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SENATE BILL 117 GSC Uniform Comm. Code/Emerging Technologies. Short Title: (Public) Sponsors: Senators Galey, B. Newton, and Britt (Primary Sponsors). Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate February 21, 2025 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE TO GOVERN TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING CERTAIN EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: PART I. CONTROLLABLE ELECTRONIC RECORDS **SECTION 1.** Chapter 25 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new Article to read: "Article 12. "Controllable Electronic Records. "§ 25-12-101. Title. This Article may be cited as Uniform Commercial Code – Controllable Electronic Records. "§ 25-12-102. Definitions. Article 12 Definitions. – In this Article, the following definitions apply: (a) Account debtor. – Defined in G.S. 25-9-102. (1) **(2)** Chattel paper. – Defined in G.S. 25-9-102. Controllable account. – Defined in G.S. 25-9-102. (3) Controllable electronic record. – A record stored in an electronic medium that (4) can be subjected to control under G.S. 25-12-105. The term does not include a controllable account, a controllable payment intangible, a deposit account, an electronic copy of a record evidencing chattel paper, an electronic document of title, electronic money, investment property, or a transferable record. <u>Controllable payment intangible. – Defined in G.S. 25-9-102.</u> (5) Deposit account. – Defined in G.S. 25-9-102. (6) Electronic money. – Defined in G.S. 25-9-102. (7) Investment property. – Defined in G.S. 25-9-102. (8) Qualifying purchaser. – A purchaser of a controllable electronic record or an (9) interest in a controllable electronic record that obtains control of the controllable electronic record for value, in good faith, and without notice of a claim of a property right in the controllable electronic record. Transferable record. – Has the meaning provided for that term in either of the (10)following: Section 201(a)(1) of the Electronic Signatures in Global and National a.



Commerce Act, 15 U.S.C. § 7021(a)(1).

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- Value. Has the meaning provided in G.S. 25-3-303(a), as if references in that subsection to an "instrument" were references to a controllable account, controllable electronic record, or controllable payment intangible.
- (b) Article 1 Definitions and Principles. Article 1 of this Chapter contains general definitions and principles of construction and interpretation applicable throughout this Article.

"§ 25-12-103. Relation to Article 9 and consumer laws.

- (a) Article 9 Governs in Case of Conflict. If there is conflict between this Article and Article 9 of this Chapter, Article 9 of this Chapter governs.
- (b) Applicable Consumer Law and Other Laws. A transaction subject to this Article is subject to any applicable rule of law that establishes a different rule for consumers, to any other statute or rule of this State that regulates the rates, charges, agreements, and practices for loans, credit sales, or other extensions of credit, and to any consumer-protection statute or rule of this State, including Chapter 24 of the General Statutes, the Retail Installment Sales Act (Chapter 25A of the General Statutes), the North Carolina Consumer Finance Act (Article 15 of Chapter 53 of the General Statutes), and the Pawnbrokers and Currency Converters Modernization Act (Part 1 of Article 45 of Chapter 66 of the General Statutes).

§ 25-12-104. Rights in controllable account, controllable electronic record, and controllable payment intangible.

- (a) Applicability of Section to Controllable Account and Controllable Payment Intangible. This section applies to the acquisition and purchase of rights in a controllable account or controllable payment intangible, including the rights and benefits under subsections (c), (d), (e), (g), and (h) of this section of a purchaser and qualifying purchaser, in the same manner this section applies to a controllable electronic record.
- (b) Control of Controllable Account and Controllable Payment Intangible. To determine whether a purchaser of a controllable account or a controllable payment intangible is a qualifying purchaser, the purchaser obtains control of the account or payment intangible if it obtains control of the controllable electronic record that evidences the account or payment intangible.
- (c) Applicability of Other Law to Acquisition of Rights. Except as provided in this section, law other than this Article determines whether a person acquires a right in a controllable electronic record and the right the person acquires.
- (d) Shelter Principle and Purchase of Limited Interest. A purchaser of a controllable electronic record acquires all rights in the controllable electronic record that the transferor had or had power to transfer, except that a purchaser of a limited interest in a controllable electronic record acquires rights only to the extent of the interest purchased.
- (e) Rights of Qualifying Purchaser. A qualifying purchaser acquires its rights in the controllable electronic record free of a claim of a property right in the controllable electronic record.
- (f) <u>Limitation of Rights of Qualifying Purchaser in Other Property. Except as provided in subsections (a) and (e) of this section for a controllable account and a controllable payment intangible or law other than this Article, a qualifying purchaser takes a right to payment, right to performance, or other interest in property evidenced by the controllable electronic record subject to a claim of a property right in the right to payment, right to performance, or other interest in property.</u>
- (g) No-Action Protection for Qualifying Purchaser. An action shall not be asserted against a qualifying purchaser based on both a purchase by the qualifying purchaser of a controllable electronic record and a claim of a property right in another controllable electronic record, whether the action is framed in conversion, replevin, constructive trust, equitable lien, or other theory.

(h) Filing Not Notice. – Filing of a financing statement under Article 9 of this Chapter is not notice of a claim of a property right in a controllable electronic record.

"§ 25-12-105. Control of controllable electronic record.

- (a) General Rule for Control of Controllable Electronic Record. A person has control of a controllable electronic record if the electronic record, a record attached to or logically associated with the electronic record, or a system in which the electronic record is recorded does both of the following:
 - (1) Gives the person both of the following:
 - <u>a.</u> Power to avail itself of substantially all the benefit from the electronic record.
 - <u>b.</u> <u>Exclusive power, subject to subsection (b) of this section, to do both of the following:</u>
 - 1. Prevent others from availing themselves of substantially all the benefit from the electronic record.
 - 2. Transfer control of the electronic record to another person or cause another person to obtain control of another controllable electronic record as a result of the transfer of the electronic record.
 - (2) Enables the person readily to identify itself in any way, including by name, identifying number, cryptographic key, office, or account number, as having the powers specified in subdivision (1) of this subsection.
- (b) Meaning of Exclusive. Subject to subsection (c) of this section, a power is exclusive under sub-subdivision (a)(1)b. of this section even if either of the following applies:
 - (1) The controllable electronic record, a record attached to or logically associated with the electronic record, or a system in which the electronic record is recorded limits the use of the electronic record or has a protocol programmed to cause a change, including a transfer or loss of control or a modification of benefits afforded by the electronic record.
 - (2) The power is shared with another person.
- (c) When Power Not Shared with Another Person. A power of a person is not shared with another person under subdivision (b)(2) of this section and the person's power is not exclusive if both of the following apply:
 - (1) The person can exercise the power only if the power also is exercised by the other person.
 - (2) Either of the following applies:
 - <u>a.</u> The other person can exercise the power without exercise of the power by the person.
 - b. The other person is the transferor to the person of an interest in the controllable electronic record or a controllable account or controllable payment intangible evidenced by the controllable electronic record.
- (d) Presumption of Exclusivity of Certain Powers. If a person has the powers specified in sub-subdivision (a)(1)b. of this section, the powers are presumed to be exclusive.
- (e) Control Through Another Person. A person has control of a controllable electronic record if either of the following applies to another person, other than the transferor to the person of an interest in the controllable electronic record or a controllable account or controllable payment intangible evidenced by the controllable electronic record:
 - (1) The other person has control of the electronic record and acknowledges that it has control on behalf of the person.
 - (2) The other person obtains control of the electronic record after having acknowledged that it will obtain control of the electronic record on behalf of the person.

- (f) No Requirement to Acknowledge. A person that has control under this section is not required to acknowledge that it has control on behalf of another person.
- (g) No Duties or Confirmation. If a person acknowledges that it has or will obtain control on behalf of another person, unless the person otherwise agrees or law other than this Article or Article 9 of this Chapter otherwise provides, the person does not owe any duty to the other person and is not required to confirm the acknowledgment to any other person.

"§ 25-12-106. Discharge of account debtor on controllable account or controllable payment intangible.

- (a) <u>Discharge of Account Debtor. An account debtor on a controllable account or controllable payment intangible may discharge its obligation by paying either of the following persons:</u>
 - (1) The person having control of the controllable electronic record that evidences the controllable account or controllable payment intangible.
 - (2) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a person that formerly had control of the controllable electronic record.
- (b) Content and Effect of Notification. Subject to subsection (d) of this section, the account debtor shall not discharge its obligation by paying a person that formerly had control of the controllable electronic record if the account debtor receives a notification that satisfies all of the following requirements:
 - (1) The notification is signed by a person that formerly had control or the person to which control was transferred.
 - (2) The notification reasonably identifies the controllable account or controllable payment intangible.
 - (3) The notification notifies the account debtor that control of the controllable electronic record that evidences the controllable account or controllable payment intangible was transferred.
 - (4) The notification identifies the transferee, in any reasonable way, including by name, identifying number, cryptographic key, office, or account number.
 - (5) The notification provides a commercially reasonable method by which the account debtor is to pay the transferee.
- (c) <u>Discharge Following Effective Notification.</u> After receipt of a notification that complies with subsection (b) of this section, the account debtor may discharge its obligation by paying in accordance with the notification and shall not discharge the obligation by paying a person that formerly had control.
- (d) When Notification Ineffective. Subject to subsection (h) of this section, all of the following apply to a notification under subsection (b) of this section:
 - (1) The notification is ineffective unless, before the notification is sent, the account debtor and the person that, at that time, had control of the controllable electronic record that evidences the controllable account or controllable payment intangible agree in a signed record to a commercially reasonable method by which a person may furnish reasonable proof that control has been transferred.
 - (2) The notification is ineffective to the extent an agreement between the account debtor and seller of a payment intangible limits the account debtor's duty to pay a person other than the seller and the limitation is effective under law other than this Article.
 - (3) The notification is ineffective at the option of the account debtor, if the notification notifies the account debtor to do any of the following:
 - <u>a.</u> <u>Divide a payment.</u>
 - b. Make less than the full amount of an installment or other periodic payment.

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- Pay any part of a payment by more than one method or to more than c. one person.
- Proof of Transfer of Control. Subject to subsection (h) of this section, if requested (e) by the account debtor, the person giving the notification under subsection (b) of this section seasonably shall furnish reasonable proof, using the method in the agreement referred to in subdivision (d)(1) of this section, that control of the controllable electronic record has been transferred. Unless the person complies with the request, the account debtor may discharge its obligation by paying a person that formerly had control, even if the account debtor has received a notification under subsection (b) of this section.
- What Constitutes Reasonable Proof. A person furnishes reasonable proof under (f) subsection (e) of this section that control has been transferred if the person demonstrates, using the method in the agreement referred to in subdivision (d)(1) of this section, that the transferee has the power to do all of the following:
 - Avail itself of substantially all the benefit from the controllable electronic (1) record.
 - Prevent others from availing themselves of substantially all the benefit from <u>(2)</u> the controllable electronic record.
 - (3) Transfer the powers specified in subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection to another person.
- Rights Not Waivable. Subject to subsection (h) of this section, an account debtor shall not waive or vary its rights under subdivision (d)(1) and subsection (e) of this section or its option under subdivision (d)(3) of this section.
- Rule for Individual Under Other Law. This section is subject to law other than this Article that establishes a different rule for an account debtor who is an individual and who incurred the obligation primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.

"§ 25-12-107. Governing law.

- General Rule for Governing Law. Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the local law of a controllable electronic record's jurisdiction governs a matter covered by this Article.
- (b) Governing Law for G.S. 25-12-106. - For a controllable electronic record that evidences a controllable account or controllable payment intangible, the local law of the controllable electronic record's jurisdiction governs a matter covered by G.S. 25-12-106 unless an effective agreement determines that the local law of another jurisdiction governs.
- Controllable Electronic Record's Jurisdiction. The following rules determine a controllable electronic record's jurisdiction under this section:
 - If the controllable electronic record, or a record attached to or logically (1) associated with the controllable electronic record and readily available for review, expressly provides that a particular jurisdiction is the controllable electronic record's jurisdiction for purposes of this Article or Chapter, that jurisdiction is the controllable electronic record's jurisdiction.
 - If subdivision (1) of this subsection does not apply and the rules of the system <u>(2)</u> in which the controllable electronic record is recorded are readily available for review and expressly provide that a particular jurisdiction is the controllable electronic record's jurisdiction for purposes of this Article or Chapter, that jurisdiction is the controllable electronic record's jurisdiction.
 - (3) If subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection do not apply and the controllable electronic record, or a record attached to or logically associated with the controllable electronic record and readily available for review, expressly provides that the controllable electronic record is governed by the law of a particular jurisdiction, that jurisdiction is the controllable electronic record's jurisdiction.

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- (4) If subdivisions (1), (2), and (3) of this subsection do not apply and the rules of the system in which the controllable electronic record is recorded are readily available for review and expressly provide that the controllable electronic record or the system is governed by the law of a particular jurisdiction, that jurisdiction is the controllable electronic record's jurisdiction.

 (5) If subdivisions (1) through (4) of this subsection do not apply, the controllable
- (5) If subdivisions (1) through (4) of this subsection do not apply, the controllable electronic record's jurisdiction is the District of Columbia.
- (d) Applicability of Article 12. If subdivision (c)(5) of this section applies and Article 12 is not in effect in the District of Columbia without material modification, the governing law for a matter covered by this Article is the law of the District of Columbia as though Article 12 were in effect in the District of Columbia without material modification. In this subsection, "Article 12" means Article 12 of Uniform Commercial Code Amendments (2022).
- (e) Relation of Matter or Transaction to Controllable Electronic Record's Jurisdiction Not Necessary. To the extent subsections (a) and (b) of this section provide that the local law of the controllable electronic record's jurisdiction governs a matter covered by this Article, that law governs even if the matter or a transaction to which the matter relates does not bear any relation to the controllable electronic record's jurisdiction.
- (f) Rights of Purchasers Determined at Time of Purchase. The rights acquired under G.S. 25-12-104 by a purchaser or qualifying purchaser are governed by the law applicable under this section at the time of purchase."

PART II. CONFORMING CHANGES AND OTHER AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE 9 (SECURED TRANSACTIONS) OF THE UCC

SECTION 2. G.S. 25-9-102 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-102. Definitions and index of definitions.

- (a) Article 9 <u>definitions.</u> <u>Definitions.</u> <u>In this Article: Article, the following definitions apply:</u>
 - (1) "Accession" means goods Accession. Goods that are physically united with other goods in such a manner that in which the identity of the original goods is not lost.
 - "Account", except as used in "account for", means a Account. Except as (2) used in "account for," "account statement," "account to," "commodity account," "customer's account," "deposit account," "on account of," and "statement of account," means a right to payment of a monetary obligation, whether or not earned by performance, (i) for property that has been or is to be sold, leased, licensed, assigned, or otherwise disposed of, (ii) for services rendered or to be rendered, (iii) for a policy of insurance issued or to be issued, (iv) for a secondary obligation incurred or to be incurred, (v) for energy provided or to be provided, (vi) for the use or hire of a vessel under a charter or other contract, (vii) arising out of the use of a credit or charge card or information contained on or for use with the card, or (viii) as winnings in a lottery or other game of chance operated or sponsored by a state, governmental unit of a state, or person licensed or authorized to operate the game by a state or governmental unit of a state. The term includes controllable accounts and health-care-insurance receivables. The term does not include (i) rights to payment evidenced by chattel paper or an instrument, chattel paper, (ii) commercial tort claims, (iii) deposit accounts, (iv) investment property, (v) letter-of-credit rights or letters of credit, or (vi) rights to payment for money or funds advanced or sold, other than rights arising out of the use of a credit or charge card or information contained on or for use with the card card, or (vii) rights to payment evidenced by an instrument.

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(6b) Assignor. – A person that (i) under a security agreement creates or provides for a security interest that secures an obligation or (ii) sells an account, chattel

which a security interest has been transferred by a secured party.

created or provided for under a security agreement, whether or not the

obligation is outstanding or (ii) to which an account, chattel paper, payment

intangible, or promissory note has been sold. The term includes a person to

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1		paper, payment intangible, or promissory note. The term includes a secured
2		party that has transferred a security interest to another person.
3	(7)	"Authenticate" means:
4		a. To sign; or
5		b. With present intent to adopt or accept a record, to attach to or logically
6	(0)	associate with the record an electronic sound, symbol, or process.
7 8	(8)	"Bank" means an Bank. — An organization that is engaged in the business of
9		banking. The term includes savings banks, savings and loan associations,
10	(80)	credit unions, and trust companies. Beneficiary. – Defined in G.S. 25-5-102.
11	(8a) (8b)	Broker. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-102.
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13	(9)	<u>"Cash proceeds" means proceeds Cash proceeds. – Proceeds</u> that are money, checks, deposit accounts, or the like.
14	(10)	"Certificate of title" means a Certificate of title. – A certificate of title with
15	(10)	respect to which a statute provides for the security interest in question to be
16		indicated on the certificate as a condition or result of the security interest's
17		obtaining priority over the rights of a lien creditor with respect to the
18		collateral. The term includes another record maintained as an alternative to a
19		certificate of title by the governmental unit that issues certificates of title if a
20		statute permits the security interest in question to be indicated on the record
21		as a condition or result of the security interest's obtaining priority over the
22		rights of a lien creditor with respect to the collateral.
23	(10a)	Certificated security. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-102.
24	(11)	"Chattel paper" means a record or records that evidence both a monetary
25	()	obligation and a security interest in specific goods, a security interest in
26		specific goods and software used in the goods, a security interest in specific
27		goods and license of software used in the goods, a lease of specific goods, or
28		a lease of specific goods and license of software used in the goods. In this
29		subdivision, "monetary obligation" means a monetary obligation secured by
30		the goods or owed under a lease of the goods and includes a monetary
31		obligation with respect to software used in the goods. The term does not
32		include (i) charters or other contracts involving the use or hire of a vessel or
33		(ii) records that evidence a right to payment arising out of the use of a credit
34		or charge card or information contained on or for use with the card. If a
35		transaction is evidenced by records that include an instrument or series of
36		instruments, the group of records taken together constitutes chattel
37		paper. Chattel paper. – Either of the following:
38		a. A right to payment of a monetary obligation secured by specific goods,
39		if the right to payment and security agreement are evidenced by a
40		record.
41		<u>b.</u> A right to payment of a monetary obligation owed by a lessee under a
42		lease agreement with respect to specific goods and a monetary
43		obligation owed by the lessee in connection with the transaction giving
44		rise to the lease, if both of the following apply:
45		1. The right to payment and lease agreement are evidenced by a
46		record.
47		2. The predominant purpose of the transaction giving rise to the
48		lease was to give the lessee the right to possession and use of
49		the goods.
50		The term does not include a right to payment arising out of a charter or other
51		contract involving the use or hire of a vessel or a right to payment arising out

1		of the use of a credit or charge card or information contained on or for use
2		with the card.
3	(11a)	Check. – Defined in G.S. 25-3-104.
4		Clearing corporation. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-102.
5	(12)	"Collateral" means the Collateral. – The property subject to a security interest
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		or agricultural lien. The term includes:includes all of the following:
7		a. Proceeds to which a security interest attaches; attaches.
8		b. Accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles, and promissory notes
9		that have been sold; and sold.
10		c. Goods that are the subject of a consignment.
11	(13)	"Commercial tort claim" means a Commercial tort claim. – A claim arising in
12		tort with respect to which: if either of the following applies:
13		a. The claimant is an organization; or organization.
14		b. The claimant is an individual and the claim: both of the following
15		apply:
16		1. Arose The claim arose in the course of the claimant's business
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		or profession; and <u>profession.</u>
18		2. Does The claim does not include damages arising out of
19		personal injury to or the death of an individual.
20	(14)	"Commodity account" means an Commodity account An account
21		maintained by a commodity intermediary in which a commodity contract is
22		carried for a commodity customer.
23	(15)	"Commodity contract" means a Commodity contract. — A commodity futures
24	, ,	contract, an option on a commodity futures contract, a commodity option, or
25		another contract if the contract or option is:either of the following applies:
26		a. Traded The contract or option is traded on or subject to the rules of a
27		board of trade that has been designated as a contract market for such a
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30		b. Traded The contract or option is traded on a foreign commodity board
31		of trade, exchange, or market, and is carried on the books of a
32		commodity intermediary for a commodity customer.
33	(16)	"Commodity customer" means a Commodity customer. – A person for which
34		a commodity intermediary carries a commodity contract on its books.
35	(17)	"Commodity intermediary" means a Commodity intermediary A person
36	()	that:that satisfies either of the following:
37		a. Is registered as a futures commission merchant under federal
38		commodities law; orlaw.
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		b. In the ordinary course of its business, provides clearance or
40		settlement services for a board of trade that has been designated as a
41		contract market pursuant to federal commodities law.
42	(18)	"Communicate" means: Communicate. – Any of the following:
43		a. To send a written or other tangible record; <u>record.</u>
44		b. To transmit a record by any means agreed upon by the persons sending
45		and receiving the record; or record.
46		c. In the case of transmission of a record to or by a filing office, to
47		transmit a record by any means prescribed by filing-office rule.
48	(19)	"Consignee" means a Consignee. — A merchant to which goods are delivered
49	(1)	in a consignment.
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1	(20)	"Consignment" many a Consignment A transaction recording of its form
1	(20)	"Consignment" means a Consignment. – A transaction, regardless of its form,
2 3		in which a person delivers goods to a merchant for the purpose of sale and:and
		all of the following apply:
4		a. The merchant: All of the following apply to the merchant:
5		1. Deals The merchant deals in goods of that kind under a name
6		other than the name of the person making delivery; delivery.
7		2. Is The merchant is not an auctioneer; and auctioneer.
8		3. <u>Is The merchant is not generally known by its creditors to be</u>
9		substantially engaged in selling the goods of others; others.
10		b. With respect to each delivery, the aggregate value of the goods is one
11 12		thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more at the time of delivery; delivery.
13		c. The goods are not consumer goods immediately before delivery; and
		delivery.
14		d. The transaction does not create a security interest that secures an
15	(21)	obligation.
16	(21)	"Consignor" means a Consignor. – A person that delivers goods to a consignee
17	(22)	in a consignment.
18 19	(22)	"Consumer debtor" means a Consumer debtor. – A debtor in a consumer
20	(22)	transaction.
20	(23)	"Consumer goods" means goods Consumer goods. — Goods that are used or
22	(24)	bought for use primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.
23	(24)	"Consumer goods transaction" means a Consumer-goods transaction. – A consumer transaction in which: which both of the following apply:
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25		a. An individual incurs an obligation primarily for personal, family, or household purposes; and purposes.
26		b. A security interest in consumer goods secures the obligation.
27	(25)	"Consumer obligor" means an Consumer obligor. – An obligor who is an
28	(23)	individual and who incurred the obligation as part of a transaction entered into
29		primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.
30	(26)	"Consumer transaction" means a Consumer transaction. — A transaction in
31	(20)	which (i) an individual incurs an obligation primarily for personal, family, or
32		household purposes, (ii) a security interest secures the obligation, and (iii) the
33		collateral is held or acquired primarily for personal, family, or household
34		purposes. The term includes consumer-goods transactions.
35	(27)	"Continuation statement" means an Continuation statement. – An amendment
36	(27)	of a financing statement which: that does both of the following:
37		a. Identifies, by its file number, the initial financing statement to which
38		it relates; and relates.
39		b. Indicates that it is a continuation statement for, or that it is filed to
40		continue the effectiveness of, the identified financing statement.
41	<u>(27a)</u>	Contract for sale. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-106.
42	$\frac{\langle 274 \rangle}{(27b)}$	Control. – Defined in G.S. 25-7-106.
43	$\frac{\langle 27c \rangle}{(27c)}$	Controllable account. – An account evidenced by a controllable electronic
44	<u>(= / + /</u>	record that provides that the account debtor undertakes to pay the person that
45		has control under G.S. 25-12-105 of the controllable electronic record.
46	(27d)	Controllable electronic record. – Defined in G.S. 25-12-102.
47	(27e)	Controllable payment intangible. – A payment intangible evidenced by a
48	<u> </u>	controllable electronic record that provides that the account debtor undertakes
49		to pay the person that has control under G.S. 25-12-105 of the controllable
50		electronic record.
51	(27f)	Customer. – Defined in G.S. 25-4-104.
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2 A person having an interest, other than a security interest or other lien, 3 in the collateral, whether or not the person is an obligor; obligor. 4 A seller of accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles, or promissory 5 6 7 "Deposit account" means a Deposit account. – A demand, time, savings, 8 passbook, or similar account maintained with a bank. The term does not 9 include investment property or accounts evidenced by an instrument. 10 "Document" means a Document. – A document of title or a receipt of the type 11 "Electronic chattel paper" means chattel paper evidenced by a record or 12 13 records consisting of information stored in an electronic medium. Electronic money. – Money in an electronic form. 14 "Encumbrance" means a Encumbrance. – A right, other than an ownership 15 interest, in real property. The term includes mortgages and other liens on real 16 17 18 19 "Equipment" means goods-Equipment. – Goods other than inventory, farm 20 "Farm products" means goods, Farm products. – Any of the following goods, 21 22 other than standing timber, with respect to which the debtor is engaged in a 23 24 Crops grown, growing, or to be grown, including: including both of the 25 following: 26 1. Crops produced on trees, vines, and bushes; and bushes. 27 Aquatic goods produced in aquacultural operations; operations. 28 b. Livestock, born or unborn, including aquatic goods produced in 29 aquacultural operations; operations. 30 Supplies used or produced in a farming operation; or operation. c. 31 Products of crops or livestock in their unmanufactured states. 32 "Farming operation" means raising, Farming operation. – Raising, cultivating, (35)33 propagating, fattening, grazing, or any other farming, livestock, or 34 aquacultural operation. "File number" means the File number. - The number assigned to an initial 35 (36)36 financing statement pursuant to G.S. 25-9-519(a). "Filing office" means an Filing office. – An office designated in G.S. 25-9-501 37 (37)38 as the place to file a financing statement. 39 "Filing-office rule" means a Filing-office rule. – A rule adopted pursuant to (38)G.S. 25-9-526. 40 (38a) Financial asset. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-102. 41 42 "Financing statement" means a Financing statement. – A record or records (39)43 composed of an initial financing statement and any filed record relating to the 44 initial financing statement. "Fixture filing" means the Fixture filing. – The filing of a financing statement 45 (40)covering goods that are or are to become fixtures and satisfying 46 47 G.S. 25-9-502(a) and (b). The term includes the filing of a financing statement 48 covering goods of a transmitting utility which that are or are to become 49 fixtures. 50 "Fixtures" means goods Fixtures. – Goods that have become so related to (41)

particular real property that an interest in them arises under real property law.

