## SENATE BILL NO. 360-SENATOR OHRENSCHALL

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JOINT SPONSORS: ASSEMBLYWOMEN BACKUS; AND COHEN

# Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Provides for the licensure and regulation of persons engaged in digital financial asset business activity. (BDR 59-887)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets for its material is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to digital financial assets; providing for the licensure and regulation of persons engaged in digital financial asset business activity; setting forth certain requirements concerning the operations of a person who is licensed to engage in digital financial asset business activity; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

### Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Sections 2-56 of this bill set forth the Digital Financial Asset Business Activity Law, which, in general, requires persons engaged in certain business activity involving digital financial assets to obtain a license from the Division of Financial Institutions of the Department of Business and Industry.

12345678 Section 9 of this bill defines "digital financial asset business activity" to mean, in general: (1) exchanging, transferring or storing digital financial assets or engaging in digital financial asset administration; (2) holding electronic precious metals or electronic certificates representing interests in such metals on behalf of 9 another person or issuing shares or electronic certificates representing interests in 10 precious metals; or (3) exchanging digital representations of value used within 11 certain online games for a digital financial asset or legal tender or bank credit 12 13 offered by or on behalf of the publisher of the game. Section 25 of this bill provides that the provisions of this bill apply, with certain exceptions, to a person who 14 engages in digital financial asset business activity with or on behalf of a resident of 15 this State.

16 Section 26 of this bill prohibits a person from engaging in digital financial asset 17 business activity unless the person has obtained a license from the Division or is





18 exempt from licensure. Section 27 of this bill sets forth the application 19 requirements and procedures for a person to obtain a license to conduct digital 20 financial asset business activity. Section 28 of this bill authorizes the Division to 21 22 23 24 issue a conditional license to an applicant who holds a license to engage in virtualcurrency business activity in the State of New York under certain circumstances. Section 29 of this bill requires an applicant to: (1) deposit with the Division and maintain while licensed a surety bond; or (2) establish and maintain while licensed 25 a trust account. Section 29 also requires an applicant to submit evidence of and 26 27 28 29 30 maintain while licensed a minimum amount of capital, as determined by the Division. Section 30 of this bill authorizes an applicant whose application is denied to appeal the denial. Section 31 of this bill sets forth requirements for renewing a license to conduct digital financial asset business activity. Section 32 of this bill provides that a license is not transferable or assignable. Section 33 of this bill 31 authorizes the Division to adopt regulations to implement the provisions of this bill. 32 33 Section 34 of this bill: (1) requires the Division to provide certain guidance concerning licensure upon request; and (2) authorizes the Division to issue advisory 34 opinions and other written guidance. Section 35 of this bill authorizes the Division 35 36 to conduct certain examinations of a licensee.

Section 36 of this bill requires a licensee to maintain certain records related to the digital financial asset business activity of the licensee. Section 37 of this bill authorizes the Division to share certain information relating to a licensee with certain state or federal regulatory bodies. Sections 38 and 57 of this bill provide that certain records relating to the licensure of a person engaged in digital financial asset business activity are not public records.

42 Section 39 of this bill requires a licensee to file with the Division a report of a 43 change in: (1) the information in an application; (2) the conduct of the digital 44 financial asset business activity of a licensee; and (3) an executive officer, 45 responsible individual or person in control of the licensee. Section 40 of this bill 46 requires a person who intends to take control of a licensee to obtain the approval of 47 the Division and sets forth application procedures and requirements to obtain such 48 approval. Section 41 of this bill sets forth similar requirements for a proposed 49 merger or consolidation of a licensee with another person.

50 Sections 42-48 of this bill authorize the Division to take certain enforcement 51 actions against a person for certain violations of the provisions of this bill, which 52 may include, among other actions, the suspension or revocation of a license and the 53 imposition of civil penalties. Section 49 of this bill requires a licensee to make 54 certain disclosures to a person who uses its products or services.

55 Section 50 of this bill requires a licensee that has control of a digital financial 56 asset for one or more persons to maintain an amount of each type of digital 57 financial asset sufficient to satisfy the aggregate entitlements of the persons to the 58 type of digital financial asset. Section 50 authorizes a licensee to fulfill this 59 requirement by entering into certain agreements with each resident for whom the 60 licensee has control of a digital financial asset. Sections 51 and 52 of this bill 61 impose certain requirements on licensees with respect to the exchange of a digital 62 financial asset. Section 53 of this bill requires a licensee to establish a toll-free 63 telephone line through which a resident may contact the licensee. Section 54 of this 64 bill prohibits a licensee from taking certain actions involving stablecoins, unless the 65 issuer of the stablecoin meets certain requirements. Sections 55 and 56 of this bill 66 require an applicant to create, and maintain during licensure, certain policies and 67 procedures.





### THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Title 59 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new chapter to consist of the provisions set forth as 2 sections 2 to 56, inclusive, of this act. 3

4 Sec. 2. This chapter may be cited as the Digital Financial 5 Asset Business Activity Law.

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise 6 7 requires, the words and terms defined in sections 4 to 24, 8 inclusive, of this act have the meanings ascribed to them in those 9 sections.

10 Sec. 4. "Applicant" means a person that applies for a license 11 under this chapter.

Sec. 5. "Bank" means a federally chartered or state-12 chartered depository institution or holder of a charter granted by 13 14 the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency to a person engaged 15 in the business of banking other than deposit-taking. The term 16 does not include:

17 1. An industrial loan company, state-chartered trust company or a limited-purpose trust company, unless the company is 18 incorporated as a bank or the Division has authorized the 19 20 company to engage in digital financial asset business activity; or

2. A trust company or limited-purpose trust company 21 chartered by a state with which this State does not have a 22 23 reciprocity agreement governing trust-company activities. 24

Sec. 6. "Control" means:

25 When used in reference to a transaction or relationship 1. 26 involving a digital financial asset, the power to execute 27 unilaterally or prevent indefinitely a digital financial asset 28 transaction: and

29 2. When used in reference to a person, the direct or indirect 30 power to direct the management, operations or policies of the person through legal or beneficial ownership of voting power in 31 32 the person or under a contract, arrangement or understanding.

33 Sec. 7. "Digital financial asset":

1. Means a digital representation of value that:

35 (a) Is used as a medium of exchange, unit of account or store 36 of value; and

37 (b) Is not legal tender, whether or not denominated in legal tender. 38

39 2. Does not include:

(a) A transaction in which a merchant grants, as part of an 40 41 affinity or rewards program, value that cannot be taken from or





exchanged with the merchant for legal tender, bank credit or a
 digital financial asset; or

3 (b) A digital representation of value issued by or on behalf of a 4 publisher and used solely within an online game, game platform 5 or family of games sold by the same publisher or offered on the 6 same game platform.

7 Sec. 8. "Digital financial asset administration" means 8 issuing a digital financial asset with the authority to redeem the 9 digital financial asset for legal tender, bank credit or another 10 digital financial asset.

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Sec. 9. "Digital financial asset business activity" means:

12 1. Exchanging, transferring or storing a digital financial 13 asset or engaging in digital financial asset administration, 14 whether directly or through an agreement with a digital financial 15 asset control services vendor;

16 2. Holding electronic precious metals or electronic 17 certificates representing interests in precious metals on behalf of 18 another person or issuing shares or electronic certificates 19 representing interests in precious metals; or

20 3. Exchanging one or more digital representations of value 21 used within one or more online games, game platforms or family 22 of games for:

(a) A digital financial asset offered by or on behalf of the same
 publisher from which the original digital representation of value
 was received; or

(b) Legal tender or bank credit outside the online game, game
platform or family of games offered by or on behalf of the same
publisher from which the original digital representation of value
was received.

30 Sec. 10. "Digital financial asset control services vendor" 31 means a person that has control of a digital financial asset solely 32 under an agreement with a person that, on behalf of another 33 person, assumes control of the digital financial asset.

34 Sec. 11. "Division" means the Division of Financial 35 Institutions of the Department of Business and Industry.

36 Sec. 12. "Exchange," when used as a verb, means to assume 37 control of a digital financial asset from or on behalf of a resident, 38 at least momentarily, to sell, trade or convert:

**1.** A digital financial asset for legal tender, bank credit or one or more forms of digital financial assets; or

41 2. Legal tender or bank credit for one or more forms of 42 digital financial assets.

43 Sec. 13. "Executive officer" means a natural person who is a 44 director, officer, manager, managing member, partner or trustee 45 of a person that is not a natural person.





