OLR Bill Analysis sHB 6891

## AN ACT CONCERNING THE ELECTRONIC PAYMENT OF MUNICIPAL TAXES.

## SUMMARY

Under existing law, municipalities may allow taxpayers to pay tax bills (including penalties, interest, and fees) using credit cards. This bill expands the allowable payment methods to include charge cards, debit cards, and electronic payment services (e.g., PayPal). It correspondingly extends to these payment methods the conditions that already apply to credit cards under existing law. It (1) allows the municipality to set conditions on their use; (2) allows the municipality to charge a service fee for using these payment methods, up to the service fee amount charged by the servicer or card issuer; and (3) specifies that any debts incurred for using these payment methods are not enforceable through municipal tax liens.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2023

## **COMMITTEE ACTION**

Planning and Development Committee

Joint Favorable Yea 21 Nay 0 (03/20/2023)