- "General intangible" means any General intangible. Any personal property, including things in action, other than accounts, chattel paper, commercial tort claims, deposit accounts, documents, goods, instruments, investment property, letter-of-credit rights, letters of credit, money, and oil, gas, or other minerals before extraction. The term includes controllable electronic records, payment intangibles intangibles, and software.
- (43) Repealed by Session Laws 2006-112, s. 21, effective October 1, 2006.
- (44)"Goods" means all Goods. - All things that are movable when a security interest attaches. The term includes (i) fixtures, (ii) standing timber that is to be cut and removed under a conveyance or contract for sale, (iii) the unborn young of animals, (iv) crops grown, growing, or to be grown, even if the crops are produced on trees, vines, or bushes, and (v) manufactured homes. The term also includes a computer program embedded in goods and any supporting information provided in connection with a transaction relating to the program if (i) the program is associated with the goods in such-a manner that it customarily is considered part of the goods, or (ii) by becoming the owner of the goods, a person acquires a right to use the program in connection with the goods. The term does not include a computer program embedded in goods that consist solely of the medium in which the program is embedded. The term also does not include accounts, chattel paper, commercial tort claims, deposit accounts, documents, general intangibles, instruments, investment property, letter-of-credit rights, letters of credit, money, or oil, gas, or other minerals before extraction.
- (45) "Governmental unit" means a Governmental unit. A subdivision, agency, department, county, parish, municipality, or other unit of the government of the United States, a state, or a foreign country. The term includes an organization having a separate corporate existence if the organization (i) is eligible to issue debt on which interest is exempt from income taxation under the laws of the United States, States or (ii) was created to facilitate the issuance of notes, bonds, other evidences of indebtedness—indebtedness, or payment obligations for borrowed money by, or in conjunction with, installment or lease purchase financings for, for this State or any county, municipality, or other agency or political subdivision thereof as evidenced by the documents creating the organization.
- (46) "Health-care-insurance receivable" means an Health-care-insurance receivable. An interest in or claim under a policy of insurance which that is a right to payment of a monetary obligation for health-care goods or services provided.
- (46a) Holder in due course. Defined in G.S. 25-3-302.
- "Instrument" means a Instrument. A negotiable instrument or any other writing that evidences a right to the payment of a monetary obligation, is not itself a security agreement or lease, and is of a type that in the ordinary course of business is transferred by delivery with any necessary indorsement or assignment. The term does not include (i) investment property, (ii) letters of credit, or (iii) writings that evidence a right to payment arising out of the use of a credit or charge card or information contained on or for use with the eard. card, or (iv) writings that evidence chattel paper.
- (48) "Inventory" means goods, Inventory. Goods, other than farm products, which:that satisfy any of the following descriptions:
 - a. Are leased by a person as lessor;lessor.

1		b. Are held by a person for sale or lease or to be furnished under a
2		contract of service; service.
3		c. Are furnished by a person under a contract of service; orservice.
4		d. Consist of raw materials, work in process, or materials used or
5		consumed in a business.
6	(49)	"Investment property" means a Investment property. – A security, whether
7	` /	certificated or uncertificated, security entitlement, securities account,
8		commodity contract, or commodity account.
9	(49a)	Issuer. – Defined as follows:
10		a. With respect to a letter of credit or letter-of-credit right, defined in
11		G.S. 25-5-102.
12		b. With respect to a security, defined in G.S. 25-8-201.
13		c. With respect to documents of title, defined in G.S. 25-7-102.
14	(50)	"Jurisdiction of organization", with respect to a registered organization, means
15	(30)	the Jurisdiction of organization. — With respect to a registered organization,
16		the jurisdiction under whose law the organization is formed or organized.
17	(50a)	Lease. – Defined in G.S. 25-2A-103.
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	$\frac{(50b)}{(50a)}$	
19	$\frac{(50c)}{(50d)}$	Lease contract. – Defined in G.S. 25-2A-103.
20		Leasehold interest. – Defined in G.S. 25-2A-103.
21	(50e)	Lessee. – Defined in G.S. 25-2A-103.
22	(50f)	Lessee in ordinary course of business. – Defined in G.S. 25-2A-103.
23	(50g)	Lessor. – Defined in G.S. 25-2A-103.
24		Lessor's residual interest. – Defined in G.S. 25-2A-103.
25	(50i)	Letter of credit. – Defined in G.S. 25-5-102.
26	(51)	"Letter of credit right" means a Letter-of-credit right. – A right to payment or
27		performance under a letter of credit, whether or not the beneficiary has
28		demanded or is at the time entitled to demand payment or performance. The
29		term does not include the right of a beneficiary to demand payment or
30		performance under a letter of credit.
31	(52)	"Lien creditor" means: Lien creditor. – Any of the following:
32		a. A creditor that has acquired a lien on the property involved by
33		attachment, levy, or the like; <u>like.</u>
34		b. An assignee for benefit of creditors from the time of
35		assignment; assignment.
36		c. A trustee in bankruptcy from the date of the filing of the petition;
37		orpetition.
38		d. A receiver in equity from the time of appointment.
39	(53)	"Manufactured home" means a Manufactured home A structure,
40		transportable in one or more sections, which, sections that satisfies all of the
41		following requirements:
42		<u>a.</u> <u>in In the traveling mode, is eight body feet or more in width or 40 body</u>
43		feet or more in length, or, when erected on site, is 320 or more square
44		feet, and which feet.
45		b. is Is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling
46		with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the
47		required utilities, and utilities.
48		<u>c.</u> <u>includes the Includes plumbing, heating, air-conditioning, and</u>
49		electrical systems contained therein.systems.
50		The term includes any structure that meets all of the requirements of this
51		subdivision except the size requirements and with respect to which the
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	manufacturer voluntarily files a certification required by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and complies with the
(54)	standards established under Title 42 of the United States Code. "Manufactured-home transaction" means a secured transaction:
(34)	Manufactured-home transaction. – A secured transaction if either of the
	following applies:
	a. That The transaction creates a purchase-money security interest in a
	manufactured home, other than a manufactured home held as
	inventory; or inventory.b. In which a manufactured home, other than a manufactured home held
	as inventory, is the primary collateral.
(54a)	Merchant. — Defined in G.S. 25-2-104.
(54a) (54b)	Money. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-104. Money. – Defined in G.S. 25-1-201(b) but does not include (i) a deposit
(340)	account or (ii) money in an electronic form that cannot be subjected to control
	under G.S. 25-9-105.1.
(55)	"Mortgage" means a Mortgage. – A consensual interest in real property,
(33)	including fixtures, which that secures payment or performance of an
	obligation.
<u>(55a)</u>	Negotiable instrument. – Defined in G.S. 25-3-104.
(56)	"New debtor" means a New debtor. – A person that becomes bound as debtor
(30)	under G.S. 25-9-203(d) by a security agreement previously entered into by
	another person.
(57)	"New value" means New value. – Any of the following:
(37)	a. (i) money, Money.
	b. (ii) money's Money's worth in property, services, or new credit,
	orcredit.
	c. (iii) release Release by a transferee of an interest in property
	previously transferred to the transferee.
	The term does not include an obligation substituted for another obligation.
(57a)	Nominated person. – Defined in G.S. 25-5-102.
$\frac{(57a)}{(58)}$	"Noncash proceeds" means proceeds Noncash proceeds. — Proceeds other than
(36)	cash proceeds.
(58a)	Note. – Defined in G.S. 25-3-104.
(59)	"Obligor" means a Obligor. — A person that, with respect to an obligation
(39)	secured by a security interest in or an agricultural lien on the collateral, (i)
	owes payment or other performance of the obligation, (ii) has provided
	property other than the collateral to secure payment or other performance of
	the obligation, or (iii) is otherwise accountable in whole or in part for payment
	or other performance of the obligation. The term does not include issuers or
	nominated persons under a letter of credit.
(60)	"Original debtor", except as used in G.S. 25-9-310(c), means a Original
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	<u>debtor, except as used in G.S. 25-9-310(c). – A person that, as debtor, entered</u>
	into a security agreement to which a new debtor has become bound under
(61)	G.S. 25-9-203(d). "Poyment intensible" means a Poyment intensible. A general intensible
(61)	"Payment intangible" means a Payment intangible. — A general intangible
	under which the account debtor's principal obligation is a monetary obligation.
(52)	The term includes a controllable payment intangible.
(62)	"Person related to", with respect to an individual, means: Person related to. —
	Defined as follows:
	a. With respect to an individual, any of the following:
	a.1. The spouse of the individual; individual.

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1		b. 2. A brother, brother-in-law, sister, or sister-in-law of the				
2		individual; <u>individual.</u>				
3		e.3. An ancestor or lineal descendant of the individual or the				
4		individual's spouse; orspouse.				
5		d.4. Any other relative, by blood or marriage, of the individual or				
6		the individual's spouse who shares the same home with the				
7		individual.				
8	(63)	"Person related to", with respect to an organization, means:				
9	(03)	b. With respect to an organization, any of the following:				
10		a.1. A person directly or indirectly controlled by, or				
11		under common control with the organization; organization.				
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		functions with respect to, the organization; organization.				
14		e.3. An officer or director of, or a person performing similar				
15		functions with respect to, a person described in				
16		sub-subdivision a. of this subdivision; sub-sub-subdivision 1.				
17		of this sub-subdivision.				
18		d.4. The spouse of an individual described in sub-subdivision a., b.,				
19		or c. of this subdivision; or sub-subdivision 1., 2., or 3., of				
20		this sub-subdivision.				
21		e. <u>5.</u> An individual who is related by blood or marriage to an				
22		individual described in sub-subdivision a., b., c., or d. of this				
23		subdivision sub-sub-subdivision 1., 2., 3., or 4. of this				
24		sub-subdivision and shares the same home with the individual.				
25	(64)	"Proceeds", except as used in G.S. 25-9-609(b), means the Proceeds. – Except				
26	` /	as used in G.S. 25-9-609(b), means any of the following property:				
27		a. Whatever is acquired upon the sale, lease, license, exchange, or other				
28		disposition of collateral; collateral.				
29		b. Whatever is collected on, or distributed on account of,				
30		collateral; collateral.				
31		c. Rights arising out of collateral; collateral.				
32		d. To the extent of the value of collateral, claims arising out of the loss,				
33		nonconformity, or interference with the use of, defects or infringement				
34		of rights in, or damage to, the collateral; or <u>collateral</u> .				
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		debtor or the secured party, insurance payable by reason of the loss or				
37		nonconformity of, defects or infringement of rights in, or damage to,				
38	(64)	the collateral.				
39	<u>(64a)</u>	Proceeds of a letter of credit. – Defined in G.S. 25-5-114.				
40	(65)	"Production-money crops" means crops Production-money crops. – Crops that				
41		secure a production-money obligation incurred with respect to the production				
42		of those crops.				
43	(66)	"Production money obligation" means an Production-money obligation. – An				
44		obligation of an obligor incurred for new value given to enable the debtor to				
45		produce crops if the value is in fact used for the production of the crops.				
46	(67)	"Production of crops" includes Production of crops Includes tilling and				
47		otherwise preparing land for growing, planting, cultivating, fertilizing,				
48		irrigating, harvesting, gathering, and curing erops, crops and protecting them				
49		from damage or disease.				
50	(68)	"Promissory note" means an Promissory note. – An instrument that evidences				
51		a promise to pay a monetary obligation, does not evidence an order to pay,				

1 and does not contain an acknowledgment by a bank that the bank has received 2 for deposit a sum of money or funds. 3 (69)"Proposal" means a Proposal. – A record authenticated signed by a secured 4 party which that includes the terms on which the secured party is willing to 5 accept collateral in full or partial satisfaction of the obligation it secures 6 pursuant to G.S. 25-9-620, 25-9-621, and 25-9-622. 7 (69a) Protected purchaser. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-303. 8 (69b) Prove. – Defined in G.S. 25-3-103. 9 "Public-finance transaction" means a Public-finance transaction. – A secured (70)10 transaction in connection with which: to which all of the following apply: 11 Debt securities are issued; issued. a. 12 b. All or a portion of the securities issued have an initial stated maturity 13 of at least 20 years; and years. 14 The debtor, obligor, secured party, account debtor or other person c. 15 obligated on collateral, assignor or assignee of a secured obligation, or assignor or assignee of a security interest is a state or a governmental 16 17 unit of a state. "Public organic record" means a Public organic record. - A record that is 18 19 available to the public for inspection and is: is any of the following: 20 A record consisting of the record initially filed with or issued by a state a. 21 or the United States to form or organize an organization and any record 22 filed with or issued by the state or the United States which that amends 23 or restates the initial record; record. 24 b. An organic record of a business trust consisting of the record initially 25 filed with a state and any record filed with the state which that amends 26 or restates the initial record, if a statute of the state governing business 27 trusts requires that the record be filed with the state; or state. 28 A record consisting of legislation enacted by the legislature of a state c. 29 or the Congress of the United States which that forms or organizes an 30 organization, any record amending the legislation, and any record filed 31 with or issued by the state or the United States which that amends or 32 restates the name of the organization. 33 "Pursuant to commitment", with Pursuant to commitment. — With respect to (71)34 an advance made or other value given by a secured party, means pursuant to 35 the secured party's obligation, whether or not a subsequent event of default or other event not within the secured party's control has relieved or may relieve 36 37 the secured party from its obligation. 38 Qualifying purchaser. – Defined in G.S. 25-12-102. (71a) 39 "Record", except as used in "for record", "of record", "record or legal title", (72)and "record owner", Record. – Except as used in "for record," "of record," 40 "record or legal title," and "record owner," means information that is inscribed 41 42 on a tangible medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is 43 retrievable in perceivable form. 44 "Registered organization" means an Registered organization. – An (73)organization formed or organized solely under the law of a single-state or the 45 46 United States by the filing of a public organic record with, the issuance of a 47 public organic record by, or the enactment of legislation by the state or the 48 United States. The term includes a business trust that is formed or organized 49 under the law of a single state if a statute of the state governing business trusts 50 requires that the business trust's organic record be filed with the state.

(73a) Sale. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-106.

1 (74)"Secondary obligor" means an Secondary obligor. – An obligor to the extent 2 that:that either of the following applies: 3 The obligor's obligation is secondary; or secondary. 4 The obligor has a right of recourse with respect to an obligation b. 5 secured by collateral against the debtor, another obligor, or property 6 of either. 7 "Secured party" means: Secured party. – Any of the following: (75)8 A person in whose favor a security interest is created or provided for 9 under a security agreement, whether or not any obligation to be 10 secured is outstanding; outstanding. 11 A person that holds an agricultural lien; lien. b. 12 c. A consignor; consignor. 13 d. A person to which accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles, or 14 promissory notes have been sold; sold. 15 A trustee, indenture trustee, agent, collateral agent, or other e. representative in whose favor a security interest or agricultural lien is 16 17 created or provided for; or for. 18 f. A person that holds a security interest arising under G.S. 25-2-401, 19 25-2-505, 25-2-711(3), 25-2A-508(5), 25-4-208, or 25-5-118. 20 (75a) Securities account. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-501. (75b) Securities intermediary. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-102. 21 (75c) Security. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-102. 22 23 "Security agreement" means an Security agreement. - An agreement that (76)24 creates or provides for a security interest. 25 Security certificate. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-102. (76a) Security entitlement. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-102. 26 (76b)27 "Send", in connection with a record or notification, means: (77)28 To deposit in the mail, deliver for transmission, or transmit by any a. 29 other usual means of communication, with postage or cost of 30 transmission provided for, addressed to any address reasonable under 31 the circumstances: or 32 To cause the record or notification to be received within the time that b. 33 it would have been received if properly sent under sub-subdivision a. 34 of this subdivision. 35 "Software" means a Software. - A computer program and any supporting (78)information provided in connection with a transaction relating to the program. 36 37 The term does not include a computer program that is included in the 38 definition of goods. 39 "State" means a State. – A state of the United States, the District of Columbia, (79)Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any territory or insular 40 possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States. 41 42 "Supporting obligation" means a Supporting obligation. – A letter-of-credit (80)43 right or secondary obligation that supports the payment or performance of an 44 account, chattel paper, a document, a general intangible, an instrument, or 45 investment property. 46 (81)"Tangible chattel paper" means chattel paper evidenced by a record or records 47 consisting of information that is inscribed on a tangible medium. 48 Tangible money. – Money in a tangible form. (81a) 49 "Termination statement" means an Termination statement. – An amendment (82)50 of a financing statement which: that does both of the following:

1	a.		nber, the initial financing statement to which			
2	1	it relates; and <u>relates.</u>				
3	b.		a termination statement or that the identified			
4	(00)	financing statement is no				
5 6	(83) "Transmitting utility" means a Transmitting utility. — A person primari engaged in the business of: of any of the following:					
7	a.		way, street railway, or trolley bus;bus.			
8	a. b.	<u> </u>	tions electrically, electromagnetically, or by			
9	υ.	light; light.	mons electrically, electromagnetically, or by			
10	c.		peline or sewer; or <u>sewer.</u>			
11	d.		ig and transmitting electricity, steam, gas, or			
12	u.	water.	ig and transmitting electricity, steam, gas, or			
13	(84) Un	certificated security. – Define	od in G.S. 25-8-102			
14			rol" as provided in G.S. 25-7-106 and the			
15		in other Articles of this Chapt				
16	"Applicant"	in other Articles of this Chapt	G.S. 25 5 102.			
17	"Beneficiary"		G.S. 25 5 102.			
18	"Broker"		G.S. 25 8 102.			
19	"Certificated secu	nits,"	G.S. 25-8-102.			
20	"Check"	my	G.S. 25-3-102. G.S. 25-3-104.			
21	"Clearing corpora	tion"	G.S. 25-8-102.			
22	"Contract for sale		G.S. 25 2 102. G.S. 25 2 106.			
23	"Customer"	_	G.S. 25 4 104.			
24	"Entitlement hold	or!!	G.S. 25-8-104. G.S. 25-8-102.			
2 4 25	"Financial asset"	21 -	G.S. 25-8-102. G.S. 25-8-102.			
25 26	"Holder in due co	urca"	G.S. 25 3 302.			
20 27			U.B. 23-3-302.			
28	or letter of cre	pect to a letter of credit	G.S. 25-5-102.			
29	"Issuer" (with resp	O ,	G.S. 25-8-201.			
30	-	eet to documents of title)	G.S. 25-7-102.			
31	"Lease"	bect to documents of title)	G.S. 25-7-102. G.S. 25-2A-103.			
32	"Lease agreement	"	G.S. 25-2A-103.			
33	"Lease contract"	_	G.S. 25-2A-103.			
34	"Leasehold interes	5 + "	G.S. 25-2A-103.			
35	"Lessee"	51-	G.S. 25-2A-103.			
36		y course of business"	G.S. 25-2A-103.			
37	"Lessor"	y course or business	G.S. 25-2A-103.			
38	"Lessor's residual	interest"	G.S. 25 2A 103.			
39	"Letter of credit"	interest	G.S. 25-27-105. G.S. 25-5-102.			
40	"Merchant"		G.S. 25-2-102.			
41	"Negotiable instru	ment"	G.S. 25-2-104.			
42	"Nominated perso		G.S. 25-5-104. G.S. 25-5-102.			
43	"Note"	11	G.S. 25 3 102.			
44	"Proceeds of a lett	tor of credit"	G.S. 25-5-114.			
45	"Prove"	of of credit	G.S. 25-3-114. G.S. 25-3-103.			
46	"Sale"		G.S. 25-2-105.			
47	"Securities accour	nt''	G.S. 25-2-100. G.S. 25-8-501.			
48	"Securities interm		G.S. 25 8 102.			
49	"Security"	- Curai j	G.S. 25-8-102.			
50	"Security certifica	te"	G.S. 25-8-102.			
51	"Security certification "Security entitlem		G.S. 25-8-102.			
<i>-</i> 1	Security children	· -	O.D. 20 0 102.			

1 "Uncertificated security"
2 (c) Article 1 definition

G.S. 25-8-102.

(c) Article 1 definitions and principles. — <u>Definitions and Principles.</u> — Article 1 of this Chapter contains general definitions and principles of construction and interpretation applicable throughout this Article."

SECTION 3. G.S. 25-9-104 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-104. Control of deposit account.