1 Sec. 14. "Insolvent" means:

2 1. Having generally ceased to pay debts in the ordinary 3 course of business other than as a result of a bona fide dispute;

2. Being unable to pay debts as they become due; or

5 3. Being insolvent within the meaning of federal bankruptcy 6 law.

7 Sec. 15. "Legal tender" means a medium of exchange or 8 unit of value, including the coin or paper money of the United 9 States, issued by the United States or by another government.

10 Sec. 16. "Licensee" means a person licensed or conditionally 11 licensed under this chapter.

12 Sec. 17. "Record" means information that is inscribed on a 13 tangible medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium 14 and is retrievable in perceivable form.

15 Sec. 18. "*Resident*":

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16 *1. Means a person who:* 

17 (a) Is domiciled in this State;

18 (b) Is physically located in this State for more than 183 days of 19 the previous 365 days; or

20 (c) Has a place of business in this State; and

21 2. Includes a legal representative of a person that satisfies 22 subsection 1.

23 Sec. 19. "Responsible individual" means a natural person 24 who has direct control over, or significant management, policy 25 and decision-making authority with respect to, a licensee's digital 26 financial asset business activity in this State.

27 Sec. 20. "Sign" means, with present intent to authenticate or 28 adopt a record:

29 1. To execute or adopt a tangible symbol; or

30 2. To attach to or logically associate with the record an 31 electronic symbol, sound or process.

32 Sec. 21. "State" means a state of the United States, the 33 District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin 34 Islands or any territory or insular possession subject to the 35 jurisdiction of the United States.

36 Sec. 22. "Store," except as used in the phrase "store of 37 value," means to maintain control of a digital financial asset on 38 behalf of a resident by a person other than the resident. The terms 39 "storage" and "storing" have corresponding meanings.

40 Sec. 23. "Transfer" means to assume control of a digital 41 financial asset from or on behalf of a resident and to:

42 1. Credit the digital financial asset to the account of another 43 person;

44 2. Move the digital financial asset from one account of a 45 resident to another account of the same resident; or





1 3. Relinquish control of a digital financial asset to another 2 person.

3 Sec. 24. "U.S. Dollar equivalent of digital financial assets" 4 means the equivalent value of a particular digital financial asset 5 in United States dollars shown on a digital financial asset 6 exchange based in the United States for a particular date or period 7 specified in this chapter.

8 Sec. 25. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, 9 this chapter governs the digital financial asset business activity of 10 a person, wherever located, that engages in or holds itself out as 11 engaging in the activity with or on behalf of a resident.

12 This chapter does not apply to the exchange, transfer or 2. 13 storage of a digital financial asset or to digital financial asset administration to the extent the application of this chapter 14 conflicts with the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 15 16 1693 et seq., as amended, and to the extent the Securities 17 Exchange Act of 1934, 15 U.S.C. §§ 78a et seq., as amended, the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. §§ 1 et seq., as amended, or 18 chapter 90 of NRS govern the activity. This chapter does not apply 19 20 to activity by:

(a) The United States, a state, political subdivision of a state,
 agency or instrumentality of federal, state or local government, or
 a foreign government or a subdivision, department, agency or
 instrumentality of a foreign government;

25 (b) A bank;

(c) A person whose participation in a payment system is limited
to providing processing, clearing or performing settlement services
solely for transactions between or among persons that are exempt
from the licensing requirements of this chapter;

30 (d) A person engaged in the business of dealing in foreign
31 exchange to the extent the person's activity meets the definition in
32 31 C.F.R. § 1010.605(f)(1)(iv), as amended;

33 (e) A person that:

(1) Contributes only connectivity software or computing
power to securing a network that records transactions involving
digital financial assets, or to a protocol governing transfer of the
digital representation of value;

(2) Provides only data storage or security services for a
business engaged in digital financial asset business activity and
does not otherwise engage in digital financial asset business
activity on behalf of another person; or

42 (3) Provides only to a person otherwise exempt from this 43 chapter a digital financial asset as one or more enterprise 44 solutions used solely among each other and has no agreement or





1 relationship with a resident that is an end-user of a digital 2 financial asset;

3 (f) A person using a digital financial asset, including, without 4 limitation, creating, investing, buying or selling or obtaining a 5 digital financial asset as payment for the purchase or sale of goods 6 or services, solely:

7 8 9 (1) On its own behalf;

(2) For personal, family or household purposes; or

(3) For academic purposes;

10 (g) A person whose digital financial asset business activity 11 with or on behalf of residents is reasonably expected to be valued, 12 in the aggregate, on an annual basis at \$50,000 or less, measured 13 by the U.S. Dollar equivalent of digital financial assets;

14 (h) An attorney to the extent of providing escrow services to a 15 resident;

(i) A title insurance company to the extent of providing escrow
 services to a resident;

18 (j) A securities intermediary, as defined in NRS 104.8102, or a 19 commodity intermediary, as defined in NRS 104.9102, that:

20 (1) Does not engage in the ordinary course of business in 21 digital financial asset business activity with or on behalf of a 22 resident in addition to maintaining securities accounts or 23 commodities accounts and is regulated as a securities intermediary 24 or commodity intermediary under federal law, law of this State 25 other than this chapter or law of another state; and

26 (2) Affords a resident protections comparable to those set 27 forth in section 50 of this act;

(k) A secured creditor under NRS 104.9101 to 104.9717,
inclusive, or creditor with a judicial lien or lien arising by
operation of law on collateral that is a digital financial asset, if the
digital financial asset business activity of the creditor is limited to
enforcement of the security interest in compliance with NRS
104.9101 to 104.9717, inclusive, or of the lien in compliance with
the law applicable to the lien;

35 (l) A digital financial asset control services vendor; or

36 (m) A person that:

37 (1) Does not receive compensation either directly or 38 indirectly for:

39 (I) Providing digital financial asset products or services; 40 or

41 (II) Conducting digital financial asset business activity; 42 or

43 (2) Is engaged in testing products or services with the 44 person's own funds.





1 Sec. 26. A person shall not engage in digital financial asset 2 business activity, or hold itself out as being able to engage in 3 digital financial asset business activity, with or on behalf of a 4 resident unless the person is:

5 1. Licensed in this State by the Division under section 27 or 6 28 of this act; or

7 2. Exempt from licensure under this chapter by subsection 2 8 of section 25 of this act.

9 Sec. 27. 1. An application for a license under this chapter:

10 (a) Must be made in a form and medium prescribed by the 11 Division; and

12 (b) Must provide the following information relevant to the 13 applicant's proposed digital financial asset business activity:

14 (1) The legal name of the applicant, each current or 15 proposed business United States Postal Service address of the 16 applicant and any fictitious or trade name the applicant uses or 17 plans to use in conducting its digital financial asset business 18 activity with or on behalf of a resident;

19 (2) The legal name, any former or fictitious name and the 20 residential and business United States Postal Service address of 21 each executive officer and responsible individual of the applicant, 22 and each person that has control of the applicant;

(3) A description of the current and former business of the
applicant for the 5 years before the application is submitted or, if
the business has operated for less than 5 years, for the time the
business has operated, including its products and services,
associated Internet website addresses and social media pages,
principal place of business, projected user base and specific
marketing targets;

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(4) A list of:

(I) Each money-service or money-transmitter license the
 applicant holds in another state;

(II) The date each license expires; and

(III) Any license revocation, license suspension or other
 disciplinary action taken against the licensee in another state and
 any license applications rejected by another state;

37 (5) A list of any criminal conviction, deferred prosecution
 38 agreement and pending criminal proceeding in any jurisdiction
 39 against:

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 (I) The applicant;

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(II) Each executive officer of the applicant;

(III) Each responsible individual of the applicant;

43 (IV) Each person that has control over the applicant; 44 and

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(V) Each person over which the applicant has control;





(6) A list of any litigation, arbitration or administrative 1 2 proceeding in any jurisdiction in which the applicant, or an 3 executive officer or a responsible individual of the applicant, has been a party for the 10 years before the application is submitted, 4 5 determined to be material in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and, to the extent the applicant would be 6 7 required to disclose the litigation, arbitration or administrative 8 proceeding in the applicant's audited financial statements, reports 9 to equity owners and similar statements or reports;

10 (7) A list of any bankruptcy or receivership proceeding in any jurisdiction for the 10 years before the application is 11 12 submitted in which any of the following was a debtor: (I) The applicant;

(II) An executive officer of the applicant;

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(III) A responsible individual of the applicant; (IV) A person that has control over the applicant; and

(V) Any person over which the applicant has control;

17 18 (8) The name and United States Postal Service address of each bank in which the applicant plans to deposit funds obtained 19 20 by its digital financial asset business activity;

