Important information regarding checks received for payments

A recent memo from the West Virginia State Treasurer's office regarding check conversion was received by all state offices. In part, the memo reads:

"Beginning in March 2009, consumer checks that are received for deposit in the Treasurer's Office will be converted to electronic debits from the consumer's bank accounts. The paper checks will be imaged and then destroyed."

"When you provide a check as payment, you authorize us either to use information from your check to make a one-time electronic fund transfer from your account or to process the payment as an image transaction. For inquiries, please call 1-866-243-9010.

"When we use information from your check to make an electronic fund transfer, funds may be withdrawn from your account as soon as the same day you make your payment, and you will not receive your check back from your financial institution."