- (a) Requirements for control. Control. A secured party has control of a deposit account if: if any of the following applies:
 - (1) The secured party is the bank with which the deposit account is maintained; maintained.
 - (2) The debtor, secured party, and bank have agreed in an authenticated a signed record that the bank will comply with instructions originated by the secured party directing disposition of the funds in the deposit account without further consent by the debtor; ordebtor.
 - (3) The secured party becomes the bank's customer with respect to the deposit account.
 - (4) Another person, other than the debtor, does either of the following:
 - <u>a.</u> <u>Has control of the deposit account and acknowledges that it has control on behalf of the secured party.</u>
 - b. Obtains control of the deposit account after having acknowledged that it will obtain control of the deposit account on behalf of the secured party.
- (b) Debtor's right to direct disposition. Right to Direct Disposition. A secured party that has satisfied subsection (a) of this section has control, even if the debtor retains the right to direct the disposition of funds from the deposit account."

SECTION 4. G.S. 25-9-105 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-105. Control of electronic chattel paper.copy of record evidencing chattel paper.

- (a) General Rule: Control of Electronic Chattel Paper. A secured party has control of electronic chattel paper if a system employed for evidencing the transfer of interests in the chattel paper reliably establishes the secured party as the person to which the chattel paper was assigned.
- (b) Specific Facts Giving Control. A system satisfies subsection (a) of this section if the record or records comprising the chattel paper are created, stored, and assigned in such a manner that:
 - (1) A single authoritative copy of the record or records exists which is unique, identifiable, and, except as otherwise provided in subdivisions (4), (5), and (6) of this section, unalterable;
 - (2) The authoritative copy identifies the secured party as the assignee of the record or records;
 - (3) The authoritative copy is communicated to and maintained by the secured party or its designated custodian;
 - (4) Copies or amendments that add or change an identified assignee of the authoritative copy can be made only with the consent of the secured party;
 - (5) Each copy of the authoritative copy and any copy of a copy is readily identifiable as a copy that is not the authoritative copy; and
 - (6) Any amendment of the authoritative copy is readily identifiable as authorized or unauthorized.
- (a) General Rule for Control of Electronic Copy of Record Evidencing Chattel Paper. A purchaser has control of an authoritative electronic copy of a record evidencing chattel paper if a system employed for evidencing the assignment of interests in the chattel paper reliably establishes the purchaser as the person to which the authoritative electronic copy was assigned.

- 1 Single Authoritative Copy. – A system satisfies subsection (a) of this section if the (b) 2 record or records evidencing the chattel paper are created, stored, and assigned in a manner that 3 satisfies all of the following requirements: 4 A single authoritative copy of the record or records exists that is unique, (1) 5 identifiable, and, except as otherwise provided in subdivisions (4), (5), and (6) 6 of this subsection, unalterable. 7 The authoritative copy identifies the purchaser as the assignee of the record or (2) 8 records. 9 The authoritative copy is communicated to and maintained by the purchaser <u>(3)</u> 10 or its designated custodian. 11 Copies or amendments that add or change an identified assignee of the (4) authoritative copy can be made only with the consent of the purchaser. 12 13 Each copy of the authoritative copy and any copy of a copy is readily (5) 14 identifiable as a copy that is not the authoritative copy. Any amendment of the authoritative copy is readily identifiable as authorized 15 (6) 16 or unauthorized. 17 One or More Authoritative Copies. – A system satisfies subsection (a) of this section, and a purchaser has control of an authoritative electronic copy of a record evidencing chattel 18 19 paper, if the electronic copy, a record attached to or logically associated with the electronic copy, 20 or a system in which the electronic copy is recorded does all of the following: 21 (1) Enables the purchaser readily to identify each electronic copy as either an 22 authoritative copy or a nonauthoritative copy. 23 Enables the purchaser readily to identify itself in any way, including by name, <u>(2)</u> 24 identifying number, cryptographic key, office, or account number, as the 25 assignee of the authoritative electronic copy. 26 (3) Gives the purchaser exclusive power, subject to subsection (d) of this section, 27 to do both of the following: 28 Prevent others from adding or changing an identified assignee of the <u>a.</u> 29 authoritative electronic copy. 30 Transfer control of the authoritative electronic copy. Meaning of Exclusive. – Subject to subsection (e) of this section, a power is exclusive 31 32 under subdivision (c)(3) of this section even if either of the following applies: 33 The authoritative electronic copy, a record attached to or logically associated (1) 34 with the authoritative electronic copy, or a system in which the authoritative 35 electronic copy is recorded limits the use of the authoritative electronic copy 36 or has a protocol programmed to cause a change, including a transfer or loss 37 of control. 38 The power is shared with another person. (2) 39 When Power Not Shared with Another Person. – A power of a purchaser is not shared (e) 40 with another person under subdivision (d)(2) of this section and the purchaser's power is not 41 exclusive if both of the following apply: 42 The purchaser can exercise the power only if the power also is exercised by (1) 43 the other person. 44 Either of the following applies: (2) 45 The other person can exercise the power without exercise of the power <u>a.</u> 46 by the purchaser. 47 The other person is the transferor to the purchaser of an interest in the b. 48 chattel paper.
 - (f) Presumption of Exclusivity of Certain Powers. If a purchaser has the powers specified in subdivision (c)(3) of this section, the powers are presumed to be exclusive.

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- (e) Control Through Another Person. A person has control of electronic money if either of the following applies to another person, other than the transferor to the person of an interest in the electronic money:
 - (1) The other person has control of the electronic money and acknowledges that it has control on behalf of the person.
 - (2) The other person obtains control of the electronic money after having acknowledged that it will obtain control of the electronic money on behalf of the person."

SECTION 6. Article 9 of Chapter 25 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 25-9-107.1. Control of controllable electronic record, controllable account, or controllable payment intangible.

- (a) Control Under G.S. 25-12-105. A secured party has control of a controllable electronic record as provided in G.S. 25-12-105.
- (b) Control of Controllable Account and Controllable Payment Intangible. A secured party has control of a controllable account or controllable payment intangible if the secured party has control of the controllable electronic record that evidences the controllable account or controllable payment intangible."

SECTION 7. Article 9 of Chapter 25 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 25-9-107.2. No requirement to acknowledge or confirm; no duties.

- (a) No Requirement to Acknowledge. A person that has control under G.S. 25-9-104, 25-9-105, or 25-9-105.1 is not required to acknowledge that it has control on behalf of another person.
- (b) No Duties or Confirmation. If a person acknowledges that it has or will obtain control on behalf of another person, unless the person otherwise agrees or law other than this Article otherwise provides, the person does not owe any duty to the other person and is not required to confirm the acknowledgment to any other person."

SECTION 8. G.S. 25-9-203 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-203. Attachment and enforceability of security interest; proceeds; supporting obligations; formal requisites.

- (a) Attachment. A security interest attaches to collateral when it becomes enforceable against the debtor with respect to the collateral, unless an agreement expressly postpones the time of attachment.
- (b) Enforceability. Except as otherwise provided in subsections (c) through (i) of this section, a security interest is enforceable against the debtor and third parties with respect to the collateral only if:if all of the following apply:
 - (1) Value has been given; given.
 - (2) The debtor has rights in the collateral or the power to transfer rights in the collateral to a secured party; and party.
 - (3) One of the following conditions is met:
 - a. The debtor has <u>authenticated signed</u> a security agreement that provides a description of the collateral and, if the security interest covers timber to be cut, a description of the land <u>concerned; concerned.</u>
 - b. The collateral is not a certificated security and is in the possession of the secured party under G.S. 25-9-313 pursuant to the debtor's security agreement; agreement.
 - c. The collateral is a certificated security in registered form and the security certificate has been delivered to the secured party under G.S. 25-8-301 pursuant to the debtor's security agreement; oragreement.

- d. The collateral is <u>controllable accounts</u>, <u>controllable electronic records</u>, <u>controllable payment intangibles</u>, deposit accounts, <u>electronic chattel paper</u>, <u>electronic documents</u>, <u>electronic money</u>, investment property, <u>or letter-of-credit rights</u>, <u>or electronic documents</u>, and the secured party has control under G.S. 25-7-106, 25-9-104, <u>25-9-105</u>, <u>25-9-105.1</u>, 25-9-106, <u>or 25-9-107-25-9-107</u>, or 25-9-107.1 pursuant to the debtor's security agreement.
- e. The collateral is chattel paper, and the secured party has possession and control under G.S. 25-9-314.1 pursuant to the debtor's security agreement.
- (c) Other UCC provisions. Provisions. Subsection (b) of this section is subject to G.S. 25-4-208 on the security interest of a collecting bank, G.S. 25-5-118 on the security interest of a letter-of-credit issuer or nominated person, G.S. 25-9-110 on a security interest arising under Article 2 or 2A of this Chapter, and G.S. 25-9-206 on security interests in investment property.
- (d) When person becomes bound by another person's security agreement. Person Becomes Bound by Another Person's Security Agreement. A person becomes bound as debtor by a security agreement entered into by another person if, by operation of law other than this Article or by contract; either of the following applies:

 - (2) The person becomes generally obligated for the obligations of the other person, including the obligation secured under the security agreement, and acquires or succeeds to all or substantially all of the assets of the other person.
- (e) Effect of new debtor becoming bound. <u>New Debtor Becoming Bound.</u> If a new debtor becomes bound as debtor by a security agreement entered into by another <u>person; person</u>, both of the following apply:
 - (1) The agreement satisfies subdivision (b)(3) of this section with respect to existing or after-acquired property of the new debtor to the extent the property is described in the agreement; and agreement.
 - (2) Another agreement is not necessary to make a security interest in the property enforceable.
- (f) Proceeds and supporting obligations. Supporting Obligations.—The attachment of a security interest in collateral gives the secured party the rights to proceeds provided by G.S. 25-9-315 and is also an attachment of a security interest in a supporting obligation for the collateral.
- (g) Lien securing right to payment. <u>Securing Right to Payment.</u> The attachment of a security interest in a right to payment or performance secured by a security interest or other lien on personal or real property is also <u>an</u> attachment of a security interest in the security interest, mortgage, or other lien.
- (h) Security entitlement carried in securities account. <u>Entitlement Carried in Securities Account.</u> The attachment of a security interest in a securities account is also <u>an</u> attachment of a security interest in the security entitlements carried in the securities account.
- (i) Commodity contracts carried in commodity account. Contracts Carried in Commodity Account. The attachment of a security interest in a commodity account is also an attachment of a security interest in the commodity contracts carried in the commodity account."

SECTION 9. G.S. 25-9-204 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-204. After-acquired property; future advances.

(a) After acquired collateral. After-Acquired Collateral. – Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this section, a security agreement may create or provide for a security interest in after-acquired collateral.

- When after-acquired property clause not effective. A After-Acquired Property 1 (b) 2 3 4 (1) 5 6 7 A commercial tort claim. (2) 8 (b1) 9 10 (1) 11 12 (2) 13 (3) 14 15 (c) 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 (1) 30 31 32 33 (2) 34 35 (3) 36 37 (4) 38 a. 39 b. 40 41 c. 42 43 44 45
 - agreed by the debtor. Rights and duties when secured party in possession or control.—Duties When Secured <u>Party in Possession or Control. – Except as otherwise provided in subsection (d) of this section,</u> all of the following apply to a secured party having possession of collateral or control of collateral under G.S. 25-7-106, 25-9-104, 25-9-105, 25-9-105.1, 25-9-106, or 25-9-107; or 25-9-107.1:
 - (1) May The secured party may hold as additional security any proceeds, except money or funds, received from the collateral; collateral.

- Clause Not Effective. Subject to subsection (b1) of this section, a security interest does not attach under a term constituting an after-acquired property clause to:to either of the following: Consumer goods, other than an accession when given as additional security, unless the debtor acquires rights in them within 10 days after the secured party
 - gives value; orvalue.
- <u>Limitation on Subsection (b). Subsection (b) of this section does not prevent a</u> security interest from attaching to any of the following:
 - To consumer goods as proceeds under G.S. 25-9-315(a) or commingled goods under G.S. 25-9-336(c).
 - To a commercial tort claim as proceeds under G.S. 25-9-315(a).
 - Under an after-acquired property clause, to property that is proceeds of consumer goods or a commercial tort claim.
- Future advances and other value. —Advances and Other Value. A security agreement may provide that collateral secures, or that accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles, or promissory notes are sold in connection with future advances or other value, whether or not the advances or value are given pursuant to commitment."

SECTION 10. G.S. 25-9-207 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-207. Rights and duties of secured party having possession or control of collateral.

- Duty of care when secured party in possession. Care When Secured Party in Possession. – Except as otherwise provided in subsection (d) of this section, a secured party shall use reasonable care in the custody and preservation of collateral in the secured party's possession. In the case of chattel paper or an instrument, reasonable care includes taking necessary steps to preserve rights against prior parties unless otherwise agreed.
- Expenses, risks, duties, and rights when secured party in possession. Risks, Duties, and Rights When Secured Party in Possession. – Except as otherwise provided in subsection (d) of this section, if a secured party has possession of collateral; collateral, all of the following apply:
 - Reasonable expenses, including the cost of insurance and payment of taxes or other charges, incurred in the custody, preservation, use, or operation of the collateral are chargeable to the debtor and are secured by the collateral; collateral.
 - The risk of accidental loss or damage is on the debtor to the extent of a deficiency in any effective insurance eoverage; coverage.
 - The secured party shall keep the collateral identifiable, but fungible collateral may be commingled; and commingled.
 - The secured party may use or operate the collateral:collateral as follows:
 - For the purpose of preserving the collateral or its value; value.
 - As permitted by an order of a court having competent jurisdiction; orjurisdiction.
 - Except in the case of consumer goods, in the manner and to the extent

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- Shall—The secured party shall apply money or funds received from the collateral to reduce the secured obligation, unless remitted to the debtor; anddebtor.
- May The secured party may create a security interest in the collateral.
- Buyer of certain rights to payment. —Certain Rights to Payment. —If the secured party is a buyer of accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles, or promissory notes or a consignor: consignor, both of the following apply:
 - Subsection (a) of this section does not apply unless the secured party is entitled under an agreement: agreement to either of the following:
 - To charge back uncollected collateral; orcollateral.
 - Otherwise to full or limited recourse against the debtor or a secondary obligor based on the nonpayment or other default of an account debtor or other obligor on the collateral; and collateral.
 - Subsections (b) and (c) of this section do not apply."

SECTION 11. G.S. 25-9-208 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-208. Additional duties of secured party having control of collateral.

- Applicability of section. —Section. —This section applies to cases in which there is no outstanding secured obligation and the secured party is not committed to make advances, incur obligations, or otherwise give value.
- Duties of secured party after receiving demand from debtor. Secured Party After Receiving Demand from Debtor. – Within 10 days after receiving an authenticated a signed demand by the debtor: debtor, all of the following apply:
 - A secured party having control of a deposit account under G.S. 25-9-104(a)(2) shall send to the bank with which the deposit account is maintained an authenticated statement a signed record that releases the bank from any further obligation to comply with instructions originated by the secured party; party.
 - A secured party having control of a deposit account under G.S. 25-9-104(a)(3) shall:shall do either of the following:
 - Pay the debtor the balance on deposit in the deposit account; oraccount.
 - Transfer the balance on deposit into a deposit account in the debtor's name;name.
 - A secured party, other than a buyer, having control of electronic chattel paper under G.S. 25-9-105 shall:
 - Communicate the authoritative copy of the electronic chattel paper to the debtor or its designated custodian;
 - If the debtor designates a custodian that is the designated custodian with which the authoritative copy of the electronic chattel paper is maintained for the secured party, communicate to the custodian an authenticated record releasing the designated custodian from any further obligation to comply with instructions originated by the secured party and instructing the custodian to comply with instructions originated by the debtor; and
 - Take appropriate action to enable the debtor or its designated custodian to make copies of or revisions to the authoritative copy which add or change an identified assignee of the authoritative copy without the consent of the secured party;

A secured party, other than a buyer, having control under G.S. 25-9-105 of an authoritative electronic copy of a record evidencing chattel paper shall transfer control of the electronic copy to the debtor or a person designated by the debtor.

- (4) A secured party having control of investment property under G.S. 25-8-106(d)(2) or G.S. 25-9-106(b) shall send to the securities intermediary or commodity intermediary with which the security entitlement or commodity contract is maintained an authenticated a signed record that releases the securities intermediary or commodity intermediary from any further obligation to comply with entitlement orders or directions originated by the secured party;party.
- (5) A secured party having control of a letter-of-credit right under G.S. 25-9-107 shall send to each person having an unfulfilled obligation to pay or deliver proceeds of the letter of credit to the secured party an authenticated a signed release from any further obligation to pay or deliver proceeds of the letter of credit to the secured party; and party.
- (6) A secured party having control of an electronic document shall:
 - a. Give control of the electronic document to the debtor or its designated custodian;
 - b. If the debtor designates a custodian that is the designated custodian with which the authoritative copy of the electronic document is maintained for the secured party, communicate to the custodian an authenticated record releasing the designated custodian from any further obligation to comply with instructions originated by the secured party and instructing the custodian to comply with instructions originated by the debtor; and
 - c. Take appropriate action to enable the debtor or its designated custodian to make copies of or revisions to the authoritative copy which add or change an identified assignee of the authoritative copy without the consent of the secured party.

A secured party having control under G.S. 25-7-106 of an authoritative electronic copy of an electronic document shall transfer control of the electronic copy to the debtor or a person designated by the debtor.

- (7) A secured party having control under G.S. 25-9-105.1 of electronic money shall transfer control of the electronic money to the debtor or a person designated by the debtor.
- (8) A secured party having control under G.S. 25-12-105 of a controllable electronic record, other than a buyer of a controllable account or controllable payment intangible evidenced by the controllable electronic record, shall transfer control of the controllable electronic record to the debtor or a person designated by the debtor."

SECTION 12. G.S. 25-9-209 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-209. Duties of secured party if account debtor has been notified of assignment.

- (a) Applicability of section. <u>Section. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c)</u> of this section, this section applies <u>if:if there</u>
 - (1) There is no outstanding secured obligation; obligation and the
 - (2) The secured party is not committed to make advances, incur obligations, or otherwise give value.
- (b) Duties of secured party after receiving demand from debtor. Secured Party After Receiving Demand from Debtor. Within 10 days after receiving an authenticated a signed demand by the debtor, a secured party shall send to an account debtor that has received notification under G.S. 25-9-406(a) or G.S. 25-12-106(b) of an assignment to the secured party as assignee under G.S. 25-9-406(a) an authenticated a signed record that releases the account debtor from any further obligation to the secured party.

(c) Inapplicability to sales. <u>Sales.</u> This section does not apply to an assignment constituting the sale of an account, chattel paper, or payment intangible."

SECTION 13. G.S. 25-9-210 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-210. Request for accounting; request regarding list of collateral or statement of account.

- (a) Definitions. In this section; section, the following definitions apply:
 - (1) "Request" means a Request. A record of a type described in subdivision (2), (3), or (4) of this subsection.
 - (2) "Request for an accounting" means a Request for an accounting. A record authenticated signed by a debtor requesting that the recipient provide an accounting of the unpaid obligations secured by collateral and reasonably identifying the transaction or relationship that is the subject of the request.
 - (3) "Request regarding a list of collateral" means a Request regarding a list of collateral. A record authenticated signed by a debtor requesting that the recipient approve or correct a list of what the debtor believes to be the collateral securing an obligation and reasonably identifying the transaction or relationship that is the subject of the request.
 - (4) "Request regarding a statement of account" means a Request regarding a statement of account. A record authenticated signed by a debtor requesting that the recipient approve or correct a statement indicating what the debtor believes to be the aggregate amount of unpaid obligations secured by collateral as of a specified date and reasonably identifying the transaction or relationship that is the subject of the request.
- (b) Duty to respond to requests. Respond to Requests. Subject to subsections (c), (d), (e), and (f) of this section, a secured party, other than a buyer of accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles, or promissory notes or a consignor, shall comply with a request within 14 days after receipt:receipt as follows:
 - (1) In the case of a request for an accounting, by authenticating signing and sending to the debtor an accounting; and accounting.
 - (2) In the case of a request regarding a list of collateral or a request regarding a statement of account, by <u>authenticating signing</u> and sending to the debtor an approval or correction.
- (c) Request regarding list of collateral; statement concerning type of collateral.

 Regarding List of Collateral; Statement Concerning Type of Collateral. A secured party that claims a security interest in all of a particular type of collateral owned by the debtor may comply with a request regarding a list of collateral by sending to the debtor an authenticated a signed record including a statement to that effect within 14 days after receipt.
- (d) Request regarding list of collateral; no interest claimed. Regarding List of Collateral; No Interest Claimed. A person that receives a request regarding a list of collateral, claims no interest in the collateral when it receives the request, and claimed an interest in the collateral at an earlier time shall comply with the request within 14 days after receipt by sending to the debtor an authenticated record: a signed record that does both of the following:
 - (1) <u>Disclaiming Disclaims</u> any interest in the <u>collateral</u>; and <u>collateral</u>.
 - (2) If known to the recipient, <u>providing provides</u> the name and mailing address of any assignee of or successor to the recipient's interest in the collateral.
- (e) Request for accounting or regarding statement of account; no interest in obligation elaimed.—Accounting or Regarding Statement of Account; No Interest in Obligation Claimed.

 _A person that receives a request for an accounting or a request regarding a statement of account, claims no interest in the obligations when it receives the request, and claimed an interest in the obligations at an earlier time shall comply with the request within 14 days after receipt by sending to the debtor an authenticated record: a signed record that does both of the following:

- (1) <u>Disclaiming Disclaims</u> any interest in the <u>obligations</u>; and <u>obligations</u>.
- (2) If known to the recipient, <u>providing provides</u> the name and mailing address of any assignee of or successor to the recipient's interest in the obligations.
- (f) Charges for <u>responses</u>. <u>Responses</u>. <u>A</u> debtor is entitled without charge to one response to a request under this section during any six-month period. The secured party may require payment of a charge not exceeding twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each additional response."

SECTION 14. G.S. 25-9-301 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-301. Law governing perfection and priority of security interests.

Except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-9-303 through G.S. 25-9-306, G.S. 25-9-306.2, the following rules determine the law governing perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of a security interest in collateral:

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, while a debtor is located in a jurisdiction, the local law of that jurisdiction governs perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of a security interest in collateral.
- (2) While collateral is located in a jurisdiction, the local law of that jurisdiction governs perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of a possessory security interest in that collateral.
- (3) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph subdivision (4) of this section, while tangible negotiable tangible documents, goods, instruments, money, or tangible chattel paper or tangible money is located in a jurisdiction, the local law of that jurisdiction governs:governs all of the following:
 - a. Perfection of a security interest in the goods by filing a fixture filing; filing.
 - b. Perfection of a security interest in timber to be eut; and cut.
 - c. The effect of perfection or nonperfection and the priority of a nonpossessory security interest in the collateral.
- (4) The local law of the jurisdiction in which the wellhead or minehead is located governs perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of a security interest in as-extracted collateral."

SECTION 15. G.S. 25-9-304 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-304. Law governing perfection and priority of security interests in deposit accounts.

- (a) Law of bank's jurisdiction governs. <u>Bank's Jurisdiction Governs.</u> The local law of a bank's jurisdiction governs perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of a security interest in a deposit account maintained with that <u>bank.bank even if the transaction does not bear any relation to the bank's jurisdiction.</u>
- (b) Bank's jurisdiction. <u>Jurisdiction</u>. The following rules determine a bank's jurisdiction for purposes of this Part:

SECTION 16. G.S. 25-9-305 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-305. Law governing perfection and priority of security interests in investment property.