21 (9) The source of funds and credit to be used by the 22 applicant to conduct digital financial asset business activity with 23 or on behalf of a resident and documentation demonstrating that 24 the applicant has the capital required by section 29 of this act;

25 (10) The United States Postal Service address and the 26 electronic mail address to which communications from the 27 Division may be sent:

28 (11) The name, United States Postal Service address and 29 electronic mail address of the registered agent of the applicant in 30 this State:

(12) A copy of the certificate, or a detailed summary 31 32 acceptable to the Division, of coverage for each liability, casualty, 33 business-interruption or cvber-security policy insurance maintained by the applicant for itself, an executive officer or 34 responsible individual of the applicant, or the applicant's users; 35

(13) If applicable, the date on which and the state where 36 37 the applicant is formed and a copy of a current certificate of good 38 standing issued by that state:

(14) If a person has control of the applicant and the 39 person's equity interests are publicly traded in the United States, a 40 copy of the audited financial statement of the person for the most 41 42 recent fiscal year or most recent report of the person filed under 43 section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 15 U.S.C. § 44 78m, as amended;





1 (15) If a person has control of the applicant and the 2 person's equity interests are publicly traded outside the United 3 States, a copy of the audited financial statement of the person for 4 the most recent fiscal year of the person or a copy of the most 5 recent documentation similar to that required in subparagraph 6 (14) filed with the foreign regulator in the domicile of the person;

7 (16) If the applicant is a partnership or a member-managed 8 limited-liability company, the names and United States Postal 9 Service addresses of the general partners or members, as 10 applicable;

11 (17) If the applicant is required to register with the 12 Financial Crimes Enforcement Network of the United States 13 Department of the Treasury as a money-service business, evidence 14 of the registration;

15 (18) A set of fingerprints for each executive officer and 16 responsible individual of the applicant;

(19) If available, for each executive officer and responsible
individual of the applicant, for the 10 years before the application
is submitted:

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(I) Employment history; and

21 (II) History of any investigation of the executive officer 22 or responsible individual or legal proceeding to which the 23 executive officer or responsible individual was a party;

(20) The plans through which the applicant will meet its
 obligations under sections 55 and 56 of this act; and

26 (21) Other information the Division reasonably requires by 27 regulation.

28 **2.** On receipt of a completed application:

(a) The Division shall investigate:

30 (1) The financial condition and responsibility of the 31 applicant;

(2) The relevant financial and business experience,
 character and general fitness of the applicant; and

34 (3) The competence, experience, character and general
35 fitness of each executive officer, each responsible individual and
36 any person that has control of the applicant; and

(b) The Division may conduct an investigation of the business
premises of an applicant.

39 3. After completing the investigation required by subsection 40 2, the Division shall send the applicant notice of its decision to 41 approve, conditionally approve or deny the application. If the 42 Division does not receive notice from the applicant that the 43 applicant accepts conditions specified by the Division within 31 44 days following the Division's notice of the conditions, the 45 application is deemed withdrawn.





A license takes effect on the later of: 1 4. 2 (a) The date on which the Division issues the license: or (b) The date the licensee provides the security required by 3 4 section 29 of this act. 5 Sec. 28. 1. The Division may issue a conditional license to 6 an applicant who holds a license to engage in virtual-currency 7 business activity in the State of New York pursuant to Part 200 of 8 Title 23 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations if: (a) The license was issued not later than January 1, 2023; and 9 10 (b) The applicant complies with the requirements of this 11 chapter. 12 2. A conditional license issued pursuant to subsection 1 13 expires upon: (a) The issuance of an unconditional license to the applicant: 14 15 (b) The denial of the application of the applicant for licensure; 16 or 17 (c) The revocation of the license held by the applicant pursuant to Part 200 of Title 23 of the New York Codes, Rules and 18 19 **Regulations**, 20 whichever occurs first. 21 Sec. 29. 1. Before a license is issued under this chapter: 22 (a) An applicant must deposit with the Division, and thereafter 23 maintain while licensed, a surety bond in a form and amount 24 determined by the Division for the protection of residents that 25 engage in digital financial asset business activity with the licensee; 26 (b) In lieu of a surety bond required pursuant to paragraph (a), an applicant may establish, and maintain while licensed, a 27 28 trust account in a bank or trust company in this State approved by 29 the Division in an amount determined by the Division for the 30 protection of residents that engage in digital financial asset business activity with the licensee: 31 32 (c) Security deposited under this section must be payable to 33 this State for the benefit of a claim against the licensee on account of the licensee's digital financial asset business activity with or on 34 35 behalf of a resident; (d) Security deposited under this section must cover claims for 36 the period the Division specifies by regulation and for an 37 additional period the Division specifies after the licensee ceases to 38 engage in digital financial asset business activity with or on behalf 39 40 of a resident; (e) For good cause, the Division may require the licensee to 41

42 increase the amount of security deposited under this section, and
43 the licensee shall deposit the additional security not later than 15
44 days after the licensee receives notice in a record of the required
45 increase;





1 (f) For good cause, the Division may permit a licensee to 2 substitute or deposit an alternate form of security satisfactory to 3 the Division if the licensee at all times complies with this section;

4 (g) A claimant does not have a direct right to recover against 5 security deposited under this section; and

6 (h) Only the Division may recover against the security, and the 7 Division may retain the recovery for not longer than 5 years and 8 may process claims and distribute recoveries to claimants in 9 accordance with chapter 671 of NRS.

10 2. In addition to the security required by subsection 1, a licensee, at the time of application for a license under this chapter, 11 12 shall submit to the Division evidence of and at all times maintain 13 capital in an amount and form as the Division determines is 14 sufficient to ensure the financial integrity of the licensee and its 15 ongoing operations based on an assessment of the specific risks 16 applicable to the licensee. In determining the amount of capital 17 that a licensee is required to maintain pursuant to this subsection, 18 the Division may consider, without limitation:

19 (a) The composition of the total assets of the licensee, 20 including, without limitation, the position, size, liquidity, risk 21 exposure and price volatility of each type of asset;

22 (b) The composition of the total liabilities of the licensee, 23 including the size and timing of repayment of each type of 24 liability;

(c) The actual and excepted volume of the digital financial
 asset business activity of the licensee;

27 (d) The amount of leverage employed by the licensee;

28 (e) The liquidity position of the licensee;

29 (f) The financial protection provided by the securities 30 deposited pursuant to subsection 1;

(g) The types of entities to be serviced by the licensee;

32 (h) The types of products or services to be offered by the 33 licensee; and

(i) Arrangements adopted by the licensee for the protection of
 its customers in the event of that the licensee becomes insolvent.

Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, the capital 36 37 required by subsection 2 must be held, in proportions determined by the Division, in the form of cash, digital financial assets or 38 highly rated and highly liquid investments or securities. The value 39 40 of any digital financial asset held for the purposes of satisfying the requirements of subsection 2 must be measured by the average 41 42 value of the digital financial asset in U.S. dollar equivalent of digital financial assets over the immediately preceding 6 months. 43

44 **4.** Any digital financial asset over which a licensee has 45 control for a resident entitled to the protections of section 50 of





this act does not constitute capital for the purposes of satisfying
 the requirements of subsection 2.

5. For good cause, the Division may require a licensee to increase the capital required to be maintained pursuant to subsection 2. The licensee shall submit to the Division evidence that it has the additional capital not later than 15 days after the licensee receives notice in a record of the required increase.

8 Sec. 30. 1. Absent good cause, the Division shall issue a 9 license to an applicant if the applicant complies with this chapter.

10 2. An applicant may, pursuant to chapter 233B of NRS, 11 appeal a denial of its application under section 27 of this act not 12 later than 30 days after the Division notifies the applicant of the 13 denial.

14 Sec. 31. 1. Subject to subsection 7, not later than 15 days 15 before the anniversary date of issuance of its license under this 16 chapter, a licensee may apply for renewal of the license by 17 submitting to the Division a renewal report under subsection 2.

