Representative Hawks  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING LAW  
10 TO ALLOW MUNICIPALITIES TO ACCEPT DEBIT CARD AND  
11 CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

15 TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MUNICIPAL  
16 ACCOUNTING LAW TO ALLOW MUNICIPALITIES TO  
17 ACCEPT DEBIT CARD AND CREDIT CARD  
18 PAYMENTS.  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 14, Chapter 59 is amended to add an  
24 additional section to read as follows:

25 14-59-119. Debit card and credit card payments.

26 (a) A municipality may accept a legal payment and any associated costs  
27 through a debit card or credit card in accordance with applicable state and  
28 federal law.

29 (b)(1) A municipality may enter into a contract with a credit card or  
30 debit card company and pay any fee normally charged by the card or debit card  
31 company for allowing the municipality to accept the credit card or debit card  
32 as payment as authorized under subsection (a) of this section.

33 (2) When a payment is made through a credit card or debit card,  
34 the municipality shall assess a transaction fee equal to the amount charged  
35 to the municipality by the credit card or debit card company.  
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