Good morning, FFLs!

It’s February 1, 2024, and SAFE is now officially required by RCW 9.41.1135(1) and RCW 43.43.580 to be used by all FFLs in Washington state.

Local law enforcement agencies will be notified today to no longer accept Firearm Transfer Application forms for processing handguns or semiautomatic rifles. Any checks in progress are able to be completed by the LEA.

The FBI will be notified today to deactivate the E-Check portal for all FFLs in our state. Any checks in progress will be completed by the FBI, but you will need to use the telephone contact option for results and/or to obtain previous submission data.

Today also marks the first day that invoices for the $18 background check fee will be assessed. For those of you who will be calling WSP Budget and Fiscal Services to pay by credit card, please wait until February 7 to make that call. As this is our first ‘live’ invoicing, we aren’t sure how long it takes for the data to be uploaded to the Accounts Receivable system used by WSP, and wouldn’t want you to make the call only to be told you couldn’t complete the transaction.

You may access the invoice by clicking ‘Manage Invoices’ on the left side of your screen:

Thank you,

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