18 2. A renewal report required by subsection 1 must be 19 submitted in a form and medium prescribed by the Division. The 20 report must contain:

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(a) A copy of the licensee's most recent:

22 (1) Reviewed annual financial statement if the licensee's 23 digital financial asset business activity in this State was \$2,000,000 24 or less for the fiscal year ending before the anniversary date of 25 issuance of its license under this chapter; or

26 (2) Audited annual financial statement if the licensee's 27 digital financial asset business activity in this State amounted to 28 more than \$2,000,000 for the fiscal year ending before the 29 anniversary date;

30 (b) If a person other than a natural person has control of the
31 licensee, a copy of the person's most recent:

32 (1) Reviewed annual financial statement if the person's 33 gross revenue was \$2,000,000 or less in the previous fiscal year, 34 measured as of the anniversary date of issuance of its license 35 under this chapter; or

(2) Audited consolidated annual financial statement if the
person's gross revenue was more than \$2,000,000 in the previous
fiscal year, measured as of the anniversary date of issuance of its
license under this chapter;

40 (c) A description of any:

41 (1) Material change in the financial condition of the 42 licensee;

43 (2) Material litigation involving the licensee or an executive
 44 officer or responsible individual of the licensee;





(3) Federal or state investigation involving the licensee; 1 2 and 3 (4) Data security breach involving the licensee; (d) Information or records required by section 39 of this act 4 5 the licensee has not reported to the Division; 6 (e) The number of digital financial asset business activity 7 transactions with or on behalf of residents for the period since, 8 subject to subsection 7, the later of the date the license was issued or the date the last renewal report was submitted; 9 10 (f) **The:** 11 (1) Amount of U.S. Dollar equivalent of digital financial assets in the control of the licensee at, subject to subsection 7, the 12 13 end of the last month that ends not later than 30 days before the 14 date of the renewal report; and 15 (2) Total number of residents for whom the licensee had control of U.S. Dollar equivalent of digital financial assets on that 16 17 date; 18 (g) Evidence that the licensee is in compliance with section 50 19 of this act: 20 (h) Evidence that the licensee is in compliance with section 29 21 of this act: and 22 (i) A list of each location where the licensee operates its digital 23 financial asset business activity. 24 If a licensee does not timely comply with subsection 1, the 3. Division may use enforcement measures provided under sections 25 26 42 to 48, inclusive, of this act. Notice or hearing is not required for 27 a suspension or revocation of a license under this chapter for 28 failure to file a renewal report. 29 4. If the Division suspends or revokes a license under this 30 chapter for noncompliance with subsection 1, the Division may end the suspension or rescind the revocation and notify the 31 licensee of the action if, subject to subsection 7, not later than 20 32 33 days after the license was suspended or revoked, the licensee: (a) Files a renewal report; and 34 (b) Pays any penalty assessed under section 45 of this act. 35 The Division shall give prompt notice to a licensee of the 36 5. 37 lifting of a suspension or rescission of a revocation after the 38 licensee complies with subsection 4. Suspension or revocation of a license under this section 39 6. 40 does not invalidate a transfer or exchange of digital financial assets for or on behalf of a resident made during the suspension or 41 42 revocation and does not insulate the licensee from liability under 43 this chapter. For good cause, the Division may extend a period under 44 7. this section. 45





1 8. A licensee that does not comply with this section shall 2 cease operations with or on behalf of a resident on or before the 3 anniversary date of issuance of its license under this chapter.

4 Sec. 32. A license under this chapter is not transferable or 5 assignable.

6 Sec. 33. The Division may adopt regulations to implement 7 the provisions of this chapter.

8 Sec. 34. 1. A person may submit to the Division a request 9 on a form prescribed by the Division for guidance concerning the 10 conditions of licensure that may be applied to the person. Such a 11 request must contain:

12 (a) Information concerning the proposed digital financial 13 asset business activities of the person;

14 (b) Any information deemed necessary by the Division to 15 determine the amount of capital that the applicant would be 16 required to maintain pursuant to section 29 of this act if issued a 17 license; and

(c) Any other information that the Division may require.

19 2. The Division shall inform a person who submits a request 20 pursuant to subsection 1 of:

(a) The amount of capital the person would be required to
 maintain pursuant to section 29 of this act if the person is issued a
 license; and

(b) Any other requirements that may be imposed on the person
if the person is issued a license.

3. The Division may issue an advisory opinion or other written guidance to a person who submits to the Division, on a form and in a manner prescribed by the Division, a request for such an advisory opinion or guidance regarding any requirement of this chapter.

4. The Division shall make any advisory opinion or written
guidance issued pursuant to subsection 3 available to the public
on the Internet website of the Division. The Division shall redact
any information contained in such an advisory opinion or written
guidance that is confidential pursuant to section 38 of this act.

Sec. 35. 1. The Division may, at any time, conduct an 36 37 examination of a licensee or agent of a licensee to determine whether the business of the licensee is being conducted in a lawful 38 manner and whether all digital financial asset business activity of 39 the licensee is properly accounted for. Such an examination may 40 include, without limitation, an examination of the business of the 41 42 licensee or agent and any office located within or outside this 43 State at which the licensee or agent conducts digital financial 44 asset business activity.





1 2. The licensee or agent and each director, officer and 2 employee of the licensee or agent shall make freely available to the 3 Division the accounts, documents, files, information and other 4 records requested by the Division that are in his or her possession 5 or control and shall facilitate the examination conducted by the 6 Division pursuant to subsection 1.

7 3. The Division may examine a licensee or an agent of a 8 licensee without prior notice to the licensee or agent.

9 4. Information obtained during an examination conducted by 10 the Division pursuant to this section may be disclosed only as 11 provided in section 38 of this act.

12 Sec. 36. 1. A licensee shall maintain, for all digital 13 financial asset business activity with or on behalf of a resident 5 14 years after the date of the activity, a record of:

(a) Each transaction of the licensee with or on behalf of the
 resident or for the licensee's account in this State, including:

17 18 (1) The identity of the resident;(2) The form of the transaction;

19 (3) The amount, date and payment instructions given by the 20 resident; and

21 (4) The account number, name and United States Postal
 22 Service address of the resident and, to the extent feasible, other
 23 parties to the transaction;

(b) The aggregate number of transactions and aggregate value
of transactions by the licensee with or on behalf of the resident
and for the licensee's account in this State, expressed in U.S.
Dollar equivalent of digital financial assets for the previous 12
calendar months;

(c) Each transaction in which the licensee exchanges one form
of digital financial asset for legal tender or another form of digital
financial asset with or on behalf of the resident;

32 (d) A general ledger posted at least monthly that lists all assets,
33 liabilities, capital, income and expenses of the licensee;

(e) Each business call report the licensee is required to create
 or provide to the Division;

(f) Bank statements and bank reconciliation records for the
licensee and the name, account number and United States Postal
Service address of each bank the licensee uses in the conduct of its
digital financial asset business activity with or on behalf of the
resident; and

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(g) A report of any dispute with the resident.

42 2. A licensee shall maintain records required by subsection 1 43 in a form that enables the Division to determine whether the 44 licensee is in compliance with this chapter, any court order and 45 any law of this State other than this chapter.





3. If a licensee maintains records outside this State that 1 2 pertain to transactions with or on behalf of a resident, the licensee 3 shall make the records available to the Division not later than 3 days after the request or, on a determination of good cause by the 4 5 Division. at a later time.

4. All records maintained by a licensee are subject to 6 7 inspection by the Division.

8 Sec. 37. Subject to section 38 of this act and law of this State other than this chapter concerning privacy, consumer financial 9 privacy, data protection, privilege and confidentiality, the Division 10 may cooperate, coordinate, jointly examine, consult and share 11 12 records and other information with the appropriate regulatory 13 agency of another state, a self-regulatory organization, a federal or state regulator of banking or nondepository providers or a 14 15 regulator of a jurisdiction outside the United States concerning 16 the affairs and conduct of a licensee in this State.

Sec. 38. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, 17 18 information not contained in a report otherwise available to the public or reports obtained by the Division from an applicant or 19 20 licensee, information contained in or related to an examination, investigation, or operating or condition report prepared by, on 21 22 behalf of, or for the use of the Division, and other financial and 23 operating information, is confidential and is not a public record 24 pursuant to chapter 239 of NRS.

25 2. A trade secret of an applicant or a licensee is confidential 26 and is not a public record pursuant to chapter 239 of NRS. 27

3. Subsection 1 does not prohibit disclosure of:

28 (a) General information about a licensee's digital financial 29 asset business activity with or on behalf of a resident;

30 (b) A list of persons licensed under this chapter; or

(c) Aggregated financial data concerning licensees in this 31 32 State.

Sec. 39. 1. Each licensee shall file with the Division a 33 report of: 34

35 (a) A material change in information in the application for a 36 license under this chapter or the most recent renewal report of the 37 *licensee under this chapter;* 

(b) A material change in the licensee's business for the 38 conduct of its digital financial asset business activity with or on 39 behalf of a resident; and 40

(c) A change of an executive officer, responsible individual or 41 42 person in control of the licensee.

43 2. Absent good cause, a report required by subsection 1 must 44 be filed not later than 15 days after the change.