- (a) Governing law: general rules. General Rules for Governing Law. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c) of this section, the following rules apply:
 - (1) While a security certificate is located in a jurisdiction, the local law of that jurisdiction governs perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of a security interest in the certificated security represented thereby.
 - (2) The local law of the issuer's jurisdiction as specified in G.S. 25-8-110(d) governs perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of a security interest in an uncertificated security.

- (3) The local law of the securities intermediary's jurisdiction as specified in G.S. 25-8-110(e) governs perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of a security interest in a security entitlement or securities account.
- (4) The local law of the commodity intermediary's jurisdiction governs perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of a security interest in a commodity contract or commodity account.
- (5) Subdivisions (2), (3), and (4) of this subsection apply even if the transaction does not bear any relation to the jurisdiction.
- (b) Commodity intermediary's jurisdiction. —Intermediary's Jurisdiction. —The following rules determine a commodity intermediary's jurisdiction for purposes of this Part:

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- (c) When perfection governed by law of jurisdiction where debtor located. Perfection Governed by Law of Jurisdiction Where Debtor Located. The local law of the jurisdiction in which the debtor is located governs:governs all of the following:
 - (1) Perfection of a security interest in investment property by filing; filing.
 - (2) Automatic perfection of a security interest in investment property created by a broker or securities intermediary; and intermediary.
 - (3) Automatic perfection of a security interest in a commodity contract or commodity account created by a commodity intermediary."

SECTION 17. Article 9 of Chapter 25 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 25-9-306.1. Law governing perfection and priority of security interests in chattel paper.

- (a) Chattel Paper Evidenced by Authoritative Electronic Copy. Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, if chattel paper is evidenced only by an authoritative electronic copy of the chattel paper or is evidenced by an authoritative electronic copy and an authoritative tangible copy, the local law of the chattel paper's jurisdiction governs perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of a security interest in the chattel paper, even if the transaction does not bear any relation to the chattel paper's jurisdiction.
- (b) Chattel Paper's Jurisdiction. The following rules determine the chattel paper's jurisdiction under this section:
 - (1) If the authoritative electronic copy of the record evidencing chattel paper, or a record attached to or logically associated with the electronic copy and readily available for review, expressly provides that a particular jurisdiction is the chattel paper's jurisdiction for purposes of this Part, this Article, or this Chapter, that jurisdiction is the chattel paper's jurisdiction.
 - (2) If subdivision (1) of this subsection does not apply and the rules of the system in which the authoritative electronic copy is recorded are readily available for review and expressly provide that a particular jurisdiction is the chattel paper's jurisdiction for purposes of this Part, this Article, or this Chapter, that jurisdiction is the chattel paper's jurisdiction.
 - (3) If subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection do not apply and the authoritative electronic copy, or a record attached to or logically associated with the electronic copy and readily available for review, expressly provides that the chattel paper is governed by the law of a particular jurisdiction, that jurisdiction is the chattel paper's jurisdiction.
 - (4) If subdivisions (1), (2), and (3) of this subsection do not apply and the rules of the system in which the authoritative electronic copy is recorded are readily available for review and expressly provide that the chattel paper or the system is governed by the law of a particular jurisdiction, that jurisdiction is the chattel paper's jurisdiction.

- (5) If subdivisions (1) through (4) of this subsection do not apply, the chattel paper's jurisdiction is the jurisdiction in which the debtor is located.
- (c) Chattel Paper Evidenced by Authoritative Tangible Copy. If an authoritative tangible copy of a record evidences chattel paper and the chattel paper is not evidenced by an authoritative electronic copy, while the authoritative tangible copy of the record evidencing chattel paper is located in a jurisdiction, the local law of that jurisdiction governs both of the following:
 - (1) Perfection of a security interest in the chattel paper by possession under G.S. 25-9-314.1.
 - (2) The effect of perfection or nonperfection and the priority of a security interest in the chattel paper.
- (d) When Perfection Governed by Law of Jurisdiction Where Debtor Located. The local law of the jurisdiction in which the debtor is located governs perfection of a security interest in chattel paper by filing."

SECTION 18. Article 9 of Chapter 25 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 25-9-306.2. Law governing perfection and priority of security interests in controllable accounts, controllable electronic records, and controllable payment intangibles.

- (a) General Rules for Governing Law. Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the local law of the controllable electronic record's jurisdiction specified in G.S. 25-12-107(c) and (d) governs perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of a security interest in a controllable electronic record and a security interest in a controllable account or controllable payment intangible evidenced by the controllable electronic record.
- (b) When Perfection Governed by Law of Jurisdiction Where Debtor Located. The local law of the jurisdiction in which the debtor is located governs both of the following:
 - (1) Perfection of a security interest in a controllable account, controllable electronic record, or controllable payment intangible by filing.
 - (2) Automatic perfection of a security interest in a controllable payment intangible created by a sale of the controllable payment intangible."

SECTION 19. G.S. 25-9-310 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-310. When filing required to perfect security interest or agricultural lien; security interests and agricultural liens to which filing provisions do not apply.

- (a) General rule: perfection by filing. Rule for Perfection by Filing. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this section and G.S. 25-9-312(b), a financing statement must be filed to perfect all security interests and agricultural liens.
- (b) <u>Exceptions: filing not necessary.</u> <u>Exceptions When Filing Not Necessary.</u> The filing of a financing statement is not necessary to perfect <u>a security interest:</u> <u>any of the following security interests:</u>
 - (1) That A security interest that is perfected under G.S. 25-9-308(d), (e), (f), or (g); G.S. 25-9-308(d), (e), (f), or (g).
 - (2) That—A security interest that is perfected under G.S. 25-9-309 when it attaches; attaches.
 - (3) In-A security interest in property subject to a statute, regulation, or treaty described in G.S. 25-9-311(a); G.S. 25-9-311(a).
 - (4) In A security interest in goods in possession of a bailee which that is perfected under G.S. 25-9-312(d)(1) or (2);G.S. 25-9-312(d)(1) or (2).
 - (5) <u>In A security interest in certificated securities</u>, documents, goods, or instruments which that is perfected without filing, control, or possession under G.S. 25-9-312(e), (f), or (g); G.S. 25-9-312(e), (f), or (g).

- **General Assembly Of North Carolina** Session 2025 1 In-A security interest in collateral in the secured party's possession under (6) 2 G.S. 25-9-313; G.S. 25-9-313. 3 In-A security interest in a certificated security which that is perfected by **(7)** 4 delivery of the security certificate to the secured party under 5 G.S. 25-9-313; G.S. 25-9-313. 6 In-A security interest in controllable accounts, controllable electronic records, (8) controllable payment intangibles, deposit accounts, electronic chattel paper, 7 8 electronic documents, investment property, or letter-of-credit rights which 9 that is perfected by control under G.S. 25-9-314; G.S. 25-9-314. 10 A security interest in chattel paper that is perfected by possession and control (8a) 11 under G.S. 25-9-314.1. In A security interest in proceeds which that is perfected under G.S. 25 9-315; 12 (9) 13 orG.S. 25-9-315. 14 That A security interest that is perfected under G.S. 25-9-316. Assignment of perfected security interest. —Perfected Security Interest. —If a secured 15 (c) party assigns a perfected security interest or agricultural lien, a filing under this Article is not 16 17 required to continue the perfected status of the security interest against creditors of and 18 transferees from the original debtor." 19 **SECTION 20.** G.S. 25-9-312 reads as rewritten: 20 "§ 25-9-312. Perfection of security interests in chattel paper, controllable accounts, controllable electronic records, controllable payment intangibles, deposit 21 accounts, negotiable documents, goods covered by documents, instruments. 22 investment property, letter-of-credit rights, and money; perfection by 23 24 permissive filing; temporary perfection without filing or transfer of possession. 25 Perfection by filing permitted. —Filing Permitted. — A security interest in chattel (a) 26 paper, negotiable documents, controllable accounts, controllable electronic records, controllable 27 payment intangibles, instruments, or investment property investment property, or negotiable 28 documents may be perfected by filing. 29 Control or possession of certain collateral. —Possession of Certain Collateral. — 30 Except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-9-315(c) and (d) for proceeds; proceeds, all of the 31 following apply: 32 A security interest in a deposit account may be perfected only by control under (1) 33 G.S. 25-9-314; G.S. 25-9-314. 34 (2) And except Except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-9-308(d), a security 35 interest in a letter-of-credit right may be perfected only by control under G.S. 36 25-9-314; and G.S. 25-9-314. 37 A security interest in tangible money may be perfected only by the secured (3) 38 party's taking possession under G.S. 25-9-313. 39 A security interest in electronic money may be perfected only by control under <u>(4)</u> 40 G.S. 25-9-314. 41 Goods covered by negotiable document.—Covered by Negotiable Document. – While 42 goods are in the possession of a bailee that has issued a negotiable document covering the 43 goods: goods, both of the following apply: 44 A security interest in the goods may be perfected by perfecting a security (1) 45 interest in the document; and document. A security interest perfected in the document has priority over any security 46 (2)
- While goods are in the possession of a bailee that has issued a nonnegotiable document covering 50 the goods, a security interest in the goods may be perfected by:by any of the following: 51

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Goods covered by nonnegotiable document.—Covered by Nonnegotiable Document.

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- (1) Issuance of a document in the name of the secured party; party.
- (2) The bailee's receipt of notification of the secured party's interest; orinterest.
- (3) Filing as to the goods.
- (e) Temporary perfection: new value. Perfection for New Value. A security interest in certificated securities, negotiable documents, or instruments is perfected without filing or the taking of possession or control for a period of 20 days from the time it attaches to the extent that it arises for new value given under an authenticated a signed security agreement.
- (f) Temporary perfection: goods or documents made available to debtor. Perfection for Goods or Documents Made Available to Debtor. A perfected security interest in a negotiable document or goods in possession of a bailee, other than one that has issued a negotiable document for the goods, remains perfected for 20 days without filing if the secured party makes available to the debtor the goods or documents representing the goods for the purpose of: of either of the following:
 - (1) Ultimate sale or exchange; or exchange.
 - (2) Loading, unloading, storing, shipping, transshipping, manufacturing, processing, or otherwise dealing with them in a manner preliminary to their sale or exchange.
- (g) Temporary perfection: delivery of security certificate or instrument to debtor.

 Perfection for Delivery of Security Certificate or Instrument to Debtor. A perfected security interest in a certificated security or instrument remains perfected for 20 days without filing if the secured party delivers the security certificate or instrument to the debtor for the purpose of:of either of the following:
 - (1) Ultimate sale or exchange; or exchange.
 - (2) Presentation, collection, enforcement, renewal, or registration of transfer.
- (h) Expiration of temporary perfection. <u>Temporary Perfection</u>. After the 20-day period specified in subsection (e), (f), or (g) of this section expires, perfection depends upon compliance with this Article."

SECTION 21. G.S. 25-9-313 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-313. When possession by or delivery to secured party perfects security interest without filing.

- (a) Perfection by possession or delivery. Possession or Delivery. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this section, a secured party may perfect a security interest in tangible negotiable documents, goods, instruments, money, or tangible chattel paper negotiable tangible documents, or tangible money by taking possession of the collateral. A secured party may perfect a security interest in certificated securities by taking delivery of the certificated securities under G.S. 25-8-301.
- (b) Goods covered by certificate of title. Covered by Certificate of Title. With respect to goods covered by a certificate of title issued by this State, a secured party may perfect a security interest in the goods by taking possession of the goods only in the circumstances described in G.S. 25-9-316(d).
- (c) Collateral in possession of person other than debtor. Possession of Person Other Than Debtor. With respect to collateral other than certificated securities and goods covered by a document, a secured party takes possession of collateral in the possession of a person other than the debtor, the secured party, or a lessee of the collateral from the debtor in the ordinary course of the debtor's business, when:when either of the following applies:
 - (1) The person in possession authenticates signs a record acknowledging that it holds possession of the collateral for the secured party's benefit; orbenefit.
 - (2) The person takes possession of the collateral after having authenticated signed a record acknowledging that it will hold possession of the collateral for the secured party's benefit.

- (d) Time of perfection by possession; continuation of perfection. Perfection by Possession; Continuation of Perfection. If perfection of a security interest depends upon possession of the collateral by a secured party, perfection occurs no not earlier than the time the secured party takes possession and continues only while the secured party retains possession.
- (e) Time of perfection by delivery; continuation of perfection. Perfection by Delivery; Continuation of Perfection. A security interest in a certificated security in registered form is perfected by delivery when delivery of the certificated security occurs under G.S. 25-8-301 and remains perfected by delivery until the debtor obtains possession of the security certificate.
- (f) Acknowledgment not required. Not Required. A person in possession of collateral is not required to acknowledge that it holds possession for a secured party's benefit.
- (g) Effectiveness of acknowledgment; no duties or confirmation. <u>Acknowledgment; No Duties or Confirmation.</u> If a person acknowledges that it holds possession for the secured party's benefit; both of the following apply:
 - (1) The acknowledgment is effective under subsection (c) of this section or G.S. 25-8-301(a), even if the acknowledgment violates the rights of a debtor; anddebtor.
 - (2) Unless the person otherwise agrees or law other than this Article otherwise provides, the person does not owe any duty to the secured party and is not required to confirm the acknowledgment to another person.
- (h) Secured party's delivery to person other than debtor. Party's Delivery to Person Other Than Debtor. A secured party having possession of collateral does not relinquish possession by delivering the collateral to a person other than the debtor or a lessee of the collateral from the debtor in the ordinary course of the debtor's business if the person was instructed before the delivery or is instructed contemporaneously with the delivery: delivery to do either of the following:
 - (1) To hold possession of the collateral for the secured party's benefit; or benefit.
 - (2) To redeliver the collateral to the secured party.
- (i) Effect of delivery under subsection (h); no duties or confirmation. Delivery Under Subsection (h); No Duties or Confirmation. A secured party does not relinquish possession, even if a delivery under subsection (h) of this section violates the rights of a debtor. A person to which collateral is delivered under subsection (h) of this section does not owe any duty to the secured party and is not required to confirm the delivery to another person unless the person otherwise agrees or law other than this Article otherwise provides."

SECTION 22. G.S. 25-9-314 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-314. Perfection by control.

- (a) Perfection by control. Control. A security interest in investment property, deposit accounts, letter of credit rights, electronic chattel paper, or electronic documents controllable accounts, controllable electronic records, controllable payment intangibles, deposit accounts, electronic documents, electronic money, investment property, or letter-of-credit rights may be perfected by control of the collateral under G.S. 25-7-106, 25-9-104, 25-9-105, 25-9-105.1, 25-9-106, or 25-9-107.25-9-107, or 25-9-107.1.
- (b) Specified collateral: time of perfection by control; continuation of perfection. Collateral; Time of Perfection by Control; Continuation of Perfection. A security interest in deposit accounts, electronic chattel paper, letter-of-credit rights, or electronic documents controllable accounts, controllable electronic records, controllable payment intangibles, deposit accounts, electronic documents, electronic money, or letter-of-credit rights is perfected by control under G.S. 25-7-106, 25-9-104, 25-9-105, or 25-9-107 when 25-9-105.1, 25-9-107, or 25-9-107.1 not earlier than the time the secured party obtains control and remains perfected by control only while the secured party retains control.
- (c) Investment property: time of perfection by control; continuation of perfection.

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investment property is perfected by control under G.S. 25-9-106 from not earlier than the time 1 2 the secured party obtains control and remains perfected by control until:until both of the 3 following occur: 4

- The secured party does not have control; and control. (1)
- (2) One of the following occurs:
 - If the collateral is a certificated security, the debtor has or acquires possession of the security certificate; certificate.
 - If the collateral is an uncertificated security, the issuer has registered b. or registers the debtor as the registered owner; or owner.
 - If the collateral is a security entitlement, the debtor is or becomes the c. entitlement holder."

SECTION 23. Article 9 of Chapter 25 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 25-9-314.1. Perfection by possession and control of chattel paper.

- Perfection by Possession and Control. A secured party may perfect a security interest in chattel paper by taking possession of each authoritative tangible copy of the record evidencing the chattel paper and obtaining control of each authoritative electronic copy of the electronic record evidencing the chattel paper.
- Time of Perfection; Continuation of Perfection. A security interest is perfected (b) under subsection (a) of this section not earlier than the time the secured party takes possession and obtains control and remains perfected under subsection (a) of this section only while the secured party retains possession and control.
- Application of G.S. 25-9-313 to Perfection by Possession of Chattel Paper. G.S. 25-9-313(c) and (f) through (i) apply to perfection by possession of an authoritative tangible copy of a record evidencing chattel paper."

SECTION 24. G.S. 25-9-316 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-316. Effect of change in governing law.

- General rule: effect on perfection of change in governing law. Rule for Effect on Perfection of Change in Governing Law. – A security interest perfected pursuant to the law of the jurisdiction designated in G.S. 25-9-301(1) or G.S. 25-9-305(c) G.S. 25-9-301(1), 25-9-305(c), 25-9-306.1(d), or 25-9-306.2(b) remains perfected until the earliest of: of the following:
 - The time perfection would have ceased under the law of that (1) jurisdiction; jurisdiction.
 - The expiration of four months after a change of the debtor's location to another (2) jurisdiction; orjurisdiction.
 - The expiration of one year after a transfer of collateral to a person that thereby (3) becomes a debtor and is located in another jurisdiction.
- Security interest perfected or unperfected under law of new jurisdiction. Interest (b) <u>Perfected or Unperfected Under Law of New Jurisdiction.</u> – If a security interest described in subsection (a) of this section becomes perfected under the law of the other jurisdiction before the earliest time or event described in that subsection, it remains perfected thereafter. If the security interest does not become perfected under the law of the other jurisdiction before the earliest time or event, it becomes unperfected and is deemed never to have been perfected as against a purchaser of the collateral for value.
- Possessory security interest in collateral moved to new jurisdiction.—Security Interest in Collateral Moved to New Jurisdiction. – A possessory security interest in collateral, other than goods covered by a certificate of title and as-extracted collateral consisting of goods, remains continuously perfected if: if all of the following apply:
 - The collateral is located in one jurisdiction and subject to a security interest (1) perfected under the law of that jurisdiction; jurisdiction.

- (2) Thereafter the collateral is brought into another jurisdiction; and jurisdiction.
 (3) Upon entry into the other jurisdiction, the security interest is perfected under
- (3) Upon entry into the other jurisdiction, the security interest is perfected under the law of the other jurisdiction.
- (d) Goods eovered by certificate of title from this State. Covered by Certificate of Title from this State. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (e) of this section, a security interest in goods covered by a certificate of title which that is perfected by any method under the law of another jurisdiction when the goods become covered by a certificate of title from this State remains perfected until the security interest would have become unperfected under the law of the other jurisdiction had the goods not become so covered.
- (e) When subsection (d) security interest becomes unperfected against purchasers. Subsection (d) Security Interest Becomes Unperfected Against Purchasers. A security interest described in subsection (d) of this section becomes unperfected as against a purchaser of the goods for value and is deemed never to have been perfected as against a purchaser of the goods for value if the applicable requirements for perfection under G.S. 25-9-311(b) or G.S. 25-9-313 are not satisfied before the earlier of: of the following:
 - (1) The time the security interest would have become unperfected under the law of the other jurisdiction had the goods not become covered by a certificate of title from this State; or State; or State.
 - (2) The expiration of four months after the goods had become so covered.
- (f) Change in jurisdiction of bank, issuer, nominated person, securities intermediary, or commodity intermediary. Jurisdiction of Chattel Paper, Controllable Electronic Record, Bank, Issuer, Nominated Person, Securities Intermediary, or Commodity Intermediary. A security interest in chattel paper, controllable accounts, controllable electronic records, controllable payment intangibles, deposit accounts, letter-of-credit rights, or investment property which that is perfected under the law of the chattel paper's jurisdiction, the controllable electronic record's jurisdiction, the bank's jurisdiction, the issuer's jurisdiction, a nominated person's jurisdiction, the securities intermediary's jurisdiction, or the commodity intermediary's jurisdiction, as applicable, remains perfected until the earlier of:of the following:
 - (1) The time the security interest would have become unperfected under the law of that jurisdiction; or jurisdiction.
 - (2) The expiration of four months after a change of the applicable jurisdiction to another jurisdiction.
- (g) Subsection (f) security interest perfected or unperfected under law of new jurisdiction.—Security Interest Perfected or Unperfected Under Law of New Jurisdiction.—If a security interest described in subsection (f) of this section becomes perfected under the law of the other jurisdiction before the earlier of the time or the end of the period described in that subsection, it remains perfected thereafter. If the security interest does not become perfected under the law of the other jurisdiction before the earlier of that time or the end of that period, it becomes unperfected and is deemed never to have been perfected as against a purchaser of the collateral for value.

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(i) Effect of Change in Governing Law on Financing Statement Filed Against Original Debtor. – If a financing statement naming an original debtor is filed pursuant to the law of the jurisdiction designated in G.S. 25-9-301(1) or G.S. 25-9-305(c) and the new debtor is located in another jurisdiction, the following rules apply:

(2) A security interest perfected by the financing statement and which that becomes perfected under the law of the other jurisdiction before the earlier of the time the financing statement would have become ineffective under the law of the jurisdiction designated in G.S. 25-9-301(1) or G.S. 25-9-305(c) or the expiration of the four-month period remains perfected thereafter. A security

interest that is perfected by the financing statement but which that does not become perfected under the law of the other jurisdiction before the earlier time or event becomes unperfected and is deemed never to have been perfected as against a purchaser of the collateral for value."

SECTION 25. G.S. 25-9-317 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-317. Interests that take priority over or take free of security interest or agricultural lien.

- (a) Conflicting security interests and rights of lien creditors. Security Interests and Rights of Lien Creditors. —A security interest or agricultural lien is subordinate to the rights of: both of the following:
 - (1) A person entitled to priority under G.S. 25-9-322; and G.S. 25-9-322.
 - (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (e) of this section, a person that becomes a lien creditor before the earlier of the time: following:
 - a. The security interest or agricultural lien is perfected; or perfected.
 - b. One of the conditions specified in G.S. 25-9-203(b)(3) is met and a financing statement covering the collateral is filed.
- (b) Buyers that receive delivery. That Receive Delivery. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (e) of this section, a buyer, other than a secured party, of tangible chattel paper, tangible documents, goods, instruments, tangible documents, or a certificated security takes free of a security interest or agricultural lien if the buyer gives value and receives delivery of the collateral without knowledge of the security interest or agricultural lien and before it is perfected.
- (c) Lessees that receive delivery. <u>That Receive Delivery</u>. <u>Except</u> as otherwise provided in subsection (e) of this section, a lessee of goods takes free of a security interest or agricultural lien if the lessee gives value and receives delivery of the collateral without knowledge of the security interest or agricultural lien and before it is perfected.
- (d) Licensees and buyers of certain collateral. A Buyers of Certain Collateral. Subject to subsections (f) through (i) of this section, a licensee of a general intangible or a buyer, other than a secured party, of collateral other than tangible chattel paper, tangible documents, electronic money, goods, instruments, tangible documents, or a certificated security takes free of a security interest if the licensee or buyer gives value without knowledge of the security interest and before it is perfected.
- (e) <u>Purchase money security interest.</u> <u>Purchase-Money Security Interest.</u> <u>Except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-9-320 and G.S. 25-9-321, if a person files a financing statement with respect to a purchase-money security interest before or within 20 days after the debtor receives delivery of the collateral, the security interest takes priority over the rights of a buyer, lessee, or lien creditor <u>which-that</u> arise between the time the security interest attaches and the time of filing.</u>
- (f) Buyers of Chattel Paper. A buyer, other than a secured party, of chattel paper takes free of a security interest if, without knowledge of the security interest and before it is perfected, the buyer gives value and does both of the following:
 - (1) Receives delivery of each authoritative tangible copy of the record evidencing the chattel paper.
 - (2) If each authoritative electronic copy of the record evidencing the chattel paper can be subjected to control under G.S. 25-9-105, obtains control of each authoritative electronic copy.
- (g) Buyers of Electronic Documents. A buyer of an electronic document takes free of a security interest if, without knowledge of the security interest and before it is perfected, the buyer gives value and, if each authoritative electronic copy of the document can be subjected to control under G.S. 25-7-106, obtains control of each authoritative electronic copy.

