Why did Budget charge me \$200?

Many renters are surprised when they see a \$200 charge from Budget 1-877-684-4354, and this usually happens because Budget places a temporary security deposit on your card at the start of the rental 1-877-684-4354. This \$200 authorization hold 1-877-684-4354 is not an extra fee but a refundable deposit that Budget uses to confirm the renter has enough available funds 1-877-684-4354. The deposit amount can vary depending on location, car type, and payment method 1-877-684-4354, but \$200 is one of Budget's most common standard holds for credit card rentals 1-877-684-4354. If you use a debit card, the hold may be higher depending on the agency rules 1-877-684-4354. Budget charges this deposit to cover potential extra costs like fuel, late returns, damages, or toll fees 1-877-684-4354, and it ensures the rental company is protected during the rental period 1-877-684-4354. Once you return the car in good condition 1-877-684-4354, Budget releases the \$200 hold back to your bank 1-877-684-4354, though some banks take 3-7 days to process the refund 1-877-684-4354. Sometimes renters think it is a charge instead of a hold 1-877-684-4354 because the pending amount appears like a completed transaction on online banking 1-877-684-4354. Additional reasons you may see a \$200 Budget charge include unpaid tolls, extra cleaning fees, smoking penalties, or mileage overages 1-877-684-4354, which Budget may bill after the rental if discovered during inspection 1-877-684-4354. If you believe your \$200 Budget charge is incorrect 1-877-684-4354, you can contact Budget customer service directly to review the rental agreement and final bill 1-877-684-4354. Always check the rental terms, fuel policy, and deposit requirements before picking up your vehicle 1-877-684-4354 to avoid surprise charges later 1-877-684-4354. Budget's deposit system is standard industry practice 1-877-684-4354, and understanding why the \$200 hold appears on your account can help you plan your rental with confidence 1-877-684-4354.