1 Sec. 40. 1. As used in this section, "proposed person to be 2 in control" means the person that would control a licensee after a 3 proposed transaction that would result in a change in control of 4 the licensee.

5 2. The following rules apply in determining whether a person 6 has control over a licensee:

7 (a) There is a rebuttable presumption of control if the person's
8 voting power in the licensee constitutes or will constitute at least
9 25 percent of the total voting power of the licensee.

(b) There is a rebuttable presumption of control if:

11 (1) The person's voting power in another person constitutes 12 or will constitute at least 10 percent of the total voting power of the 13 other person; and

14 (2) The other person's voting power in the licensee 15 constitutes at least 25 percent of the total voting power of the 16 licensee.

(c) There is no presumption of control solely because a natural
 person is an executive officer of the licensee.

19 3. At least 30 days before a proposed change in control of a 20 licensee, the proposed person to be in control shall submit to the 21 Division in a record:

22 (a) An application in a form and medium prescribed by the 23 Division;

(b) The information and records that section 27 of this act
would require if the proposed person to be in control already had
control of the licensee; and

27 (c) A license application under section 27 of this act by the 28 proposed person to be in control.

29 4. The Division, in accordance with section 27 of this act, 30 shall approve, conditionally approve or deny an application for a change in control of a licensee. The Division, in a record, shall 31 send notice of its decision to the licensee and the person that 32 would be in control if the Division had approved the change in 33 control. If the Division denies the application, the licensee shall 34 abandon the proposed change in control or cease digital financial 35 asset business activity with or on behalf of residents. 36

37 If the Division applies a condition to approval of a change 5. in control of a licensee and the Division does not receive notice of 38 the applicant's acceptance of the condition specified by the 39 Division not later than 31 days after the Division sends notice of 40 the condition, the application is deemed denied. If the application 41 42 is deemed denied, the licensee shall abandon the proposed change 43 in control or cease digital financial asset business activity with or 44 on behalf of residents.





6. Submission in good faith of records required by subsection
 3 relieves the proposed person to be in control from any obligation
 imposed by this section other than subsections 4, 5 and 8 until the
 Division has acted on the application.

5 7. The Division may revoke or modify a decision under 6 subsection 4, after notice and opportunity to be heard, if, in its 7 judgment, revocation or modification is consistent with this 8 chapter.

9 8. If a change in control of a licensee requires approval of an agency of this State and the action of the other agency conflicts with that of the Division, the Division shall confer with the other agency. If the proposed change in control cannot be completed because the conflict cannot be resolved, the licensee shall abandon the change in control or cease digital financial asset business activity with or on behalf of residents.

16 Sec. 41. 1. At least 30 days before a proposed merger or 17 consolidation of a licensee with another person, the licensee shall 18 submit to the Division in a record:

19 (a) An application in a form and medium prescribed by the 20 Division;

21 (b) The plan of merger or consolidation in accordance with 22 subsection 5; and

(c) The information required by section 27 of this act
 concerning the person that would be the surviving entity in the
 proposed merger or consolidation.

26 2. If a proposed merger or consolidation would change the 27 control of a licensee, the licensee shall comply with this section 28 and section 40 of this act.

The Division, in accordance with section 27 of this act, 29 *3*. 30 shall approve, conditionally approve or deny an application for approval of a merger or consolidation of a licensee. The Division, 31 32 in a record, shall send notice of its decision to the licensee and the person that would be the surviving entity. If the Division denies 33 the application, the licensee shall abandon the merger or 34 35 consolidation or cease digital financial asset business activity with 36 or on behalf of residents.

4. The Division may revoke or modify a decision under
subsection 3, after notice and opportunity to be heard, if, in its
judgment, revocation or modification is consistent with this
chapter.

41 5. A plan of merger or consolidation of a licensee with 42 another person must:

(a) Describe the effect of the proposed transaction on the
 licensee's conduct of digital financial asset business activity with
 or on behalf of residents;





(b) Identify each person to be merged or consolidated and the 1 2 person that would be the surviving entity; and

3 (c) Describe the terms and conditions of the merger or consolidation and the mode of carrying it into effect. 4

5 If a merger or consolidation of a licensee and another **6**. 6 person requires approval of an agency of this State and the action 7 of the other agency conflicts with that of the Division, the Division 8 shall confer with the other agency. If the proposed merger or consolidation cannot be completed because the conflict cannot be 9 resolved, the licensee shall abandon the merger or consolidation 10 11 or cease digital financial asset business activity with or on behalf 12 of residents.

13 7. The Division may condition approval of an application 14 under subsection 1. If the Division does not receive notice from 15 the parties that the parties accept the Division's condition not later 16 than 31 days after the Division sends notice in a record of the condition, the application is deemed denied. If the application is 17 18 deemed denied, the licensee shall abandon the merger or consolidation or cease digital financial asset business activity with 19 20 or on behalf of residents.

21 If a licensee acquires substantially all the assets of a **8**. 22 person, whether or not the person's license was approved by the 23 Division, the transaction is subject to this section.

24 Submission in good faith of the records required by 9. 25 subsection 5 relieves the proposed surviving entity from any 26 obligation imposed by this section, other than subsections 3, 6 and 27 7, until the Division has acted on the application.

28 Sec. 42. As used in sections 42 to 48, inclusive, of this act, 29 "enforcement measure" means an action to:

1. Suspend or revoke a license under this chapter;

2. 31 Order a person to cease and desist from doing digital 32 financial asset business activity with or on behalf of a resident;

Request the court to appoint a receiver for the assets of a 33 *3*. person doing digital financial asset business activity with or on 34 35 *behalf of a resident;* 

36 4. Request the court to issue temporary, preliminary or 37 permanent injunctive relief against a person doing digital 38 financial asset business activity with or on behalf of a resident; 39

Assess a penalty under section 45 of this act; 5.

40 6. **Recover on the security under section 29 of this act and** initiate a plan to distribute the proceeds for the benefit of a 41 42 resident injured by a violation of this chapter or law of this State 43 other than this chapter which applies to digital financial asset 44 business activity with or on behalf of a resident;





1 7. Impose necessary or appropriate conditions on the conduct 2 of digital financial asset business activity with or on behalf of a 3 resident; or

4 8. Bring an action for restitution on behalf of a resident if the 5 Division proves economic injury as a result of a violation of this 6 chapter.

7 Sec. 43. 1. The Division may take an enforcement measure 8 against a licensee or person that is not a licensee but is engaging 9 in digital financial asset business activity with or on behalf of a 10 resident if:

(a) The licensee or person materially violates this chapter, a
regulation adopted or order issued under this chapter, or law of
this State other than this chapter which applies to digital financial
asset business activity of the violator with or on behalf of a
resident;

16 (b) The licensee or person does not cooperate substantially 17 with an examination or investigation by the Division or fails to 18 submit a report or documentation;

19 (c) The licensee or person, in the conduct of its digital 20 financial asset business activity with or on behalf of a resident, 21 engages in:

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(1) An unsafe or unsound act or practice;
(2) An unfair or deceptive act or practice;

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(3) Fraud or intentional misrepresentation; or

25 (4) Misappropriation of legal tender, a digital financial
26 asset or other value held by a fiduciary;

(d) An agency of the United States or another state takes an
action against the licensee or person which would constitute an
enforcement measure if the Division had taken the action;

30 (e) The licensee or person is convicted of a crime related to its 31 digital financial asset business activity with or on behalf of a 32 resident or involving fraud or felonious activity that, as 33 determined by the Division, makes the licensee or person 34 unsuitable to engage in digital financial asset business activity;

35 36 (f) The licensee or person: (1) Becomes insolvent:

37 (2) Makes a general assignment for the benefit of its 38 creditors;

39 (3) Becomes the debtor, alleged debtor, respondent or 40 person in a similar capacity in a case or other proceeding under 41 any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, readjustment, 42 insolvency, receivership, dissolution, liquidation or similar law 43 and does not obtain from the court, within a reasonable time, 44 confirmation of a plan or dismissal of the case or proceeding; or





1 (4) Applies for or permits the appointment of a receiver, 2 trustee or other agent of a court for itself or for a substantial part 3 of its assets; or

4 (g) The licensee or person makes a material misrepresentation 5 to the Division.

2. On application and for good cause, the Division may:

7 (a) Extend the due date for submitting a report or 8 documentation under paragraph (b) of subsection 1; or

9 (b) Waive to the extent warranted by circumstances, such as a 10 bona fide error notwithstanding reasonable procedures designed 11 to prevent error, an enforcement measure under subsection 1 if 12 the Division determines that the waiver will not adversely affect 13 the likelihood of compliance with this chapter.