- (h) Buyers of Controllable Electronic Records. A buyer of a controllable electronic record takes free of a security interest if, without knowledge of the security interest and before it is perfected, the buyer gives value and obtains control of the controllable electronic record.
- (i) Buyers of Controllable Accounts and Controllable Payment Intangibles. A buyer, other than a secured party, of a controllable account or a controllable payment intangible takes free of a security interest if, without knowledge of the security interest and before it is perfected, the buyer gives value and obtains control of the controllable account or controllable payment intangible."

SECTION 26. G.S. 25-9-323 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-323. Future advances.

- (a) When priority based on time of advance. Priority Based on Time of Advance. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c) of this section, for purposes of determining the priority of a perfected security interest under G.S. 25-9-322(a)(1), perfection of the security interest dates from the time an advance is made to the extent that the security interest secures an advance that:that meets both of the following conditions:
 - (1) <u>Is-The advance is made</u> while the security interest is perfected <u>only:only under</u> either of the following:
 - a. Under G.S. 25-9-309 when it attaches; or attaches.
 - b. Temporarily under G.S. 25-9-312(e), (f), or (g); and G.S. 25-9-312(e), (f), or (g).
 - (2) <u>Is-The advance is not made pursuant to a commitment entered into before or while the security interest is perfected by a method other than under G.S. 25-9-309 or G.S. 25-9-312(e), (f), or (g).</u>
- (b) Lien <u>creditor.</u> <u>Creditor.</u> Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c) of this section, a security interest is subordinate to the rights of a person that becomes a lien creditor to the extent that the security interest secures an advance made more than 45 days after the person becomes a lien creditor unless the advance is <u>made:made under either of the following circumstances:</u>
 - (1) Without knowledge of the lien; orlien.
 - (2) Pursuant to a commitment entered into without knowledge of the lien.
- (c) Buyer of <u>receivables</u>. <u>Receivables</u>. <u>Subsections</u> (a) and (b) of this section do not apply to a security interest held by a secured party that is a buyer of accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles, or promissory notes or a consignor.
- (d) Buyer of goods. <u>Goods.</u> Except as otherwise provided in subsection (e) of this section, a buyer of goods other than a buyer in ordinary course of business takes free of a security interest to the extent that it secures advances made after the earlier of: of the following:
 - (1) The time the secured party acquires knowledge of the buyer's purchase; orpurchase.
 - (2) 45-Forty-five days after the purchase.
- (e) Advances made pursuant to commitment: priority of buyer of goods. <u>Made Pursuant to Commitment; Priority of Buyer of Goods.</u> Subsection (d) of this section does not apply if the advance is made pursuant to a commitment entered into without knowledge of the buyer's purchase and before the expiration of the 45-day period.
- (f) Lessee of goods. <u>Goods</u>. <u>Except</u> as otherwise provided in subsection (g) of this section, a lessee of goods, other than a lessee in ordinary course of business, goods takes the leasehold interest free of a security interest to the extent that it secures advances made after the earlier of:of the following:
 - (1) The time the secured party acquires knowledge of the lease; orlease.
 - (2) 45-<u>Forty-five</u> days after the lease contract becomes enforceable.
- (g) Advances made pursuant to commitment: priority of lessee of goods. <u>Made Pursuant to Commitment; Priority of Lessee of Goods.</u> Subsection (f) of this section does not apply if

the advance is made pursuant to a commitment entered into without knowledge of the lease and before the expiration of the 45-day period."

SECTION 27. G.S. 25-9-324 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-324. Priority of purchase-money security interests.

- (a) General rule: purchase-money priority. Rule for Purchase-Money Priority. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (g) of this section, a perfected purchase-money security interest in goods other than inventory or livestock has priority over a conflicting security interest in the same goods, and, except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-9-327, a perfected security interest in its identifiable proceeds also has priority, if the purchase-money security interest is perfected when the debtor receives possession of the collateral or within 20 days thereafter.
- (b) Inventory purchase money priority. Purchase-Money Priority. Subject to subsection (c) of this section and except as otherwise provided in subsection (g) of this section, a perfected purchase-money security interest in inventory has priority over a conflicting security interest in the same inventory, has priority over a conflicting security interest in chattel paper or an instrument constituting proceeds of the inventory and in proceeds of the chattel paper, if so provided in G.S. 25-9-330, and, except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-9-327, also has priority in identifiable cash proceeds of the inventory to the extent the identifiable cash proceeds are received on or before the delivery of the inventory to a buyer, if:if all of the following apply:
 - (1) The purchase-money security interest is perfected when the debtor receives possession of the inventory; inventory.
 - (2) The purchase-money secured party sends an authenticated a signed notification to the holder of the conflicting security interest; interest.
 - (3) The holder of the conflicting security interest receives the notification within five years before the debtor receives possession of the inventory; and inventory.
 - (4) The notification states that the person sending the notification has or expects to acquire a purchase-money security interest in inventory of the debtor and describes the inventory.
- (c) Holders of conflicting inventory security interests to be notified. Conflicting Inventory Security Interests to be Notified. Subdivisions (b)(2) through (b)(4) of this section apply only if the holder of the conflicting security interest had filed a financing statement covering the same types of inventory:inventory as follows:
 - (1) If the purchase-money security interest is perfected by filing, before the date of the filing; or filing.
 - (2) If the purchase-money security interest is temporarily perfected without filing or possession under G.S. 25-9-312(f), before the beginning of the 20-day period thereunder.under that provision.
- (d) Livestock purchase money priority. <u>Purchase-Money Priority</u>. <u>Subject to subsection</u> (e) of this section and except as otherwise provided in subsection (g) of this section, a perfected purchase-money security interest in livestock that are farm products has priority over a conflicting security interest in the same livestock, and, except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-9-327, a perfected security interest in their identifiable proceeds and identifiable products in their unmanufactured states also has priority, <u>if:if all of the following apply:</u>
 - (1) The purchase-money security interest is perfected when the debtor receives possession of the livestock; livestock.
 - (2) The purchase-money secured party sends an authenticated a signed notification to the holder of the conflicting security interest; interest.
 - (3) The holder of the conflicting security interest receives the notification within six months before the debtor receives possession of the livestock; and livestock.

- (4) The notification states that the person sending the notification has or expects to acquire a purchase-money security interest in livestock of the debtor and describes the livestock.
- (e) Holders of conflicting livestock security interests to be notified. Conflicting Livestock Security Interests to be Notified. Subdivisions (d)(2) through (d)(4) of this section apply only if the holder of the conflicting security interest had filed a financing statement covering the same types of livestock: livestock as follows:
 - (1) If the purchase-money security interest is perfected by filing, before the date of the filing; or filing.
 - (2) If the purchase-money security interest is temporarily perfected without filing or possession under G.S. 25-9-312(f), before the beginning of the 20-day period thereunder.under that provision.
- (f) Software purchase-money priority. Purchase-Money Priority. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (g) of this section, a perfected purchase-money security interest in software has priority over a conflicting security interest in the same collateral, and, except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-9-327, a perfected security interest in its identifiable proceeds also has priority, to the extent that the purchase-money security interest in the goods in which the software was acquired for use has priority in the goods and proceeds of the goods under this section.
- (g) Conflicting purchase-money security interests. <u>Purchase-Money Security Interests.</u> <u>-</u> If more than one security interest qualifies for priority in the same collateral under subsection (a), (b), (d), or (f) of this section:section, the following provisions apply:
 - (1) A security interest securing an obligation incurred as all or part of the price of the collateral has priority over a security interest securing an obligation incurred for value given to enable the debtor to acquire rights in or the use of collateral; and collateral.
 - (2) In all other cases, G.S. 25-9-322(a) applies to the qualifying security interests."

SECTION 28. Article 9 of Chapter 25 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 25-9-326.1. Priority of security interest in controllable account, controllable electronic record, and controllable payment intangible.

A security interest in a controllable account, controllable electronic record, or controllable payment intangible held by a secured party having control of the account, electronic record, or payment intangible has priority over a conflicting security interest held by a secured party that does not have control."

SECTION 29. G.S. 25-9-330 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-330. Priority of purchaser of chattel paper or instrument.

- (a) Purchaser's priority: security interest claimed merely as proceeds. Priority; Security Interest Claimed Merely as Proceeds. A purchaser of chattel paper has priority over a security interest in the chattel paper which that is claimed merely as proceeds of inventory subject to a security interest if: if both of the following requirements are met:
 - (1) In good faith and in the ordinary course of the purchaser's business, the purchaser gives new value and value, takes possession of each authoritative tangible copy of the record evidencing the chattel paper or paper, and obtains control of the chattel paper under G.S. 25-9-105; and under G.S. 25-9-105 of each authoritative electronic copy of the record evidencing the chattel paper.
 - (2) The chattel paper does authoritative copies of the record evidencing the chattel paper do not indicate that it the chattel paper has been assigned to an identified assignee other than the purchaser.

- (b) Purchaser's priority: other security interests. Priority; Other Security Interests. A purchaser of chattel paper has priority over a security interest in the chattel paper which that is claimed other than merely as proceeds of inventory subject to a security interest if the purchaser gives new value and value, takes possession of each authoritative tangible copy of the record evidencing the chattel paper or paper, and obtains control of under G.S. 25-9-105 of each authoritative electronic copy of the record evidencing the chattel paper under G.S. 25 9-105 in good faith, in the ordinary course of the purchaser's business, and without knowledge that the purchase violates the rights of the secured party.
- (c) Chattel paper purchaser's priority in proceeds. Paper Purchaser's Priority in Proceeds. Except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-9-327, a purchaser having priority in chattel paper under subsection (a) or (b) of this section also has priority in proceeds of the chattel paper to the extent that:that either of the following applies:
 - (1) G.S. 25-9-322 provides for priority in the proceeds; or proceeds.
 - (2) The proceeds consist of the specific goods covered by the chattel paper or cash proceeds of the specific goods, even if the purchaser's security interest in the proceeds is unperfected.
- (d) Instrument purchaser's priority. Purchaser's Priority. Except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-9-331(a), a purchaser of an instrument has priority over a security interest in the instrument perfected by a method other than possession if the purchaser gives value and takes possession of the instrument in good faith and without knowledge that the purchase violates the rights of the secured party.
- (e) Holder of purchase money security interest gives new value. Purchase-Money Security Interest Gives New Value. For purposes of subsections (a) and (b) of this section, the holder of a purchase-money security interest in inventory gives new value for chattel paper constituting proceeds of the inventory.
- (f) Indication of assignment gives knowledge. Assignment Gives Knowledge. For purposes of subsections (b) and (d) of this section, if the authoritative copies of the record evidencing chattel paper or an instrument indicates indicate that it the chattel paper or instrument has been assigned to an identified secured party other than the purchaser, a purchaser of the chattel paper or instrument has knowledge that the purchase violates the rights of the secured party."

SECTION 30. G.S. 25-9-331 reads as rewritten:

- "§ 25-9-331. Priority of rights of purchasers of instruments, controllable accounts, controllable electronic records, controllable payment intangibles, documents, instruments, and securities under other Articles; priority of interests in financial assets and security entitlements and protection against assertion of claim under Article 8. Articles 8 and 12.
- (a) Rights under Articles 3, 7, and 8 not limited. Under Articles 3, 7, 8, and 12 Not Limited. This Article does not limit the rights of a holder in due course of a negotiable instrument, a holder to which a negotiable document of title has been duly negotiated, or a protected purchaser of a security. security, or a qualifying purchaser of a controllable account, controllable electronic record, or controllable payment intangible. These holders or purchasers take priority over an earlier security interest, even if perfected, to the extent provided in Articles 3, 7, and 8 8, and 12 of this Chapter.
- (b) Protection under Article 8. <u>Under Articles 8 and 12.</u> This Article does not limit the rights of or impose liability on a person to the extent that the person is protected against the assertion of a claim under Article 8 or 12 of this Chapter.
- (c) Filing not notice. <u>Not Notice.</u> Filing under this Article does not constitute notice of a claim or defense to the holders, or-purchasers, or persons described in subsections (a) and (b) of this section."

SECTION 31. G.S. 25-9-332 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-332. Transfer of money; transfer of funds from deposit account.

- (a) Transferee of money. <u>Tangible Money.</u> A transferee of <u>tangible money</u> takes the money free of a security interest <u>unless the transferee acts if the transferee receives possession of the money without acting in collusion with the debtor in violating the rights of the secured party.</u>
- (b) Transferee of <u>funds Funds</u> from <u>deposit account.</u> Deposit Account. A transferee of funds from a deposit account takes the funds free of a security interest in the deposit account <u>unless the transferee acts if the transferee receives the funds without acting in collusion with the debtor in violating the rights of the secured party.</u>
- (c) Transferee of Electronic Money. A transferee of electronic money takes the money free of a security interest if the transferee obtains control of the money without acting in collusion with the debtor in violating the rights of the secured party."

SECTION 32. G.S. 25-9-334 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-334. Priority of security interests in fixtures and crops.

- (a) Security interest in fixtures under this Article. —Interest in Fixtures Under this Article. —A security interest under this Article may be created in goods that are fixtures or may continue in goods that become fixtures. A security interest does not exist under this Article in ordinary building materials incorporated into an improvement on land.
- (b) Security interest in fixtures under real-property law. <u>Interest in Fixtures Under Real Property Law.</u> This Article does not prevent creation of an encumbrance upon fixtures under real property law.
- (c) General <u>rule: subordination of security interest in fixtures.</u> <u>Rule for Subordination of Security Interest in Fixtures.</u> In cases not governed by subsections (d) through (h) of this section, a security interest in fixtures is subordinate to a conflicting interest of an encumbrancer or owner of the related real property other than the debtor.
- (d) Fixtures purchase money priority. <u>Purchase-Money Priority</u>. <u>Except</u> as otherwise provided in subsection (h) of this section, a perfected security interest in fixtures has priority over a conflicting interest of an encumbrancer or owner of the real property if the debtor has an interest of record in or is in possession of the real property and: and all of the following apply:
 - (1) The security interest is a purchase-money security interest; interest.
 - (2) The interest of the encumbrancer or owner arises before the goods become fixtures; and fixtures.
 - (3) The security interest is perfected by a fixture filing before the goods become fixtures or within 20 days thereafter.
- (e) Priority of security interest in fixtures over interests in real property. <u>Security Interest in Fixtures over Interests in Real Property.</u> A perfected security interest in fixtures has priority over a conflicting interest of an encumbrancer or owner of the real property <u>if:if any of the following applies:</u>
 - (1) The debtor has an interest of record in the real property or is in possession of the real property and both of the following apply to the security interest:
 - a. <u>Is-The security interest is perfected by a fixture filing before the interest of the encumbrancer or owner is of record; and record.</u>
 - b. Has The security interest has priority over any conflicting interest of a predecessor in title of the encumbrancer or owner;owner.
 - (2) Before the goods become fixtures, the security interest is perfected by any method permitted by this Article and the fixtures are any of the following readily removable:removable goods:
 - a. Factory or office machines; machines.
 - b. Equipment that is not primarily used or leased for use in the operation of the real property; or property.
 - c. Replacements of domestic appliances that are consumer goods; goods.

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- (3) The conflicting interest is a lien on the real property obtained by legal or equitable proceedings after the security interest was perfected by any method permitted by this Article; or Article.
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Priority based on consent, disclaimer, or right to remove. Based on Consent, (f) Disclaimer, or Right to Remove. – A security interest in fixtures, whether or not perfected, has priority over a conflicting interest of an encumbrancer or owner of the real property if: if either of the following applies:

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(1) The encumbrancer or owner has, in an authenticated a signed record, consented to the security interest or disclaimed an interest in the goods as fixtures; or fixtures.

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(2) The debtor has a right to remove the goods as against the encumbrancer or owner.

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Continuation of subdivision (f)(2) priority. Subdivision (f)(2) Priority. – The priority of the security interest under subdivision (f)(2) of this section continues for a reasonable time if the debtor's right to remove the goods as against the encumbrancer or owner terminates.

Priority of construction mortgage. Construction Mortgage. – A mortgage is a construction mortgage to the extent that it secures an obligation incurred for the construction of an improvement on land, including the acquisition cost of the land, if a recorded record of the mortgage so indicates. Except as otherwise provided in subsections (e) and (f) of this section, a security interest in fixtures is subordinate to a construction mortgage if a record of the mortgage is recorded before the goods become fixtures and the goods become fixtures before the completion of the construction. A mortgage has this priority to the same extent as a construction mortgage to the extent that it is given to refinance a construction mortgage.

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Priority of security interest in crops. <u>Security Interest in Crops.</u> Except as provided (i) in G.S. 42-15, a perfected security interest in crops growing on real property has priority over a conflicting interest of an encumbrancer or owner of the real property if the debtor has an interest of record in or is in possession of the real property."

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SECTION 33. G.S. 25-9-341 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-341. Bank's rights and duties with respect to deposit account.

Except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-9-340(c), and unless the bank otherwise agrees in an authenticated a signed record, a bank's rights and duties with respect to a deposit account maintained with the bank are not terminated, suspended, or modified by:by any of the following:

37 38 (1) The creation, attachment, or perfection of a security interest in the deposit account; account.

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The bank's knowledge of the security interest; or interest. (2)

The bank's receipt of instructions from the secured party." **SECTION 34.** G.S. 25-9-404 reads as rewritten:

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"§ 25-9-404. Rights acquired by assignee; claims and defenses against assignee.

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Assignee's rights subject to terms, claims, and defenses; exceptions.—Rights Subject to Terms, Claims, and Defenses; Exceptions. – Unless an account debtor has made an enforceable agreement not to assert defenses or claims, and subject to subsections (b) through (e) of this section, the rights of an assignee are subject to:to both of the following:

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All terms of the agreement between the account debtor and assignor and any (1) defense or claim in recoupment arising from the transaction that gave rise to the contract; and contract.

- (2) Any other defense or claim of the account debtor against the assignor which that accrues before the account debtor receives a notification of the assignment authenticated signed by the assignor or the assignee.
- (b) Account debtor's claim reduces amount owed to assignee. Debtor's Claim Reduces Amount Owed to Assignee. Subject to subsection (c) of this section and except as otherwise provided in subsection (d) of this section, the claim of an account debtor against an assigner may be asserted against an assignee under subsection (a) of this section only to reduce the amount the account debtor owes.
- (c) Rule for individual under other law. <u>Individual Under Other Law.</u> This section is subject to law other than this Article which that establishes a different rule for an account debtor who is an individual and who incurred the obligation primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.
- (d) Omission of required statement in consumer transaction. Required Statement in Consumer Transaction. In a consumer transaction, if a record evidences the account debtor's obligation, law other than this Article requires that the record include a statement to the effect that the account debtor's recovery against an assignee with respect to claims and defenses against the assignor may shall not exceed amounts paid by the account debtor under the record, and the record does not include such a this statement, the extent to which a claim of an account debtor against the assignor may be asserted against an assignee is determined as if the record included such a this statement.
- (e) Inapplicability to health-care insurance receivable. Health-Care-Insurance Receivable. This section does not apply to an assignment of a health-care-insurance receivable."

SECTION 35. G.S. 25-9-406 reads as rewritten:

- "§ 25-9-406. Discharge of account debtor; notification of assignment; identification and proof of assignment; restrictions on assignment of accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles, and promissory notes ineffective.
- (a) Discharge of account debtor; effect of notification. Account Debtor; Effect of Notification.—Subject to subsections (b) through (i) and (l) of this section, an account debtor on an account, chattel paper, or a payment intangible may discharge its obligation by paying the assignor until, but not after, the account debtor receives a notification, authenticated signed by the assignor or the assignee, that the amount due or to become due has been assigned and that payment is to be made to the assignee. After receipt of the notification, the account debtor may discharge its obligation by paying the assignee and may shall not discharge the obligation by paying the assignor.
- (b) When notification ineffective. <u>Notification Ineffective.</u> Subject to subsection (h) subsections (h) and (l) of this section, notification is ineffective under subsection (a) of this section: section under any of the following conditions:
 - (1) If it does not reasonably identify the rights assigned; assigned.
 - (2) To the extent that an agreement between an account debtor and a seller of a payment intangible limits the account debtor's duty to pay a person other than the seller and the limitation is effective under law other than this Article; orArticle.
 - (3) At the option of an account debtor, if the notification notifies the account debtor to make less than the full amount of any installment or other periodic payment to the assignee, even if: if any of the following applies:
 - a. Only a portion of the account, chattel paper, or payment intangible has been assigned to that assignee; assignee.
 - b. A portion has been assigned to another assignee; or assignee.
 - c. The account debtor knows that the assignment to that assignee is limited.

- (c) Proof of assignment. Assignment. Subject to subsection (h) subsections (h) and (l) of this section, if requested by the account debtor, an assignee shall seasonably furnish reasonable proof that the assignment has been made. Unless the assignee complies, the account debtor may discharge its obligation by paying the assignor, even if the account debtor has received a notification under subsection (a) of this section.
- (d) Term restricting assignment generally ineffective. Restricting Assignment Generally Ineffective. In this subsection, "promissory note" includes a negotiable instrument that evidences chattel paper. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (e) of this section and G.S. 25-2A-303 and G.S. 25-9-407, and subject to subsection (h) of this section, a term in an agreement between an account debtor and an assignor or in a promissory note is ineffective to the extent that it:it does either of the following:
 - (1) Prohibits, restricts, or requires the consent of the account debtor or person obligated on the promissory note to the assignment or transfer of, or the creation, attachment, perfection, or enforcement of a security interest in, the account, chattel paper, payment intangible, or promissory note; ornote.
 - (2) Provides that the assignment or transfer or the creation, attachment, perfection, or enforcement of the security interest may give rise to a default, breach, right of recoupment, claim, defense, termination, right of termination, or remedy under the account, chattel paper, payment intangible, or promissory note.
- (e) Inapplicability of subsection (d) to certain sales. Subsection (d) to Certain Sales. Subsection (d) of this section does not apply to the sale of a payment intangible or promissory note, other than a sale pursuant to a disposition under G.S. 25-9-610 or an acceptance of collateral under G.S. 25-9-620.
- (f) Legal restrictions on assignment generally ineffective. Restrictions on Assignment Generally Ineffective. Except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-2A-303 and G.S. 25-9-407 and subject to subsections (h) and (i) of this section, a rule of law, statute, or regulation law that prohibits, restricts, or requires the consent of a government, governmental body or official, or account debtor to the assignment or transfer of, or creation of a security interest in, an account or chattel paper is ineffective to the extent that the rule of law, statute, or regulation: law does either of the following:

 - (2) Provides that the assignment or transfer or the creation, attachment, perfection, or enforcement of the security interest may give rise to a default, breach, right of recoupment, claim, defense, termination, right of termination, or remedy under the account or chattel paper.
- (g) Subdivision (b)(3) not waivable. Not Waivable. Subject to subsection (h) subsections (h) and (l) of this section, an account debtor may shall not waive or vary its option under subdivision (b)(3) of this section.
- (h) Rule for individual under other law. <u>Individual Under Other Law.</u> This section is subject to law other than this Article which that establishes a different rule for an account debtor who is an individual and who incurred the obligation primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.