14 3. In an enforcement action related to operating without a 15 license under this chapter in this State, it is a defense to the action 16 that the person has in effect a customer-identification program 17 reasonably designed to identify whether a customer is a resident 18 which failed to identify the particular customer as a resident.

19 4. A proceeding under this chapter is subject to chapter 233B 20 of NRS.

Sec. 44. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2,
 the Division may take an enforcement measure only after notice
 and opportunity for a hearing appropriate in the circumstances.

24 2. The Division may take an enforcement measure, other 25 than the imposition of a civil penalty:

(a) Without prior notice if the circumstances require the action
to be taken before notice can be given;

28 (b) After notice and without a prior hearing if the 29 circumstances require the action to be taken before a hearing can 30 be held; or

(c) After notice and without a hearing if the licensee or person
who is engaging in digital financial asset business activity with, or
on behalf of, a resident does not timely request a hearing.

34 3. A licensee or other person against whom an enforcement 35 measure is taken under the circumstances in paragraph (a) or (b) 36 of subsection 2 is entitled to an expedited hearing after the 37 enforcement action is taken.

38 Sec. 45. 1. If a person other than a licensee engages in 39 digital financial asset business activity with or on behalf of a 40 resident in violation of this chapter, the Division may assess a civil 41 penalty against the person in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 42 for each day of violation.

43 2. If a licensee materially violates a provision of this chapter,
44 the Division may assess a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed
45 \$20,000 for each day of violation.





1 3. A civil penalty under this section continues to accrue until 2 the date the violation ceases.

3 Sec. 46. 1. Revocation of a license under this chapter is 4 effective against a licensee 1 day after the Division sends notice in 5 a record of the revocation to the licensee, by a means reasonably 6 selected for the notice to be received by the recipient in 1 day, to 7 the address provided for receiving communications from the 8 Division.

9 2. Suspension of a license under this chapter or an order to cease and desist is effective against a licensee or other person 1 10 day after the Division sends notice in a record of the suspension or 11 order to the licensee or other person, by a means reasonably 12 13 selected for the notice to be received by the recipient in 1 day, to the address provided for receiving communications from the 14 Division or, if no address is provided, to the recipient's last known 15 16 address. A suspension or order to cease and desist remains in 17 effect until the earliest of:

(a) Entry of an order by the Division under chapter 233B of
 NRS setting aside or limiting the suspension or order;

20 (b) Entry of a court order setting aside or limiting the 21 suspension or order to cease and desist; or

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(c) A date specified by the Division.

3. If, without reason to know of the Division's notice sent under subsection 1 or 2, a licensee or other person does not comply in accordance with the notice until the notice is actually received at the address provided, the Division may consider the delay in compliance in imposing a sanction for the failure.

28 Sec. 47. The Division may enter into a consent order with a 29 person regarding an enforcement measure. The order may provide 30 that it does not constitute an admission of fact by a party.

31 Sec. 48. 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a 32 person does not have a right of action for violation of this chapter.

2. This section does not preclude an action by a resident to
enforce rights under section 50 of this act or any other law of this
State other than this chapter.

36 Sec. 49. 1. A licensee shall provide to a resident who uses 37 the licensee's products or service the disclosures required by subsection 2 and any additional disclosure the Division by 38 regulation determines reasonably necessary for the protection of 39 40 residents. The Division shall determine by regulation the time and form required for disclosure. A disclosure required by this section 41 42 must be made separately from any other information provided by 43 the licensee and in a clear and conspicuous manner in a record 44 the resident may keep. A licensee may propose for the Division's





approval alternate disclosures as more appropriate for its digital
 financial asset business activity with or on behalf of residents.

3 2. Before engaging in digital financial asset business activity 4 with a resident, a licensee shall disclose, to the extent applicable to 5 the digital financial asset business activity the licensee will 6 undertake with the resident:

7 (a) A schedule of fees and charges the licensee may assess, the 8 manner by which fees and charges will be calculated if they are 9 not set in advance and disclosed and the timing of the fees and 10 charges;

11 (b) Whether the product or service provided by the licensee is 12 covered by:

(1) A form of insurance or is otherwise guaranteed against
 loss by an agency of the United States:

15 (I) Up to the full U.S. Dollar equivalent of digital 16 financial assets placed under the control of or purchased from the 17 licensee as of the date of the placement or purchase, including the 18 maximum amount provided by insurance under the Federal 19 Deposit Insurance Corporation or otherwise available from the 20 Securities Investor Protection Corporation; or

21 (II) If not provided at the full U.S. Dollar equivalent of 22 digital financial assets placed under the control of or purchased 23 from the licensee, the maximum amount of coverage for each 24 resident expressed in the U.S. Dollar equivalent of the digital 25 financial asset; or

(2) Private insurance against theft or loss, including cyber
 theft or theft by other means;

(c) If the product or service provided by the licensee is covered
by any insurance described in paragraph (b), the material terms of
the policy of insurance, including, without limitation, the specific
insured risks and any maximum coverage limits that may result in
partial coverage of a digital financial asset of the resident;

(d) The irrevocability of a transfer or exchange and any
 exception to irrevocability;

35 (e) A description of:

(1) The liability of the licensee for an unauthorized,
 mistaken or accidental transfer or exchange;

(2) The resident's responsibility to provide notice to the
 licensee of an unauthorized, mistaken or accidental transfer or
 exchange;

41 (3) The basis for any recovery by the resident from the 42 licensee in the event of an unauthorized, mistaken or accidental 43 transfer or exchange;

44 (4) General error-resolution rights applicable to an 45 unauthorized, mistaken or accidental transfer or exchange; and





1 (5) The method for the resident to update the resident's 2 contact information with the licensee;

3 (f) That the date or time when the transfer or exchange is 4 made and the resident's account is debited may differ from the 5 date or time when the resident initiates the instruction to make the 6 transfer or exchange;

7 (g) Whether the resident has a right to stop a preauthorized 8 payment or revoke authorization for a transfer and the procedure 9 to initiate a stop-payment order or revoke authorization for a 10 subsequent transfer;

11 (h) The resident's right to receive a receipt, trade ticket or 12 other evidence of the transfer or exchange;

(i) The resident's right to at least 14 days' prior notice of a
change in the licensee's fee schedule, other terms and conditions
of operating its digital financial asset business activity with the
resident and the policies applicable to the resident's account;

17 (j) That no digital financial asset is currently recognized as 18 legal tender by this State or the United States; and

(k) Information concerning recent service outages which:

20 (1) Must include, without limitation, a list of each instance 21 in the immediately preceding 12 months in which the services of 22 the licensee were unavailable to 10,000 or more customers seeking 23 to engage in digital financial asset business activity due to a 24 service outage on the part of the licensee; and

25 (2) May include, without limitation, any steps the licensee 26 has taken to resolve the underlying causes of the service outages 27 listed pursuant to subparagraph (1).

28 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, at the 29 conclusion of a digital financial asset transaction with or on 30 behalf of a resident, a licensee shall provide the resident a 31 confirmation in a record which contains:

(a) The name and contact information of the licensee,
 including the toll-free telephone number of the telephone line
 required by section 53 of this act;

35 (b) The type, value, date, precise time and amount of the 36 transaction; and

(c) The fee charged for the transaction, including any charge
for conversion of a digital financial asset to legal tender, bank
credit or other digital financial asset, as well as any indirect
charges.

41 4. If a licensee discloses that it will provide a daily 42 confirmation in the initial disclosure under subsection 3, the 43 licensee may elect to provide a single, daily confirmation for all 44 transactions with or on behalf of a resident on that day instead of 45 a per-transaction confirmation.





1 Sec. 50. 1. A licensee that has control of a digital financial 2 asset for one or more persons shall maintain in its control an 3 amount of each type of digital financial asset sufficient to satisfy 4 the aggregate entitlements of the persons to the type of digital 5 financial asset.

6 2. If a licensee violates subsection 1, the property interests of 7 the persons in the digital financial asset are pro rata property 8 interests in the type of digital financial asset to which the persons 9 are entitled, without regard to the time the persons became entitled 10 to the digital financial asset or the licensee obtained control of the 11 digital financial asset.

12 3. A digital financial asset maintained for the purposes of 13 compliance with subsection 1 is:

14 (a) Held for the persons entitled to the digital financial asset;

15 16 (b) Not property of the licensee; and
(c) Not subject to the claims of creditors of the licensee.

17 4. A licensee may comply with the requirements of subsection 18 1 by entering into an agreement with each resident for whom the 19 licensee has control of a digital financial asset which is evidenced 20 in a record signed by the licensee and the resident and which 21 states that:

(a) The digital financial asset controlled by the licensee on
behalf of the resident will be treated as a financial asset under
NRS 104.8101 to 104.8511, inclusive;

25 (b) The licensee is a securities intermediary under NRS 26 104.8101 to 104.8511, inclusive, with respect to any digital 27 financial asset under control of the licensee on behalf of the 28 resident; and

(c) The account or wallet of the resident provided by or
through the licensee is a securities account under NRS 104.8101
to 104.8511, inclusive.

32 Sec. 51. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a 33 licensee shall, before listing or offering a digital financial asset as 34 available to be exchanged by the licensee on behalf of a resident:

(a) Provide to the Division a written disclosure of all material
facts relating to any conflict of interest associated with the licensee
and the digital financial asset;

(b) Identify the likelihood that the digital financial asset would
be deemed a security by state or federal regulators;

- 40 (c) Conduct a comprehensive risk assessment designed to 41 ensure consumers are adequately protected from risks relating to:
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(2) Malfeasance, including, without limitation, theft;

(3) Code or protocol defects; and

(1) Cyber-security;



1 (4) Markets for digital financial assets, including, without 2 limitation, price manipulation and fraud.

3 (d) Establish policies and procedures for the reevaluation of 4 the appropriateness of the continued listing or offering of the 5 digital financial asset which must include, without limitation, an 6 evaluation of whether material changes have occurred;

7 (e) Establish policies and procedures to cease listing or 8 offering the digital financial asset which must include, without 9 limitation, notification to affected consumers and counterparties; 10 and

11 (f) Submit to the Division, on a form prescribed by the 12 Division, a certification that the licensee has taken the actions 13 described in paragraphs (a) to (e), inclusive.

14 2. A licensee is not required to comply with the requirements 15 set forth in subsection 1 before listing or offering for exchange 16 any digital financial asset that has been approved by the New York 17 State Department of Financial Services for listing in the State of 18 New York before January 1, 2023, by a person who is licensed to 19 engage in virtual-currency business activity pursuant to Part 200 20 of Title 23 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations.

21 3. If the Division determines that a licensee has listed or 22 offered a digital financial asset as available for exchange in 23 violation of subsection 1, the Division:

24 (a) Shall order the licensee to cease listing or offering the 25 digital financial asset; and

26 (b) May assess a civil penalty of not more than \$20,000 for 27 each day the violation occurs.

4. Failure of a particular policy or procedure adopted under
this section to meet its goals in a particular instance is not a
ground for liability of the licensee if the policy or procedure was
created, implemented and monitored properly. Repeated failures
of a policy or procedure are evidence that the policy or procedure
was not created or implemented properly.

5. As used in this section, "conflict of interest" means any interest of a licensee or a natural person associated with a licensee involving a digital financial asset that could reasonably be considered to affect the ability of a licensee to render an impartial recommendation.

39 Sec. 52. 1. A licensee shall make every effort to execute 40 each request by a resident to exchange a digital financial asset 41 fully and promptly.

42 2. A licensee who exchanges a digital financial asset for or 43 with a resident shall use reasonable diligence to ascertain the best 44 market for a digital financial asset and exchange the digital 45 financial asset in that market so that the outcome to the resident is





as favorable as possible under prevailing market conditions. In determining whether a licensee has complied with the provisions

3 of this subsection, the Division shall consider, without limitation:

(a) The character of the market for the digital financial asset: 4

(b) The size and type of the transaction;

(c) The number of markets checked by the licensee; and

7 (d) The accessibility of appropriate pricing for the digital 8 financial asset.

9 3. In a transaction involving an exchange for or with a resident, a licensee shall not interject a third party between the 10 licensee and the best market for the digital financial asset in a 11 12 manner inconsistent with this section.

13 4. A licensee who cannot execute an exchange for or with a 14 resident directly with a market and employs other means to 15 execute the exchange does not violate the provisions of this section 16 if the licensee can show that the means employed were appropriate 17 under the circumstances to ensure an execution that is 18 advantageous to the resident.

Sec. 53. 1. A licensee shall establish and maintain a toll-19 20 free telephone line through which a resident can contact the 21 licensee for issues involving customer service and receive live 22 customer assistance. The telephone line must be operative 24 23 hours per day on Monday through Saturday, with any federal 24 holidays excepted.

25 2. A licensee shall prominently display on the Internet 26 website of the licensee the toll-free telephone number of the 27 telephone line established and maintained pursuant to 28 subsection 1.

Sec. 54. 1. A licensee shall not exchange, transfer or store 29 30 a digital financial asset that is a stablecoin or engage in digital financial asset administration, whether directly or through an 31 32 agreement with a digital financial asset control services vendor, 33 involving a digital financial asset that is a stablecoin unless the issuer of the stablecoin: 34

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(a) Is a licensee or a bank; and

36 (b) At all times owns eligible securities having an aggregate 37 market value computed in accordance with generally accepted 38 accounting principles of not less than the aggregate amount of all its outstanding stablecoins issued or sold in the United States. 39

2. The Division shall adopt regulations setting forth the 40 securities that constitute eligible securities for the purposes of 41 42 subsection 1. 43

3. As used in this section:

(a) "Nominal redemption value" means the value at which a 44 45 digital financial asset can be:





(1) Readily converted, on demand at the time of issuance, 1 2 into United States dollars or any other national or state currency 3 or a monetary equivalent; or

(2) Otherwise accepted in payment or to satisfy debts 4 5 denominated in United States dollars or any national or state 6 currency. 7

(b) "Stablecoin" means a digital financial asset that is:

8 (1) Denominated in or pegged to the United States dollar or 9 another national or state currency; and

10 (2) Issued with a fixed nominal redemption value or with 11 the intent of establishing a reasonable expectation or belief among 12 the general public that the digital financial asset will retain a 13 nominal redemption value that is so stable as to render the 14 nominal redemption value effectively fixed.

15 Sec. 55. 1. An applicant, before submitting an application, shall create and, during licensure, maintain in a record policies 16 17 and procedures for:

18 (a) An information security and operational security program;

19 (b) A business continuity program;

20 (c) A disaster recovery program;

21 (d) An anti-fraud program;

22 (e) An anti-money laundering program;

23 (f) A program to prevent funding of terrorist activity; and

24 (g) A program designed to:

(1) Ensure compliance with this chapter, law of this State 25 26 other than this chapter and federal law which is relevant to the 27 digital financial asset business activity contemplated by the 28 licensee with or on behalf of residents; and

29 (2) Assist the licensee in achieving the purposes of law of 30 this State other than this chapter and federal law if violation of 31 that law has a remedy under this chapter.

2. Each policy required by subsection 1 must be in a record 32 33 and designed to be adequate for a licensee's contemplated digital financial asset business activity with or on behalf of residents, 34 35 considering the circumstances of all participants and the safe operation of the activity. Each policy and implementing procedure 36 must be compatible with other policies and the procedures 37 implementing them and not conflict with policies or procedures 38 applicable to the licensee under law of this State other than this 39 chapter. A policy and implementing procedure may be one in 40 existence in the licensee's digital financial asset business activity 41 42 with or on behalf of residents.

43 3. A licensee's policy for detecting fraud must include:

44 (a) Identification and assessment of the material risks of its 45 digital financial asset business activity related to fraud, including,





1 without limitation, any form of market manipulation or insider

2 training by the licensee or any employee or customer of the
3 licensee;

4 (b) Protection against any material risk related to fraud 5 identified by the Division or the licensee; and

6 (c) Periodic evaluation and revision of the anti-fraud 7 procedure.

8 4. A licensee's policy for preventing money laundering and 9 financing of terrorist activity must include:

10 (a) Identification and assessment of the material risks of its 11 digital financial asset business activity related to money 12 laundering and financing of terrorist activity;

(b) Procedures, in accordance with federal law or guidance
published by federal agencies responsible for enforcing federal
law, pertaining to money laundering and financing of terrorist
activity; and

(c) Filing reports under the Bank Secrecy Act, 31 U.S.C. §§
5311 et seq., as amended, or 31 C.F.R. Chapter X, as amended,
and other federal or state laws pertaining to the prevention or
detection of money laundering or financing of terrorist activity.

5. A licensee's information security and operational security
 policy must include reasonable and appropriate administrative,
 physical and technical safeguards to protect the confidentiality,
 integrity and availability of any nonpublic personal information or
 digital financial asset it receives, maintains or transmits.