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(j) Section prevails over inconsistent law. Prevails over Inconsistent Law. Except to the extent otherwise provided in subsection (i) of this section, this section prevails over any inconsistent provision of an existing or future statute, rule, or regulation statute or rule of this

State unless the provision is contained in a statute of this State, refers expressly to this section, and states that the provision prevails over this section.

- (k) Reserved for future codification purposes.
- (*l*) <u>Inapplicability of Certain Subsections. Subsections (a), (b), (c), and (g) of this section do not apply to a controllable account or controllable payment intangible."</u>

SECTION 36. G.S. 25-9-408 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-408. Restrictions on assignment of promissory notes, health-care-insurance receivables, and certain general intangibles ineffective.

- (a) Term restricting assignment generally ineffective. Restricting Assignment Generally Ineffective. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this section, a term in a promissory note or in an agreement between an account debtor and a debtor which that relates to a health-care-insurance receivable or a general intangible, including a contract, permit, license, or franchise, and which term that prohibits, restricts, or requires the consent of the person obligated on the promissory note or the account debtor to, the assignment or transfer of, or creation, attachment, or perfection of a security interest in, the promissory note, health-care-insurance receivable, or general intangible, is ineffective to the extent that the term:term would do or does either of the following:
 - (1) Would impair the creation, attachment, or perfection of a security interest; or interest.
 - (2) Provides that the assignment or transfer or the creation, attachment, or perfection of the security interest may give rise to a default, breach, right of recoupment, claim, defense, termination, right of termination, or remedy under the promissory note, health-care-insurance receivable, or general intangible.
- (b) Applicability of subsection (a) to sales of certain rights to payment. Subsection (a) to Sales of Certain Rights to Payment.—Subsection (a) of this section applies to a security interest in a payment intangible or promissory note only if the security interest arises out of a sale of the payment intangible or promissory note, other than a sale pursuant to a disposition under G.S. 25-9-610 or an acceptance of collateral under G.S. 25-9-620.
- (c) Legal restrictions on assignment generally ineffective. Restrictions on Assignment Generally Ineffective. A rule of law, statute, or regulation law that prohibits, restricts, or requires the consent of a government, governmental body or official, person obligated on a promissory note, or account debtor to the assignment or transfer of, or creation of a security interest in, a promissory note, health-care-insurance receivable, or general intangible, including a contract, permit, license, or franchise between an account debtor and a debtor, is ineffective to the extent that the rule of law, statute, or regulation: law would do or does either of the following:
 - (1) Would impair the creation, attachment, or perfection of a security interest; orinterest.
 - (2) Provides that the assignment or transfer or the creation, attachment, or perfection of the security interest may give rise to a default, breach, right of recoupment, claim, defense, termination, right of termination, or remedy under the promissory note, health-care-insurance receivable, or general intangible.
- (d) Limitation on ineffectiveness under subsections (a) and (c). Ineffectiveness Under Subsections (a) and (c). To the extent that a term in a promissory note or in an agreement between an account debtor and a debtor which that relates to a health-care-insurance receivable or general intangible or a rule of law, statute, or regulation law described in subsection (c) of this section would be effective under law other than this Article but is ineffective under subsection (a) or (c) of this section, all of the following apply to the creation, attachment, or perfection of a security interest in the promissory note, health-care-insurance receivable, or general intangible:

- 1 (1) <u>Is-The security interest is not enforceable against the person obligated on the promissory note or the account debtor; debtor.</u>
 3 (2) <u>Does-The security interest does not impose a duty or obligation on the person</u>
 - (2) Does The security interest does not impose a duty or obligation on the person obligated on the promissory note or the account debtor; debtor.
 - (3) Does—The security interest does not require the person obligated on the promissory note or the account debtor to recognize the security interest, pay or render performance to the secured party, or accept payment or performance from the secured party; party.
 - (4) Does-The security interest does not entitle the secured party to use or assign the debtor's rights under the promissory note, health-care-insurance receivable, or general intangible, including any related information or materials furnished to the debtor in the transaction giving rise to the promissory note, health-care-insurance receivable, or general intangible; intangible.
 - (5) Does The security interest does not entitle the secured party to use, assign, possess, or have access to any trade secrets or confidential information of the person obligated on the promissory note or the account debtor; anddebtor.
 - (6) <u>Does The security interest does not entitle the secured party to enforce the security interest in the promissory note, health-care-insurance receivable, or general intangible.</u>
 - (e) Section prevails over inconsistent law. Prevails over Inconsistent Law. Except to the extent otherwise provided in subsection (f) of this section, this section prevails over any inconsistent provision of an existing or future statute, rule, or regulation of statute or rule of this State unless the provision is contained in a statute of this State, refers expressly to this section, and states that the provision prevails over this section.

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(g) <u>"Promissory Note." – In this section, "promissory note" includes a negotiable instrument that evidences chattel paper."</u>

SECTION 37. G.S. 25-9-509 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-509. Persons entitled to file a record.

- (a) Person entitled to file record. <u>Entitled to File Record.</u> A person may file an initial financing statement, amendment that adds collateral covered by a financing statement, or amendment that adds a debtor to a financing statement only if: if either of the following applies:
 - (1) The debtor authorizes the filing in an authenticated a signed record or pursuant to subsection (b) or (c) of this section; or section.
 - (2) The person holds an agricultural lien that has become effective at the time of filing and the financing statement covers only collateral in which the person holds an agricultural lien.
- (b) Security agreement as authorization. By authenticating Agreement as Authorization. By signing or becoming bound as debtor by a security agreement, a debtor or new debtor authorizes the filing of an initial financing statement, and an amendment, covering:covering both of the following:
 - (1) The collateral described in the security agreement; and agreement.
 - (2) Property that becomes collateral under G.S. 25-9-315(a)(2), whether or not the security agreement expressly covers proceeds.
- (c) Acquisition of collateral as authorization. <u>Collateral as Authorization.</u> By acquiring collateral in which a security interest or agricultural lien continues under G.S. 25-9-315(a)(1), a debtor authorizes the filing of an initial financing statement, and an amendment, covering the collateral and property that becomes collateral under G.S. 25-9-315(a)(2).

- (d) Person entitled to file certain amendments. <u>Entitled to File Certain Amendments.</u> A person may file an amendment other than an amendment that adds collateral covered by a financing statement or an amendment that adds a debtor to a financing statement only <u>if:if either of the following applies:</u>
 - (1) The secured party of record authorizes the filing; or filing.
 - (2) The amendment is a termination statement for a financing statement as to which the secured party of record has failed to file or send a termination statement as required by G.S. 25-9-513(a) or (c), the debtor authorizes the filing, and the termination statement indicates that the debtor authorized it to be filed.
- (e) Multiple secured parties of record. <u>Secured Parties of Record.</u> If there is more than one secured party of record for a financing statement, each secured party of record may authorize the filing of an amendment under subsection (d) of this section."

SECTION 38. G.S. 25-9-513 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-513. Termination statement.

- (a) Consumer goods. <u>Goods. A</u> secured party shall cause the secured party of record for a financing statement to file a termination statement for the financing statement if the financing statement covers consumer goods and either of the following applies:
 - (1) There is no obligation secured by the collateral covered by the financing statement and no commitment to make an advance, incur an obligation, or otherwise give value; or or otherwise give value.
 - (2) The debtor did not authorize the filing of the initial financing statement.
- (b) Time for compliance with subsection (a). Compliance with Subsection (a). To comply with subsection (a) of this section, a secured party shall cause the secured party of record to file the termination statement:statement by the earlier of the following:
 - (1) Within one month after there is no obligation secured by the collateral covered by the financing statement and no commitment to make an advance, incur an obligation, or otherwise give value; or value.
 - (2) <u>If earlier, within Within 20</u> days after the secured party receives an authenticated a signed demand from a debtor.
- (c) Other <u>eollateral</u>. <u>Collateral</u>. <u>In cases not governed by subsection (a) of this section, within 20 days after a secured party receives an <u>authenticated a signed</u> demand from a debtor, the secured party shall cause the secured party of record for a financing statement to send to the debtor a termination statement for the financing statement or file the termination statement in the filing office <u>if:if</u> any of the following applies:</u>
 - (1) Except in the case of a financing statement covering accounts or chattel paper that has been sold or goods that are the subject of a consignment, there is no obligation secured by the collateral covered by the financing statement and no commitment to make an advance, incur an obligation, or otherwise give value; value.
 - (2) The financing statement covers accounts or chattel paper that has been sold but as to which the account debtor or other person obligated has discharged its obligation; obligation.

 - (4) The debtor did not authorize the filing of the initial financing statement.
- (d) Effect of filing termination statement. Filing Termination Statement. Except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-9-510, upon the filing of a termination statement with the filing office, the financing statement to which the termination statement relates ceases to be effective. Except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-9-510, for purposes of G.S. 25-9-519(g), 25-9-522(a), and 25-9-523(c), the filing with the filing office of a termination statement relating to a financing

statement that indicates that the debtor is a transmitting utility also causes the effectiveness of the financing statement to lapse."

SECTION 39. G.S. 25-9-601 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-601. Rights after default; judicial enforcement; consignor or buyer of accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles, or promissory notes.

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a secured party has the rights provided in this Part and, except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-9-602, those provided by agreement of the parties. A secured party:party may do both of the following:

(1) May reduce a claim to judgment, foreclose, or otherwise enforce the claim,

security interest, or agricultural lien by any available judicial procedure; and procedure.

(2) If the collateral is documents, may proceed either as to the documents or as to the goods they cover.

Rights of secured party after default. Secured Party After Default. – After default,

(b) Rights and duties of secured party in possession or control. <u>Duties of Secured Party in Possession or Control.</u> A secured party in possession of collateral or control of collateral under G.S. 25-7-106, 25-9-104, 25-9-105, <u>25-9-105.1</u>, 25-9-106, or <u>25-9-107-25-9-107</u>, or <u>25-9-107.1</u> has the rights and duties provided in G.S. 25-9-207.

 (c) Rights cumulative; simultaneous exercise. <u>Cumulative; Simultaneous Exercise.</u> The rights under subsections (a) and (b) of this section are cumulative and may be exercised simultaneously.

 (d) Rights of debtor and obligor. <u>Debtor and Obligor.</u> Except as otherwise provided in subsection (g) of this section and G.S. 25-9-605, after default, a debtor and an obligor have the rights provided in this Part and by agreement of the parties.

 (e) Lien of levy after judgment. <u>Levy After Judgment.</u> If a secured party has reduced its claim to judgment, the lien of any levy that may be made upon the collateral by virtue of an execution based upon the judgment relates back to the earliest of: of the following:

 (1) The date of perfection of the security interest or agricultural lien in the collateral; collateral.

(2) The date of filing a financing statement covering the collateral; or collateral.

(3) Any date specified in a statute under which the agricultural lien was created. (f) Execution sale. Sale. A sale pursuant to an execution is a foreclosure of the security interest or agricultural lien by judicial procedure within the meaning of this section. A secured party may purchase at the sale and thereafter hold the collateral free of any other requirements of this Article.

(g) Consignor or buyer of certain rights to payment. Buyer of Certain Rights to Payment. Except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-9-607(c), this Part imposes no duties upon a secured party that is a consignor or is a buyer of accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles, or promissory notes."

SECTION 40. G.S. 25-9-605 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-605. Unknown debtor or secondary obligor. (a) A-No Duty Generally Owed by Secured Part

 (a) A-No Duty Generally Owed by Secured Party. – Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a secured party does not owe a duty based on its status as secured party:party to either of the following:

 (1) To a person that is a debtor or obligor, unless the secured party knows: knows all of the following:

a. That the person is a debtor or obligor; obligor.

 b. The identity of the person; and person.c. How to communicate with the person; or person.

 (2) To a secured party or lienholder that has filed a financing statement against a person, unless the secured party knows:knows both of the following:

a. That the person is a debtor; and debtor.

b. The identity of the person. Exception When Secured Party Owes Duty to Debtor or Obligor. – A secured party

 (b) Exception When Secured Party Owes Duty to Debtor or Obligor. – A secured party owes a duty based on its status as a secured party to a person if, at the time the secured party obtains control of collateral that is a controllable account, controllable electronic record, or controllable payment intangible or at the time the security interest attaches to the collateral, whichever is later, both of the following apply:

(1) The person is a debtor or obligor.

 (2) The secured party knows that the information in sub-subdivision (a)(1)a., b., or c. of this section relating to the person is not provided by the collateral, a record attached to or logically associated with the collateral, or the system in which the collateral is recorded."

SECTION 41. G.S. 25-9-608 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-608. Application of proceeds of collection or enforcement; liability for deficiency and right to surplus.

 (a) Application of proceeds, surplus, and deficiency if obligation secured. <u>Proceeds, Surplus, and Deficiency If Obligation Secured.</u> If a security interest or agricultural lien secures payment or performance of an obligation, the following rules apply:

 (1) A secured party shall apply or pay over for application the cash proceeds of collection or enforcement under G.S. 25-9-607 to the following in the following order to:order:

a. The reasonable expenses of collection and enforcement and, to the extent provided for by agreement and not prohibited by law, reasonable attorney's attorneys' fees and legal expenses incurred by the secured party; party.

b. The satisfaction of obligations secured by the security interest or agricultural lien under which the collection or enforcement is made; andmade.

c. The satisfaction of obligations secured by any subordinate security interest in or other lien on the collateral subject to the security interest or agricultural lien under which the collection or enforcement is made if the secured party receives an authenticated a signed demand for proceeds before distribution of the proceeds is completed.

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(b) No surplus or deficiency in sales of certain rights to payment. Surplus or Deficiency in Sales of Certain Rights to Payment. — If the underlying transaction is a sale of accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles, or promissory notes, the debtor is not entitled to any surplus, and the obligor is not liable for any deficiency."

SECTION 42. G.S. 25-9-611 reads as rewritten: "§ **25-9-611.** Notification before disposition of collateral.

(a) "Notification date." <u>Date." - In this section</u>, "notification date" means the earlier of the date on which: the date of the earlier of the following:

 (1) A secured party sends to the debtor and any secondary obligor an authenticated a signed notification of disposition; or disposition.

(2) The debtor and any secondary obligor waive the right to notification.

(b) Notification of disposition required. <u>Disposition Required.</u> Except as otherwise provided in subsection (d) of this section, a secured party that disposes of collateral under G.S. 25-9-610 shall send to the persons specified in subsection (c) of this section a reasonable <u>authenticated signed</u> notification of disposition.

1 Persons to be notified.—Notified.—To comply with subsection (b) of this section, the (c) 2 secured party shall send an authenticated a signed notification of disposition to:to all of the 3 following: 4 The debtor; debtor. (1) 5 (2) Any secondary obligor; and obligor. If the collateral is other than consumer goods: goods, all of the following: 6 (3) 7 Any other person from which the secured party has received, before a. 8 the notification date, an authenticated a signed notification of a claim 9 of an interest in the collateral:collateral. Any other secured party or lienholder that, 10 days before the 10 b. 11 notification date, held a security interest in or other lien on the collateral perfected by the filing of a financing statement that:that 12 13 meets all of the following requirements: 14 Identified the collateral:collateral. 1. Was indexed under the debtor's name as of that date; and date. 15 2. 3. Was filed in the office in which to file a financing statement 16 17 against the debtor covering the collateral as of that date; anddate. 18 19 Any other secured party that, 10 days before the notification date, held c. 20 a security interest in the collateral perfected by compliance with a 21 statute, regulation, or treaty described in G.S. 25-9-311(a). 22 Subsection (b) inapplicable: perishable collateral; recognized market. Inapplicable (d) 23 to Perishable Collateral or Recognized Market. – Subsection (b) of this section does not apply if 24 the collateral is perishable or threatens to decline speedily in value or is of a type customarily 25 sold on a recognized market. 26 Compliance with sub-subdivision—Sub-Subdivision (c)(3)b. – A secured party 27 complies with the requirement for notification prescribed by sub-subdivision (c)(3)b. of this 28 section if: if both of the following apply: 29 Not later than 20 days or earlier than 30 days before the notification date, the (1) 30 secured party requests, in a commercially reasonable manner, information concerning financing statements indexed under the debtor's name in the office 31 indicated in sub-subdivision (c)(3)b. of this section; and section. 32 33 (2) Before the notification date, the secured party:either of the following applied: 34 Did The secured party did not receive a response to the request for a. 35 information: or information. Received The secured party received a response to the request for 36 b. 37 information and sent an authenticated a signed notification of 38 disposition to each secured party or other lienholder named in that 39 response whose financing statement covered the collateral." 40 **SECTION 43.** G.S. 25-9-613 reads as rewritten: "§ 25-9-613. Contents and form of notification before disposition of collateral: general. 41 42 Contents and Form of Notification. – Except in a consumer-goods transaction, the 43 following rules apply: 44 The contents of a notification of disposition are sufficient if the (1) notification:notification does all of the following: 45 Describes the debtor and the secured party; party. 46 a. 47 Describes the collateral that is the subject of the intended b. 48 disposition; disposition.

States the method of intended disposition; disposition.

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Subject: [Identification of Transaction]

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We have your [describe collateral], because you broke promises in our agreement.

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[For a public disposition:]

and bring bidders if you want.					
n:]					
collateral] at private sale sometime after [date]. A sale could include a					
from the sale (after paying our costs) will reduce the amount you owe. If					
you owe, you [will or will not, as applicable] still owe us the difference.					
than you owe, you will get the extra money, unless we must pay it to					
y back at any time before we sell it by paying us the full amount you owe					
ayments), including our expenses. To learn the exact amount you must					
e number].					
to you in writing how we have figured the amount that you owe us, you					
may call us at [telephone number] or write us at [secured party's address] and request a written					
explanation. [We will charge you \$ for the explanation if we sent you another written					
ant you owe us within the last six months.]					
nation about the sale call us at [telephone number] [or write us at [secured					
We are sending this notice to the following other people who have an interest in [describe					
collateral] or who owe money under your agreement: [Names of all other debtors and obligors, if any]					
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ne and address of any obligor who is also a debtor) ect: (Identify transaction)					
ect: (Identify transaction) have your (describe collateral), because you broke promises in our					
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ement. We will sall (describe colleteral) at public sale. A sale could include a					
We will sell (describe collateral) at public sale. A sale could include a					
<u>lease or license. The sale will be held as follows:</u> (Date)					
(Time)					
(Place)					
You may attend the sale and bring bidders if you want.					
i ou may attenu the safe and diffig diducts II you want.					
We will sell (describe collateral) at private sale sometime after (date).					
We will sell (describe collateral) at private sale sometime after (date). A sale could include a lease or license.					
We will sell (describe collateral) at private sale sometime after (date).					

1			more money than you owe, you will get the extra money, unless we		
2			must pay it to someone else.		
3		<u>{4}</u>	You can get the property back at any time before we sell it by paying		
4			us the full amount you owe, not just the past due payments, including		
5			our expenses. To learn the exact amount you must pay, call us at		
6			(telephone number).		
7		<u>{5}</u>	If you want us to explain to you in (writing) (writing or in (description		
8			of electronic record)) (description of electronic record) how we have		
9			figured the amount that you owe us, {6} call us at (telephone number)		
10			(or) (write us at (secured party's address)) (or contact us by		
11			(description of electronic communication method)) {7} and request (a		
12			written explanation) (a written explanation or an explanation in		
13			(description of electronic record)) (an explanation in (description of		
14			electronic record)).		
15		<u>{8}</u>	We will charge you \$ (amount) for the explanation if we sent you		
16			another written explanation of the amount you owe us within the last		
17			six months.		
18		<u>{9}</u>	If you need more information about the sale (call us at (telephone		
19			number)) (or) (write us at (secured party's address)) (or contact us by		
20			(description of electronic communication method)).		
21		{10}	We are sending this notice to the following other people who have an		
22			interest in (describe collateral) or who owe money under your		
23			agreement: (Names of all other debtors and obligors, if any)."		
24	(4)	A not	ification in the form of subdivision (3) of this section subsection is		
25	` ,		ent, even if additional information appears at the end of the form.		
26	(5)		ification in the form of subdivision (3) of this section subsection is		
27	· /		ent, even if it includes errors in information not required by subdivision		
28			this section, subsection, unless the error is misleading with respect to		
29			arising under this Article.		
30	(6)	_	stification under this section is not in the form of subdivision (3) of this		
31	(0)		a, subsection, law other than this Article determines the effect of		
32			ing information not required by subdivision (1) of this		
33			a-subsection.		
34	(b) Instru		or Form of Notification. – The following instructions apply to the form		
35	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · 				
36	(1)		structions in this subsection refer to the numbers in braces before items		
37	<u>\/</u>		form of notification in subdivision (a)(3) of this section. Do not include		
38			mbers or braces in the notification. The numbers and braces are used		
39			or the purpose of these instructions.		
40	<u>(2)</u>		e and complete either item {1}, if the notification relates to a public		
41	<u>\</u>		ition of the collateral, or item {2}, if the notification relates to a private		
42			ition of the collateral.		
43	(3)		e and complete items {3}, {4}, {5}, {6}, and {7}.		
44	<u>(4)</u>		1 {5}, include and complete any one of the three alternative methods for		
45	<u>(+)</u>		planation – writing, writing or electronic record, or electronic record.		
46	<u>(5)</u>		1 {6}, include the telephone number. In addition, the sender may include		
47	(3)		omplete either or both of the two additional alternative methods of		
48			unication – writing or electronic communication – for the recipient of		
49			tification to communicate with the sender. Neither of the two additional		
50		_	ds of communication is required to be included.		
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- (6) In item {7}, include and complete the method or methods for the explanation writing, writing or electronic record, or electronic record included in item {5}.
- (7) Include and complete item {8} only if a written explanation is included in item {5} as a method for communicating the explanation and the sender will charge the recipient for another written explanation.
- [8] In item {9}, include either the telephone number or the address or both the telephone number and the address. In addition, the sender may include and complete the additional method of communication electronic communication for the recipient of the notification to communicate with the sender. The additional method of electronic communication is not required to be included.
- (9) If item {10} does not apply, insert "None" after "agreement:"."

SECTION 45. G.S. 25-9-615 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-615. Application of proceeds of disposition; liability for deficiency and right to surplus.

- (a) Application of proceeds. <u>Proceeds.</u> A secured party shall apply or pay over for application the cash proceeds of disposition under G.S. 25-9-610 to the following in the following order to:order:
 - (1) The reasonable expenses of retaking, holding, preparing for disposition, processing, and disposing, and, to the extent provided for by agreement and not prohibited by law, reasonable attorney's attorneys' fees and legal expenses incurred by the secured party; party.
 - (2) The satisfaction of obligations secured by the security interest or agricultural lien under which the disposition is made; made.
 - (3) The satisfaction of obligations secured by any subordinate security interest in or other subordinate lien on the collateral if:if both of the following apply:
 - a. The secured party receives from the holder of the subordinate security interest or other lien an authenticated a signed demand for proceeds before distribution of the proceeds is completed; and completed.
 - b. In a case in which a consignor has an interest in the collateral, the subordinate security interest or other lien is senior to the interest of the consignor; and consignor.
 - (4) A secured party that is a consignor of the collateral if the secured party receives from the consignor an authenticated a signed demand for proceeds before distribution of the proceeds is completed.
- (b) Proof of subordinate interest. Subordinate Interest. If requested by a secured party, a holder of a subordinate security interest or other lien shall furnish reasonable proof of the interest or lien within a reasonable time. Unless the holder does so, the secured party need not comply with the holder's demand under subdivision (a)(3) of this section.
- (c) Application of noncash proceeds. Noncash Proceeds. A secured party need not apply or pay over for application noncash proceeds of disposition under G.S. 25-9-610 unless the failure to do so would be commercially unreasonable. A secured party that applies or pays over for application noncash proceeds shall do so in a commercially reasonable manner.
- (d) Surplus or deficiency if obligation secured. Deficiency If Obligation Secured. If the security interest under which a disposition is made secures payment or performance of an obligation, after making the payments and applications required by subsection (a) of this section and permitted by subsection (c) of this section; section, both of the following apply:
 - (1) Unless subdivision (a)(4) of this section requires the secured party to apply or pay over cash proceeds to a consignor, the secured party shall account to and pay a debtor for any surplus; and surplus.

- 1 (2) The obligor is liable for any deficiency. 2 (e) No surplus or deficiency in sales of certain rights to payment.—Surplus or Deficiency 3 in Sales of Certain Rights to Payment. – If the underlying transaction is a sale of accounts, chattel 4 paper, payment intangibles, or promissory notes: notes, both of the following apply: 5 The debtor is not entitled to any surplus; and surplus. (1) 6 The obligor is not liable for any deficiency. (2) 7 Calculation of surplus or deficiency in disposition to person related to secured party. (f) 8 —Surplus or Deficiency in Disposition to Person Related to Secured Party. – The surplus or 9 deficiency following a disposition is calculated based on the amount of proceeds that would have 10 been realized in a disposition complying with this Part to a transferee other than the secured 11 party, a person related to the secured party, or a secondary obligor if: if both of the following 12 apply: 13 (1) The transferee in the disposition is the secured party, a person related to the 14 secured party, or a secondary obligor; and obligor. The amount of proceeds of the disposition is significantly below the range of 15 (2) 16 proceeds that a complying disposition to a person other than the secured party, 17 a person related to the secured party, or a secondary obligor would have 18 brought. 19 Cash proceeds received by junior secured party. A Proceeds Received by Junior (g) 20 <u>Secured Party. – All of the following apply to a secured party that receives cash proceeds of a </u> 21 disposition in good faith and without knowledge that the receipt violates the rights of the holder 22 of a security interest or other lien that is not subordinate to the security interest or agricultural 23 lien under which the disposition is made: 24 (1) Takes The secured party takes the cash proceeds free of the security interest 25 or other lien;lien. 26 (2) Is The secured party is not obligated to apply the proceeds of the disposition 27 to the satisfaction of obligations secured by the security interest or other lien; 28 andlien. 29 Is The secured party is not obligated to account to or pay the holder of the (3) 30 security interest or other lien for any surplus." 31 **SECTION 46.** G.S. 25-9-616 reads as rewritten: 32 "§ 25-9-616. Explanation of calculation of surplus or deficiency. 33 Definitions. – In this section; the following definitions apply: (a) 34 "Explanation" means a writing that: Explanation. – A record that does all of (1) 35 the following: 36 States the amount of the surplus or deficiency; deficiency. a. 37 b. Provides an explanation information in accordance with subsection (c) 38 of this section of explaining how the secured party calculated the 39 surplus or deficiency; deficiency. 40 States, if applicable, that future debits, credits, charges, including c. additional credit service charges or interest, rebates, and expenses may 41 42 affect the amount of the surplus or deficiency; and deficiency. 43 d. Provides a telephone number or mailing address from which additional 44 information concerning the transaction is available. 45 "Request" means a record: Request. – A record to which all of the following (2) 46 apply: 47 Authenticated It is signed by a debtor or consumer obligor; obligor. a. 48 Requesting—It requests that the recipient provide an explanation;
 - Sent-It is sent after disposition of the collateral under G.S. 25-9-610. c.

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- (b) Explanation of <u>calculation</u>. <u>Calculation</u>. <u>In a consumer-goods transaction in which the debtor is entitled to a surplus or a consumer obligor is liable for a deficiency under G.S. 25-9-615, the secured party <u>shall:shall do either of the following:</u></u>
 - (1) Send an explanation to the debtor or consumer obligor, as applicable, after the disposition and: and in accordance with both of the following:
 - Before or when the secured party accounts to the debtor and pays any surplus or first makes written demand in a record on the consumer obligor after the disposition for payment of the deficiency; and deficiency.
 - b. Within 14 days after receipt of a request; or request.
 - (2) In the case of a consumer obligor who is liable for a deficiency, within 14 days after receipt of a request, send to the consumer obligor a record waiving the secured party's right to a deficiency.
- (c) Required information. <u>Information</u>. To comply with sub-subdivision (a)(1)b. of this section, a <u>writing must</u> an explanation shall provide the following information in the following order:
 - (1) The aggregate amount of obligations secured by the security interest under which the disposition was made, and, if the amount reflects a rebate of unearned interest or credit service charge, an indication of that fact, calculated as of a specified date: date as follows:

 - b. If the secured party takes or receives possession of the collateral before default or does not take possession of the collateral, not more than 35 days before the <u>disposition; disposition</u>.
 - (2) The amount of proceeds of the disposition; disposition.
 - (3) The aggregate amount of the obligations after deducting the amount of proceeds; proceeds.
 - (4) The amount, in the aggregate or by type, and types of expenses, including expenses of retaking, holding, preparing for disposition, processing, and disposing of the collateral, and attorney's attorneys' fees secured by the collateral which that are known to the secured party and relate to the current disposition; disposition.
 - (5) The amount, in the aggregate or by type, and types of credits, including rebates of interest or credit service charges, to which the obligor is known to be entitled and which that are not reflected in the amount in subdivision (1) of this subsection; and subsection.
 - (6) The amount of the surplus or deficiency.
- (d) Substantial <u>eompliance</u>. <u>Compliance</u>. <u>A particular phrasing of the explanation is not required</u>. An explanation complying substantially with the requirements of subsection (a) of this section is sufficient, even if it includes minor errors that are not seriously misleading.
- (e) Charges for responses. Responses. A debtor or consumer obligor is entitled without charge to one response to a request under this section during any six-month period in which the secured party did not send to the debtor or consumer obligor an explanation pursuant to subdivision (b)(1) of this section. The secured party may require payment of a charge not exceeding twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each additional response."

SECTION 47. G.S. 25-9-619 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-9-619. Transfer of record or legal title.

(a) "Transfer statement." — Statement." — In this section, "transfer statement" means a record authenticated signed by a secured party stating:stating all of the following:

- 1 That the debtor has defaulted in connection with an obligation secured by (1) 2 specified collateral; collateral. 3 That the secured party has exercised its postdefault remedies with respect to (2) 4 the collateral; collateral. 5 That, by reason of the exercise, a transferee has acquired the rights of the (3) 6 debtor in the collateral; and collateral. 7 The name and mailing address of the secured party, debtor, and transferee. (4) 8 Effect of transfer statement. —Transfer Statement. — A transfer statement entitles the (b) 9 transferee to the transfer of record of all rights of the debtor in the collateral specified in the statement in any official filing, recording, registration, or certificate-of-title system covering the 10 11 collateral. If a transfer statement is presented with the applicable fee and request form to the 12 official or office responsible for maintaining the system, the official or office shall:shall do all of 13 the following: 14 (1) Accept the transfer statement; statement. Promptly amend its records to reflect the transfer; and transfer. 15 (2) (3) If applicable, issue a new appropriate certificate of title in the name of the 16 17 transferee. 18 (c) Transfer not a disposition; no relief of secured party's duties.—Not a Disposition; No 19 Relief of Secured Party's Duties. – A transfer of the record or legal title to collateral to a secured 20 party under subsection (b) of this section or otherwise is not of itself a disposition of collateral 21 under this Article and does not of itself relieve the secured party of its duties under this Article." 22 **SECTION 48.** G.S. 25-9-620 reads as rewritten: 23 "§ 25-9-620. Acceptance of collateral in full or partial satisfaction of obligation; compulsory 24 disposition of collateral. 25 Conditions to acceptance in satisfaction. —Acceptance in Satisfaction. —Except as (a) 26 otherwise provided in subsection (g) of this section, a secured party may accept collateral in full 27 or partial satisfaction of the obligation it secures only if: if all of the following apply: 28 (1) The debtor consents to the acceptance under subsection (c) of this 29 section; section. 30 (2) The secured party does not receive, within the time set forth in subsection (d) 31 of this section, a notification of objection to the proposal authenticated 32 by: signed by either of the following: A person to which the secured party was required to send a proposal 33 a. 34 under G.S. 25-9-621; or G.S. 25-9-621. 35 Any other person, other than the debtor, holding an interest in the b. 36 collateral subordinate to the security interest that is the subject of the proposal;proposal. 37 38 If the collateral is consumer goods, the collateral is not in the possession of (3) 39 the debtor when the debtor consents to the acceptance; and acceptance. 40 Subsection (e) of this section does not require the secured party to dispose of (4) the collateral or the debtor waives the requirement pursuant to G.S. 25-9-624. 41 42 Purported acceptance ineffective. —Acceptance Ineffective. —A purported or apparent (b) acceptance of collateral under this section is ineffective unless: unless both of the following apply: 43 The secured party consents to the acceptance in an authenticated a signed 44 (1) record or sends a proposal to the debtor; and debtor. 45 46 (2) The conditions of subsection (a) of this section are met. 47 Debtor's consent. - For purposes of this section: section, both of the (c) 48 following apply: 49
 - (1) A debtor consents to an acceptance of collateral in partial satisfaction of the obligation it secures only if the debtor agrees to the terms of the acceptance in a record authenticated signed after default; and default.

- 1 (2) A debtor consents to an acceptance of collateral in full satisfaction of the 2 obligation it secures only if the debtor agrees to the terms of the acceptance in 3 a record authenticated signed after default or the secured party: all of the 4 following apply: 5 Sends The secured party sends to the debtor after default a proposal a. 6 that is unconditional or subject only to a condition that collateral not 7 in the possession of the secured party be preserved or 8 maintained; maintained. 9 In the proposal, the secured party proposes to accept collateral in full b. satisfaction of the obligation it secures; and secures. 10 11 Does The secured party does not receive a notification of objection c. authenticated signed by the debtor within 20 days after the proposal is 12 13 sent. 14 Effectiveness of notification. —Notification. —To be effective under subdivision (a)(2) of this section, a notification of objection must shall be received by the secured party:party 15 16 as follows: 17 In the case of a person to which the proposal was sent pursuant to (1) 18 G.S. 25-9-621, within 20 days after notification was sent to that person; 19 andperson. 20 (2) In other eases: cases as follows: 21 Within 20 days after the last notification was sent pursuant to 22 G.S. 25-9-621; or G.S. 25-9-621. 23 If a notification was not sent, before the debtor consents to the b. acceptance under subsection (c) of this section. 24 25 Mandatory disposition of consumer goods. —Disposition of Consumer Goods. — A 26 secured party that has taken possession of collateral shall dispose of the collateral pursuant to 27 G.S. 25-9-610 within the time specified in subsection (f) of this section if: if either of the 28 following applies: 29 Sixty percent (60%) of the cash price has been paid in the case of a (1) 30 purchase-money security interest in consumer goods; orgoods. Sixty percent (60%) of the principal amount of the obligation secured has been 31 (2) 32 paid in the case of a non-purchase-money security interest in consumer goods. 33 Compliance with mandatory disposition requirement. Mandatory Disposition (f) 34 Requirement. – To comply with subsection (e) of this section, the secured party shall dispose of 35 the collateral:collateral within either of the following time periods: 36 Within 90 days after taking possession; or possession. (1) 37 Within any longer period to which the debtor and all secondary obligors have (2) 38 agreed in an agreement to that effect entered into and authenticated signed 39 after default. 40 No partial satisfaction in consumer transaction. —Partial Satisfaction in Consumer Transaction. – In a consumer transaction, a secured party may shall not accept collateral in partial 41 42 satisfaction of the obligation it secures." 43 **SECTION 49.** G.S. 25-9-621 reads as rewritten: 44 "§ 25-9-621. Notification of proposal to accept collateral. 45 Persons to which proposal to be sent. Which Proposal to be Sent. A secured party 46 that desires to accept collateral in full or partial satisfaction of the obligation it secures shall send
 - consented to the acceptance, an authenticated a signed notification of a claim of an interest in the collateral; collateral.

Any person from which the secured party has received, before the debtor

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its proposal to:to all of the following:

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- **General Assembly Of North Carolina** 1 (2) Any other secured party or lienholder that, 10 days before the debtor 2 consented to the acceptance, held a security interest in or other lien on the 3 collateral perfected by the filing of a financing statement that:that meets all of 4 the following requirements: 5 Identified the collateral:collateral. a. Was indexed under the debtor's name as of that date; and date. 6 b. 7 Was filed in the office or offices in which to file a financing statement c. 8 against the debtor covering the collateral as of that date; and date. Any other secured party that, 10 days before the debtor consented to the 9 (3) 10 acceptance, held a security interest in the collateral perfected by compliance 11 with a statute, regulation, or treaty described in G.S. 25-9-311(a). 12 (b) Proposal to be sent to secondary obligor in partial satisfaction.—Sent to Secondary 13 Obligor in Partial Satisfaction. – A secured party that desires to accept collateral in partial 14 satisfaction of the obligation it secures shall send its proposal to any secondary obligor in addition 15 to the persons described in subsection (a) of this section." 16 **SECTION 50.** G.S. 25-9-624 reads as rewritten: 17 "§ 25-9-624. Waiver. 18 Waiver of disposition notification. <u>Disposition Notification</u>. A debtor or 19 secondary obligor may waive the right to notification of disposition of collateral under 20 G.S. 25-9-611 only by an agreement to that effect entered into and authenticated signed after 21 default. 22 (b) Waiver of mandatory disposition.—Mandatory Disposition. – A debtor may waive 23 the right to require disposition of collateral under G.S. 25-9-620(e) only by an agreement to that 24 effect entered into and authenticated signed after default. 25 Waiver of redemption right.—Redemption Right. – Except in a consumer-goods (c) 26 transaction, a debtor or secondary obligor may waive the right to redeem collateral under 27 G.S. 25-9-623 only by an agreement to that effect entered into and authenticated signed after 28 default." 29 **SECTION 51.** G.S. 25-9-628 reads as rewritten: 30 "§ 25-9-628. Nonliability and limitation on liability of secured party; liability of secondary 31 obligor. 32 Limitation of liability of secured party for noncompliance with Article. Unless (a) 33 Liability of Secured Party for Noncompliance with Article. – Subject to subsection (f) of this 34 section, unless a secured party knows that a person is a debtor or obligor, knows the identity of 35 the person, and knows how to communicate with the person; person, both of the following apply: 36 The secured party is not liable to the person, or to a secured party or lienholder (1) 37 that has filed a financing statement against the person, for failure to comply 38 with this Article; and Article. 39 (2) The secured party's failure to comply with this Article does not affect the 40 liability of the person for a deficiency. Limitation of liability based on status as secured party. A Liability Based on Status 41 42 as Secured Party. – Subject to subsection (f) of this section, a secured party is not liable because 43 of its status as secured party:party to either of the following: 44 To a person that is a debtor or obligor, unless the secured party knows:knows (1) 45 all of the following: 46 a. That the person is a debtor or obligor; obligor.
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- The identity of the person; and person. b.
- How to communicate with the person; or person.
- To a secured party or lienholder that has filed a financing statement against a (2) person, unless the secured party knows:knows both of the following:
 - That the person is a debtor; and debtor. a.

- b. The identity of the person.
- (c) Limitation of liability if reasonable belief that transaction not a consumer goods transaction or consumer transaction. Liability If Reasonable Belief That Transaction Not a Consumer-Goods Transaction or Consumer Transaction. A secured party is not liable to any person, and a person's liability for a deficiency is not affected, because of any act or omission arising out of the secured party's reasonable belief that a transaction is not a consumer-goods transaction or a consumer transaction or that goods are not consumer goods, if the secured party's belief is based on its reasonable reliance on:on either of the following:
 - (1) A debtor's representation concerning the purpose for which collateral was to be used, acquired, or held; orheld.
 - (2) An obligor's representation concerning the purpose for which a secured obligation was incurred.
- (d) Limitation of liability for statutory damages. <u>Liability for Statutory Damages.</u> A secured party is not liable to any person under G.S. 25-9-625(c)(2) for its failure to comply with G.S. 25-9-616.
- (e) Limitation of multiple liability for statutory damages. Multiple Liability for Statutory Damages. A secured party is not liable under G.S. 25-9-625(c)(2) more than once with respect to any one secured obligation.
- (f) Exception to Limitation of Liability Under Subsections (a) and (b). Subsections (a) and (b) of this section do not apply to limit the liability of a secured party to a person if, at the time the secured party obtains control of collateral that is a controllable account, controllable electronic record, or controllable payment intangible or at the time the security interest attaches to the collateral, whichever is later, both of the following apply:
 - (1) The person is a debtor or obligor.
 - (2) The secured party knows that the information in sub-subdivision (b)(1)a., b., or c. of this section relating to the person is not provided by the collateral, a record attached to or logically associated with the collateral, or the system in which the collateral is recorded."

PART III. CONFORMING CHANGES AND OTHER AMENDMENTS TO OTHER UCC ARTICLES

SECTION 52. G.S. 25-1-201 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-1-201. General definitions.

- (a) Unless the context otherwise requires, words or phrases defined in this section, or in the additional definitions contained in other <u>Articles articles</u> of this Chapter that apply to particular <u>Articles or Parts thereof</u>, <u>articles or parts of this Chapter</u>, have the meanings stated.
- (b) Subject to definitions contained in other articles of this Chapter that apply to particular articles or parts thereof: of this Chapter, the following definitions apply in this Chapter:
 - (1) "Action," in Action. In the sense of a judicial proceeding, includes recoupment, counterclaim, setoff, suit in equity, and any other proceeding in which rights are determined.
 - (2) "Aggrieved party" means a Aggrieved party. A party entitled to pursue a remedy.
 - (3) "Agreement," as Agreement. As distinguished from "contract," means the bargain of the parties in fact, as found in their language or inferred from other circumstances, including course of performance, course of dealing, or usage of trade as provided in G.S. 25-1-303.
 - (4) "Bank" means a Bank. A person engaged in the business of banking and banking. The term includes a savings bank, savings and loan association, credit union, and trust company.

1 (5) "Bearer" means a Bearer. – A person in control of a negotiable electronic 2 document of title or a person in possession of a negotiable instrument, 3 negotiable tangible document of title, or certificated security that is payable 4 to bearer or indorsed in blank. 5 "Bill of lading" means a Bill of lading. – A document of title evidencing the (6) 6 receipt of goods for shipment issued by a person engaged in the business of 7 directly or indirectly transporting or forwarding goods. The term does not 8 include a warehouse receipt. 9 "Branch" includes Branch. - Includes a separately incorporated foreign (7) 10 branch of a bank. 11 (8) "Burden of establishing" a fact means the Burden of establishing. – The 12 burden of persuading the trier of fact that the existence of the a fact is more 13 probable than its nonexistence. 14 (9) "Buyer in ordinary course of business" means a Buyer in ordinary course of 15 business. – A person that buys goods in good faith, without knowledge that the sale violates the rights of another person in the goods, and in the ordinary 16 17 course from a person, other than a pawnbroker, in the business of selling goods 18 of that kind. A person buys goods in the ordinary course if the sale to the 19 person comports with the usual or customary practices in the kind of business 20 in which the seller is engaged or with the seller's own usual or customary 21 practices. A person that sells oil, gas, or other minerals at the wellhead or 22 minehead is a person in the business of selling goods of that kind. A buyer in 23 ordinary course of business may buy for cash, by exchange of other property, 24 or on secured or unsecured credit, and may acquire goods or documents of 25 title under a preexisting contract for sale. Only a buyer that takes possession 26 of the goods or has a right to recover the goods from the seller under Article 27 2 of this Chapter may be a buyer in ordinary course of business. "Buyer in 28 ordinary course of business" The term does not include a person that acquires 29 goods in a transfer in bulk or as security for or in total or partial satisfaction 30 of a money debt. "Conspicuous," with Conspicuous. - With reference to a term, means so 31 (10)32 written, displayed, or presented that that, based on the totality of the 33 <u>circumstances</u>, a reasonable person against which it is to operate ought to have noticed it. Whether a term is "conspicuous" or not is a decision for the court. 34 35 Conspicuous terms include the following: 36 A heading in capitals equal to or greater in size than the surrounding a. 37 text, or in contrasting type, font, or color to the surrounding text of the 38 same or lesser size; and 39 Language in the body of a record or display in larger type than the b. surrounding text, or in contrasting type, font, or color to the 40 41 surrounding text of the same size, or set off from surrounding text of 42 the same size by symbols or other marks that call attention to the 43 language. 44 "Consumer" means an Consumer. - An individual who enters into a (11)45 transaction primarily for personal, family, or household purposes. 46 (12)"Contract," as Contract. – As distinguished from "agreement," means the total legal obligation that results from the parties' agreement as determined by this 47 48 Chapter as supplemented by any other applicable laws. 49

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"Creditor" includes Creditor. – Includes a general creditor, a secured creditor,

a lien creditor, and any representative of creditors, including an assignee for

1 the benefit of creditors, a trustee in bankruptcy, a receiver in equity, and an 2 executor or administrator of an insolvent debtor's or assignor's estate. 3 "Defendant" includes Defendant. – Includes a person in the position of (14)4 defendant in a counterclaim, cross-claim, or third-party claim. 5 "Delivery", with Delivery. - With respect to an electronic document of title (15)6 title, means voluntary transfer of control and with control. With respect to an 7 instrument, a tangible document of title, or an authoritative tangible copy of a 8 record evidencing chattel paper, the term means voluntary transfer of 9 possession. "Document of title" means a Document of title. - A record (i) that in the 10 (16)11 regular course of business or financing is treated as adequately evidencing that 12 the person in possession or control of the record is entitled to receive, control, 13 hold, and dispose of the record and the goods the record covers and (ii) that 14 purports to be issued by or addressed to a bailee and to cover goods in the 15 bailee's possession which that are either identified or are fungible portions of an identified mass. The term includes a bill of lading, transport document, 16 17 dock warrant, dock receipt, warehouse receipt, and order for delivery of 18 goods. An electronic document of title means a document of title evidenced 19 by a record consisting of information stored in an electronic medium. A 20 tangible document of title means a document of title evidenced by a record 21 consisting of information that is inscribed on a tangible medium. 22 Electronic. – Relating to technology having electrical, digital, magnetic, (16a) 23 wireless, optical, electromagnetic, or similar capabilities. 24 (17)"Fault" means a Fault. – A default, breach, or wrongful act or omission. 25 "Fungible goods" means: Fungible goods. – Either of the following: (18)26 Goods of which any unit, by nature or usage of trade, are the equivalent 27 of any other like unit; or unit. 28 Goods that by agreement are treated as equivalent. 29 "Genuine" means free Genuine. – Free of forgery or counterfeiting. (19)30 (20)"Good faith," except Good faith. – Except as otherwise provided in Article 5 31 of this Chapter, means honesty in fact and the observance of reasonable 32 commercial standards of fair dealing. 33 (21)"Holder" means: Holder. – Any of the following: 34 The person in possession of a negotiable instrument that is payable a. 35 either to bearer or to an identified person that is the person in 36 possession; possession. 37 b. The person in possession of a negotiable tangible document of title if 38 the goods are deliverable either to bearer or to the order of the person 39 in possession; orpossession. The person in control control, other than pursuant to G.S. 25-7-106(g), 40 c. of a negotiable electronic document of title. 41 42 (22)"Insolvency proceeding" includes Insolvency proceeding. – Includes an 43 assignment for the benefit of creditors or other proceeding intended to 44 liquidate or rehabilitate the estate of the person involved. 45 "Insolvent" means: Insolvent. – Any of the following: (23)46 Having generally ceased to pay debts in the ordinary course of a. 47 business other than as a result of bona fide dispute; dispute. 48 Being unable to pay debts as they become due; ordue. b. 49 Being insolvent within the meaning of federal bankruptcy law.