26 6. A licensee is not required to file with the Division a copy of 27 a report it makes to a federal authority unless the Division 28 specifically requires filing.

*29 7. A licensee's protection policy under subsection 5 for 30 residents must include:* 

(a) Any action or system of records required to comply with
this chapter and law of this State other than this chapter
applicable to the licensee with respect to digital financial asset
business activity with or on behalf of a resident;

35 (b) A procedure for resolving disputes between the licensee 36 and a resident;

(c) A procedure for a resident to report an unauthorized,
 mistaken or accidental digital financial asset business activity
 transaction; and

40 (d) A procedure for a resident to file a complaint with the 41 licensee and for the resolution of the complaint in a fair and 42 timely manner with notice to the resident as soon as reasonably 43 practical of the resolution and the reasons for the resolution.

44 8. A licensee's program described in paragraph (g) of 45 subsection 1 must include policies and procedures to minimize the





probability that the licensee facilitates the exchange of 1 2 unregistered securities.

3 9. After the policies and procedures required under this section are created and approved by the Division and the licensee, 4 5 the licensee shall engage a responsible individual with adequate authority and experience to monitor each policy and procedure, 6 7 publicize it as appropriate, recommend changes as desirable and 8 enforce it. 9

10. A licensee may:

(a) Request advice from the Division as to compliance with this 10 11 section: and

12 (b) With the Division's approval, outsource functions, other 13 than compliance, required under this section.

14 11. Failure of a particular policy or procedure adopted under this section to meet its goals in a particular instance is not a 15 ground for liability of the licensee if the policy or procedure was 16 17 created, implemented and monitored properly. Repeated failures of a policy or procedure are evidence that the policy or procedure 18 was not created or implemented properly. 19

20 12. Policies and procedures adopted under this section must 21 be disclosed separately from other disclosures made available to a 22 resident, in a clear and conspicuous manner and in the medium 23 through which the resident contacted the licensee.

24 Sec. 56. 1. An applicant, before submitting its application, 25 shall establish and maintain in a record a policy or procedure 26 designed to ensure compliance with:

27 (a) This chapter: and

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(b) Law of this State other than this chapter if:

29 (1) The other law is relevant to the digital financial asset 30 business activity contemplated by the licensee or the scope of this 31 chapter; or

(2) This chapter could assist in the purpose of the other law 32 33 because violation of the other law has a remedy under this 34 chapter.

2. A policy or procedure under subsection 1:

(a) Must be compatible, and not conflict, with requirements 36 applicable to a licensee under law of this State other than this 37 chapter and under federal law; and 38

(b) May be a policy or procedure in existence for the licensee's 39 digital financial asset business activity with or on behalf of a 40 resident. 41

42 *3*. After the policies and procedures required under this 43 section are created by the licensee and approved by the Division, 44 the licensee shall engage a responsible individual with adequate 45 authority and experience to monitor each policy or procedure,





1 publicize it as appropriate, recommend changes as desirable and 2 enforce it.

4. A licensee may:

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4 (a) Request advice from the Division as to compliance with this 5 section; and

6 (b) With the Division's approval, outsource functions, other 7 than compliance, required under this section.

8 5. Failure of a particular policy or procedure adopted under 9 this section to meet its goals in a particular instance is not a 10 ground for liability of the licensee if the policy or procedure was 11 created, implemented and monitored properly. Repeated failures 12 of a policy or procedure are evidence that the policy or procedure 13 was not created or implemented properly.

**Sec. 57.** NRS 239.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 239.010 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and NRS 1.4683, 1.4687, 1A.110, 3.2203, 41.0397, 41.071, 49.095, 16 17 49.293, 62D.420, 62D.440, 62E.516, 62E.620, 62H.025, 62H.030, 62H.170, 62H.220, 62H.320, 75A.100, 75A.150, 76.160, 78.152, 18 80.113, 81.850, 82.183, 86.246, 86.54615, 87.515, 87.5413, 19 20 87A.200, 87A.580, 87A.640, 88.3355, 88.5927, 88.6067, 88A.345, 21 88A.7345, 89.045, 89.251, 90.730, 91.160, 116.757, 116A.270, 22 116B.880, 118B.026, 119.260, 119.265, 119.267, 119.280, 119A.280, 119A.653, 119A.677, 119B.370, 119B.382, 120A.640, 23 24 120A.690, 125.130, 125B.140, 126.141, 126.161, 126.163, 126.730, 25 127.007, 127.057, 127.130, 127.140, 127.2817, 128.090, 130.312, 130.712, 136.050, 159.044, 159A.044, 172.075, 172.245, 176.015, 26 27 176.0625, 176.09129, 176.156, 176A.630, 178.39801, 178.4715, 28 178.5691, 179.495, 179A.070, 179A.165, 179D.160, 200.3771, 29 200.3772, 200.5095, 200.604, 202.3662, 205.4651, 209.392, 211A.140, 30 209.3923. 209.3925. 209.419. 209.429. 209.521. 213.010, 213.040, 213.095, 213.131, 217.105, 217.110, 217.464, 31 32 217.475, 218A.350, 218E.625, 218F.150, 218G.130, 218G.240, 218G.350, 224.240, 226.300, 228.270, 228.450, 228.495, 228.570, 33 231.069, 231.1473, 232.1369, 233.190, 237.300, 34 239.0105. 239.0113, 239.014, 239B.026, 239B.030, 239B.040, 239B.050, 35 239C.140, 239C.210, 239C.230, 239C.250, 239C.270, 239C.420, 36 240.007, 241.020, 241.030, 241.039, 242.105, 244.264, 244.335, 37 247.540, 247.550, 247.560, 250.087, 250.130, 250.140, 250.150, 38 268.095, 268.0978, 268.490, 268.910, 269.174, 271A.105, 281.195, 39 281.805, 281A.350, 281A.680, 281A.685, 281A.750, 281A.755, 40 284.4068, 284.4086, 286.110, 286.118, 287.0438, 41 281A.780, 42 289.025, 289.080, 289.387, 289.830, 293.4855, 293.5002, 293.503, 293.504, 293.558, 293.5757, 293.870, 293.906, 293.908, 293.910, 43 293B.135, 293D.510, 331.110, 332.061, 332.351, 333.333, 333.335, 44 45 338.070. 338.1379, 338.1593, 338.1725, 338.1727, 348.420,



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27 2. A governmental entity may not reject a book or record 28 which is copyrighted solely because it is copyrighted.

29 3. A governmental entity that has legal custody or control of a 30 public book or record shall not deny a request made pursuant to 31 subsection 1 to inspect or copy or receive a copy of a public book or 32 record on the basis that the requested public book or record contains 33 information that is confidential if the governmental entity can redact, delete, conceal or separate, including, without limitation, 34 35 electronically, the confidential information from the information 36 included in the public book or record that is not otherwise 37 confidential.

4. If requested, a governmental entity shall provide a copy of a
public record in an electronic format by means of an electronic
medium. Nothing in this subsection requires a governmental entity
to provide a copy of a public record in an electronic format or by
means of an electronic medium if:

- 43 (a) The public record:
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(1) Was not created or prepared in an electronic format; and(2) Is not available in an electronic format; or



1 (b) Providing the public record in an electronic format or by 2 means of an electronic medium would:

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(1) Give access to proprietary software; or

4 (2) Require the production of information that is confidential 5 and that cannot be redacted, deleted, concealed or separated from 6 information that is not otherwise confidential.

7 5. An officer, employee or agent of a governmental entity who8 has legal custody or control of a public record:

9 (a) Shall not refuse to provide a copy of that public record in the 10 medium that is requested because the officer, employee or agent has 11 already prepared or would prefer to provide the copy in a different 12 medium.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.030, shall, upon
request, prepare the copy of the public record and shall not require
the person who has requested the copy to prepare the copy himself
or herself.

**Sec. 58.** 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 26 of this act, a person who, on or before January 1, 2025, is engaged in digital financial asset business activity with or on behalf of a resident and who has submitted an application for licensure pursuant to section 27 of this act may continue to engage in digital financial asset business activity while the application is pending approval or denial.

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2. As used in this section:

(a) "Digital financial asset business activity" has the meaningascribed to it in section 9 of this act.

27 (b) "Resident" has the meaning ascribed to it in section 18 of 28 this act.

29 Sec. 59. 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and 30 approval.

31 2. Sections 1 to 58, inclusive, of this act become effective:

(a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any
 regulations, accepting applications for licensure pursuant to section
 27 of this act and performing any other preparatory administrative
 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and
 (b) On January 1, 2025 for all other purposes

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36 (b) On January 1, 2025, for all other purposes.