"Money" means a Money. — A medium of exchange that is currently authorized or adopted by a domestic or foreign government. The term includes

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- a monetary unit of account established by an intergovernmental organization or by agreement between two or more countries. The term does not include an electronic record that is a medium of exchange recorded and transferable in a system that existed and operated for the medium of exchange before the medium of exchange was authorized or adopted by the government.
- (25) "Organization" means a Organization. A person other than an individual.
- (26) "Party," as Party. As distinguished from "third party," means a person that has engaged in a transaction or made an agreement subject to this Chapter.
- (27) "Person" means an Person. An individual, corporation, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, limited liability company, association, joint venture, government, governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality, public corporation, or any other legal or commercial entity. The term includes a protected series, however denominated, of an entity if the protected series is established under law other than this Chapter that limits, or limits if conditions specified under the law are satisfied, the ability of a creditor of the entity or of any other protected series of the entity to satisfy a claim from assets of the protected series.
- "Present value" means the Present value. The amount as of a date certain of one or more sums payable in the future, discounted to the date certain by use of either an interest rate specified by the parties if that rate is not manifestly unreasonable at the time the transaction is entered into or, if an interest rate is not so specified, a commercially reasonable rate that takes into account the facts and circumstances at the time the transaction is entered into.
- (29) "Purchase" means taking Purchase. Taking by sale, lease, discount, negotiation, mortgage, pledge, lien, security interest, issue or reissue, gift, or any other voluntary transaction creating an interest in property.
- (30) "Purchaser" means a Purchaser. A person that takes by purchase.
- (31) "Record" means information Record. Information that is inscribed on a tangible medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is retrievable in perceivable form.
- (32) "Remedy" means any Remedy. Any remedial right to which an aggrieved party is entitled with or without resort to a tribunal.
- (33) "Representative" means a Representative. A person empowered to act for another, including an agent, an officer of a corporation or association, and a trustee, executor, or administrator of an estate.
- (34) "Right" includes Right. Includes remedy.
- (35)"Security interest" means an Security interest. – An interest in personal property or fixtures which that secures payment or performance of an obligation. "Security interest" The term includes any interest of a consignor and a buyer of accounts, chattel paper, a payment intangible, or a promissory note in a transaction that is subject to Article 9 of this Chapter. "Security interest" The term does not include the special property interest of a buyer of goods on identification of those goods to a contract for sale under G.S. 25-2-401, but a buyer may also acquire a "security interest" by complying with Article 9 of this Chapter. Except as otherwise provided in G.S. 25-2-505, the right of a seller or lessor of goods under Article 2 or 2A of this Chapter to retain or acquire possession of the goods is not a "security interest," but a seller or lessor may also acquire a "security interest" by complying with Article 9 of this Chapter. The retention or reservation of title by a seller of goods notwithstanding shipment or delivery to the buyer under G.S. 25-2-401 is limited in effect to a reservation of a "security interest."

- 1 Whether a transaction in the form of a lease creates a "security interest" is 2 determined pursuant to G.S. 25-1-203. 3 "Send" in connection with a writing, record, or notice means: Send. – In (36)4 connection with a record or notification, means either of the following: 5 To deposit in the mail or mail, deliver for transmission transmission. a. 6 or transmit by any other usual means of communication 7 communication, with postage or cost of transmission provided for and 8 properly addressed and, in the case of an instrument, to an address 9 specified thereon or otherwise agreed, or if there be none for, addressed to any address reasonable under the circumstances; 10 11 orcircumstances. 12 b. In any other way to cause to be received any record or notice within 13 the time it would have arrived if properly sent. To cause the record or notification to be received within the time it would have been received 14 if properly sent under sub-subdivision a. of this subdivision. 15 "Signed" includes using any symbol executed or adopted with present 16 (37)17 intention to adopt or accept a writing. Sign. - With present intent to authenticate or adopt a record, means either of the following: 18 19 Execute or adopt a tangible symbol. a. 20 <u>b.</u> Attach to or logically associate with the record an electronic symbol, 21 sound, or process. "Signed," "signing," and "signature" have corresponding meanings. 22 23 "State" means a State State. - A state of the United States, the District of (38)24 Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any territory or 25 insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States. 26 (39)"Surety" includes Surety. – Includes a guarantor or other secondary obligor. 27 (40)"Term" means a Term. – A portion of an agreement that relates to a particular 28 matter. 29 "Unauthorized signature" means a Unauthorized signature. – A signature (41) 30 made without actual, implied, or apparent authority. The term includes a 31 forgery. 32 "Warehouse receipt" means a Warehouse receipt. – A document of title issued (42)33 by a person engaged in the business of storing goods for hire. 34 (43) "Writing" includes Writing. – Includes printing, typewriting, or any other 35 intentional reduction to tangible form. "Written" has a corresponding 36 meaning." 37 **SECTION 53.** G.S. 25-1-204 reads as rewritten: 38 "§ 25-1-204. Value. 39 Except as otherwise provided in Articles 3, 4, and 5, and 12, of this Chapter, a person gives 40 value for rights if the person acquires them: them in any of the following ways: In return for a binding commitment to extend credit or for the extension of 41 (1) 42 immediately available credit, whether or not drawn upon and whether or not 43 a charge-back is provided for in the event of difficulties in 44 collection; collection. 45 As security for, or in total or partial satisfaction of, a preexisting elaim; claim. (2)
 - (3) By accepting delivery under a preexisting contract for purchase; orpurchase.
 - In return for any consideration sufficient to support a simple contract." (4)

SECTION 54. G.S. 25-1-301 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-1-301. Territorial applicability; parties' power to choose applicable law.

Except as otherwise provided in this section, when a transaction bears a reasonable relation to this State and also to another state or nation the parties may agree that the law either

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of this State or of the other state or nation shall govern governs their rights and duties. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c) of this section, the parties to a business contract as defined in G.S. 1G-2(1) may agree in the business contract that North Carolina law shall govern governs their rights and duties in whole or in part, pursuant to G.S. 1G-3.

- (b) In the absence of an agreement effective under subsection (a) of this section, and except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, this Chapter applies to transactions bearing an appropriate relation to this State.
- (c) If one of the following provisions of this Chapter specifies the applicable law, that provision governs and a contrary agreement is effective only to the extent permitted by the specified law:
 - (1) G.S. 25-2-402; G.S. 25-2-402.
 - (2) G.S. 25-2A-105 and G.S. 25-2A-106; G.S. 25-2A-106.
 - (3) G.S. 25-4-102;G.S. 25-4-102.
 - (4) G.S. 25-4A-507; G.S. 25-4A-507.
 - (5) G.S. 25-5-116; G.S. 25-5-116.
 - (6) G.S. 25-8-110; G.S. 25-8-110.
 - (7) G.S. 25-9-301 through G.S. 25-9-307.
 - (8) <u>G.S. 25-12</u>-107."

SECTION 55. G.S. 25-1-306 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-1-306. Waiver or renunciation of claim or right after breach.

A claim or right arising out of an alleged breach may be discharged in whole or in part without consideration by agreement of the aggrieved party in an authenticated a signed record."

SECTION 56. In all sections of Articles 2 and 2A of Chapter 25 of the General Statutes that are not amended by this act, the Revisor of Statutes shall redesignate subunits in accordance with the General Statutes numbering system and shall make any necessary conforming changes.

SECTION 57. G.S. 25-2-102 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2-102. Scope; certain security and other transactions excluded from this article. Article.

Unless the context otherwise requires, this article applies to transactions in goods; it does not apply to any transaction which although in the form of an unconditional contract to sell or present sale is intended to operate only as a security transaction nor does this article impair or repeal any statute regulating sales to consumers, farmers or other specified classes of buyers.

- (a) <u>Unless the context otherwise requires, and except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, this Article applies to transactions in goods and, in the case of a hybrid transaction, it applies to the extent provided in subsection (b) of this section.</u>
 - (b) In a hybrid transaction, both of the following apply:
 - (1) If the sale-of-goods aspects do not predominate, only the provisions of this Article that relate primarily to the sale-of-goods aspects of the transaction apply, and the provisions that relate primarily to the transaction as a whole do not apply.
 - (2) If the sale-of-goods aspects predominate, this Article applies to the transaction but does not preclude application in appropriate circumstances of other law to aspects of the transaction that do not relate to the sale of goods.
 - (c) This Article does not do either of the following:
 - (1) Apply to a transaction that, even though in the form of an unconditional contract to sell or present sale, operates only to create a security interest.
 - (2) <u>Impair or repeal a statute regulating sales to consumers, farmers, or other specified classes of buyers."</u>

SECTION 58. G.S. 25-2-103 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2-103. Definitions and index of definitions.

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(1)(a) In this article unless the context otherwise requires Article, the following definitions
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      apply:
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                         Acceptance. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-606.
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                         Banker's credit. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-325.
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                         Between merchants. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-104.
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                        "Buyer" means a Buyer. – A person who that buys or contracts to buy goods.
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                         Repealed by Session Laws 2006-112, s. 2, effective October 1, 2006.
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                 (5)
                         Cancellation. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-106.
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                         Check. – Defined in G.S. 25-3-104.
                 (6)
                         Commercial unit. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-105.
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                 (8)
                         Confirmed credit. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-325.
                         Conforming to contract. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-106.
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                 (9)
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                         Consignee. – Defined in G.S. 25-7-102.
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                         Consignor. – Defined in G.S. 25-7-102.
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                 (11)
                         Consumer goods. – Defined in G.S. 25-9-102.
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                 (12)
                         Contract for sale. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-106.
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                         Control. – Defined in G.S. 25-7-106.
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                         Cover. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-712.
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                         Dishonor. – Defined in G.S. 25-3-502.
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                         <u>Draft.</u> – <u>Defined in G.S. 25-3-104.</u>
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                         Entrusting. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-403.
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                         Financing agency. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-104.
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                         Future goods. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-105.
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                         Goods. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-105.
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                         Identification. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-501.
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                         Merchant. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-104.
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                         Person in position of seller. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-707.
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                         Present sale. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-106.
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                 (c)(30) "Receipt" of goods means taking Receipt. – With respect to goods, means
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                         taking physical possession of them.the goods.
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                         Sale. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-106.
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                         Sale on approval. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-326.
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                         Sale or return. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-326.
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                 (d)(34) "Seller" means a Seller. – A person who that sells or contracts to sell goods.
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                         Any manufacturer of self-propelled motor vehicles, as defined in
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                         G.S. 20-4.01, is also a "seller" with respect to buyers of its product to whom
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                         which it makes an express warranty, notwithstanding any lack of privity
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                         between them, for purposes of all rights and remedies available to buyers
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                         under this Article.
                         <u>Termination. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-106.</u>
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                 Other definitions applying to this article or to specified parts thereof, and the sections
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      in which they appear are:
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                 "Acceptance."
                                                           G.S. 25-2-606.
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                 "Banker's credit."
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                 "Between merchants."
                                                           G.S. 25-2-104.
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                 "Cancellation."
                                                           G.S. 25-2-106 (4).
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                 "Commercial unit."
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1	"Confirmed credit."	G.S. 25-2-325.			
2	"Conforming to contract."	G.S. 25-2-106.			
3	"Contract for sale."	G.S. 25-2-106.			
4	"Cover."	G.S. 25-2-712.			
5	"Entrusting."	G.S. 25-2-403.			
6	"Financing agency."	G.S. 25-2-104.			
7	"Future goods."	G.S. 25-2-105.			
8	"Goods."	G.S. 25-2-105.			
9	"Identification."	G.S. 25-2-501.			
10	"Installment contract."	G.S. 25-2-612.			
11	"Letter of credit."	G.S. 25-2-325.			
12	<u>"Lot."</u>	G.S. 25-2-105.			
13	"Merchant."	G.S. 25-2-104.			
14	"Overseas."	G.S. 25-2-323.			
15	"Person in position of seller."	G.S. 25-2-707.			
16	"Present sale."	G.S. 25-2-106.			
17	"Sale."	G.S. 25-2-106.			
18	"Sale on approval."	G.S. 25-2-326.			
19	"Sale or return."	G.S. 25-2-326.			
20	"Termination."	G.S. 25-2-106.			
21	(3) "Control" as provided in G.S. 25-7	106 and the following definitions in other A			
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                "Check"
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                "Consignee"
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                "Consignor"
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                "Consumer Goods"
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                "Dishonor"
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                "Draft"
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(4)(b) In addition article 1 In addition, Article 1 of this Chapter contains general definitions and principles of construction and interpretation applicable throughout this article. Article."

SECTION 59. G.S. 25-2-106 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2-106. Definitions: "Contract"; "agreement"; "contract for sale"; "sale"; "present "layaway contract"; "conforming" to contract; "termination"; sale"; "cancellation." "cancellation"; "hybrid transaction."

(1)(a) In this article unless the context otherwise requires Article, "contract" and "agreement" are limited to those relating to the present or future sale of goods, including layaway contracts. "Contract for sale" includes both a present sale of goods and a contract to sell goods at a future time. A "sale" consists in the passing of title from the seller to the buyer for a price (G.S. 25-2-401). A "present sale" means a sale which that is accomplished by the making of the contract. A "layaway contract" means any contract for the sale of goods in which the seller agrees with the purchaser, in consideration for the purchaser's payment of a deposit, down payment, or similar initial payment, to hold identified goods for future delivery upon the purchaser's payment of a specified additional amount, whether in installments or otherwise.

(2)(b) Goods or conduct including any part of a performance are "conforming" or conform to the contract when they are in accordance with the obligations under the contract.

(3)(c) "Termination" occurs when either party pursuant to a power created by agreement or law puts an end to the contract otherwise than for its breach. On "termination" "termination," all obligations which that are still executory on both sides are discharged discharged, but any right based on prior breach or performance survives.

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- (4)(d) "Cancellation" occurs when either party puts an end to the contract for breach by the other and its effect is the same as that of "termination" except that the cancelling party also retains any remedy for breach of the whole contract or any unperformed balance.
- (e) "Hybrid transaction" means a single transaction involving a sale of goods and any of the following:
 - (1) The provision of services.
 - (2) A lease of other goods.
 - (3) A sale, lease, or license of property other than goods."

SECTION 60. G.S. 25-2-201 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2-201. Formal requirements; statute of frauds.

- (1)(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section section, a contract for the sale of goods for the price of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or more is not enforceable by way of action or defense unless there is some writing a record sufficient to indicate that a contract for sale has been made between the parties and signed by the party against whom enforcement is sought or by his the party's authorized agent or broker. A writing record is not insufficient because it omits or incorrectly states a term agreed upon but the contract is not enforceable under this paragraph subsection beyond the quantity of goods shown in such writing the record.
- (2)(b) Between merchants merchants, if within a reasonable time a writing record in confirmation of the contract and sufficient against the sender is received and the party receiving it has reason to know its contents, it the record satisfies the requirements of subsection (1) (a) of this section against such the party unless written notice in a record of objection to its contents is given within ten-10 days after it is received.
- (3)(c) A All of the following apply to a contract which that does not satisfy the requirements of subsection (1)(a) of this section but which that is valid in other respects is enforceable respects:

 - (b)(2) The contract is enforceable if the party against whom which enforcement is sought admits in his the party's pleading, testimony testimony, or otherwise in court that a contract for sale was made, but the contract is not enforceable under this provision subdivision beyond the quantity of goods admitted; oradmitted.
 - (e)(3) The contract is enforceable with respect to goods for which payment has been made and accepted or which that have been received and accepted (G.S. 25-2-606)."

SECTION 61. G.S. 25-2-202 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2-202. Final written expression; parol or extrinsic evidence.

Terms with respect to which the confirmatory memoranda of the parties agree or which that are otherwise set forth in a writing-record intended by the parties as a final expression of their agreement with respect to such terms as are included therein may the terms included in it shall not be contradicted by evidence of any prior agreement or of a contemporaneous oral agreement but may be explained or supplemented by the following:

- (a)(1) by By course of dealing or usage of trade (G.S. 25-1-205) or by course of performance (G.S. 25-2-208); and (G.S. 25-2-208).
- (b)(2) by By evidence of consistent additional terms unless the court finds the writing record to have been intended also as a complete and exclusive statement of the terms of the agreement."

SECTION 62. G.S. 25-2-203 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2-203. Seals inoperative.

The affixing of a seal to a <u>writing-record</u> evidencing a contract for sale or an offer to buy or sell goods does not <u>constitute the writing-render the record</u> a sealed <u>instrument instrument</u>, and the law with respect to sealed instruments does not apply to <u>such a</u> the contract or offer."

SECTION 63. G.S. 25-2-205 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2-205. Firm offers.

An offer by a merchant to buy or sell goods in a signed writing which record that by its terms gives assurance that it will be held open is not revocable, for lack of consideration, during the time stated or if no time is stated for a reasonable time, but in no event may such shall the period of irrevocability exceed three months; but any such the term of assurance on a form supplied by the offeree must shall be separately signed by the offeror."

SECTION 64. G.S. 25-2-209 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2-209. Modification, rescission rescission, and waiver.

- (1)(a) An agreement modifying a contract within this article Article needs no consideration to be binding.
- (2)(b) A signed agreement which that excludes modification or rescission except by a signed writing or other signed record cannot be otherwise modified or rescinded, but except as between merchants such a this requirement on a form supplied by the merchant must be separately signed by the other party.
- (3)(c) The requirements of the statute of frauds section of this article Article (G.S. 25-2-201) must be satisfied if the contract as modified is within its provisions.
- $\frac{(4)}{(d)}$ Although an attempt at modification or rescission does not satisfy the requirements of subsection $\frac{(2) \text{ or } (3)}{(b)}$ or $\frac{(c)}{(c)}$ of this section, it can operate as a waiver.
- (5)(e) A party who that has made a waiver affecting an executory portion of the contract may retract the waiver by reasonable notification received by the other party that strict performance will be required of any term waived, unless the retraction would be unjust in view of a material change of position in reliance on the waiver."

SECTION 65. G.S. 25-2A-102 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2A-102. Scope.

- (a) This Article applies to any transaction, regardless of form, that creates a <u>lease.lease</u> and, in the case of a hybrid lease, it applies to the extent provided in subsection (b) of this section.
 - (b) In a hybrid lease, both of the following apply:
 - (1) If the lease-of-goods aspects do not predominate, all of the following apply:
 - a. Only the provisions of this Article that relate primarily to the lease-of-goods aspects of the transaction apply, and the provisions of this Article that relate primarily to the transaction as a whole do not apply.
 - b. G.S. 25-2A-209 applies if the lease is a finance lease.
 - c. G.S. 25-2A-407 applies to the promises of the lessee in a finance lease to the extent the promises are consideration for the right to possession and use of the leased goods.
 - (2) If the lease-of-goods aspects predominate, this Article applies to the transaction but does not preclude application in appropriate circumstances of other law to aspects of the lease that do not relate to the lease of goods."

SECTION 66. G.S. 25-2A-103 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2A-103. Definitions and index of definitions.

- (1)(a) In this Article unless the context otherwise requires: Article, the following definitions apply:
 - (1) Accessions. Defined in G.S. 25-2A-310.
 - (2) Account. Defined in G.S. 25-9-102.
 - (3) Between merchants. Defined in G.S. 25-2-104.

1 Buyer. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-103. (4) 2 (a)(5) "Buyer in ordinary course of business" means a Buyer in ordinary course of 3 business. – A person who, that, in good faith and without knowledge that the sale to him the person is in violation of the ownership rights or security interest 4 5 or leasehold interest of a third party in the goods, buys in ordinary course from a person person, other than a pawnbroker, in the business of selling goods of 6 7 that kind but does not include a pawnbroker. kind. "Buying" may be for cash 8 or by exchange of other property or on secured or unsecured credit and 9 includes acquiring goods or documents of title under a preexisting contract for 10 sale but does not include a transfer in bulk or as security for or in total or 11 partial satisfaction of a money debt. (b)(6) "Cancellation" occurs Cancellation. – Occurs when either party puts an end to 12 13 the lease contract for default by the other party. Chattel paper. – Defined in G.S. 25-9-102. 14 (7) (e)(8) "Commercial unit" means such a Commercial unit. – A unit of goods as that 15 by commercial usage is a single whole for purposes of lease and the division 16 17 of which materially impairs its character or value on the market or in use. A 18 commercial unit may be a single article, as a machine, or a set of articles, as a 19 suite of furniture or a line of machinery, or a quantity, as a gross or carload, 20 or any other unit treated in use or in the relevant market as a single whole. (d)(9) "Conforming" goods or performance under a lease contract Conforming. – 21 With respect to goods or performance under a lease contract, means goods or 22 23 performance that are in accordance with the obligations under the lease 24 contract. 25 (10)Construction mortgage. – Defined in G.S. 25-2A-309. Consumer goods. – Defined in G.S. 25-9-102. 26 (11)(e)(12) "Consumer lease" means a Consumer lease. – A lease that a lessor regularly 27 28 engaged in the business of leasing or selling makes to a lessee who is an 29 individual and who takes under the lease primarily for a personal, family, or 30 household purpose, if the total payments to be made under the lease contract, excluding payments for options to renew or buy, do not exceed twenty-five 31 32 thousand dollars (\$25,000). 33 Document. – Defined in G.S. 25-9-102. <u>(13)</u> 34 (14)Encumbrance. – Defined in G.S. 25-2A-309. 35 Entrusting. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-403. (15)36 (f)(16) "Fault" means wrongful Fault. – Wrongful act, omission, breach, or default. (g)(17) "Finance lease" means a Finance lease. – A lease with respect to which: which 37 38 (i) the lessor does not select, manufacture, or supply the goods; (ii) the lessor 39 acquires the goods or the right to possession and use of the goods in 40 connection with the lease; and (iii) one of the following occurs: (A)a. the The lessee receives a copy of the contract by which the lessor 41 42 acquired the goods or the right to possession and use of the goods 43 before signing the lease contract; contract. 44 the The lessee's approval of the contract by which the lessor acquired 45 the goods or the right to possession and use of the goods is a condition 46 to effectiveness of the lease contract; contract. 47 the The lessee, before signing the lease contract, receives an accurate (C)c. 48 and complete statement designating the promises and warranties, and any disclaimers of warranties, limitations or modifications of 49 50 remedies, or liquidated damages, including those of a third party, such 51 as the manufacturer of the goods, provided to the lessor by the person

supplying the goods in connection with or as part of the contract by which the lessor acquired the goods or the right to possession and use of the goods; orgoods.

- (D)d. if If the lease is not a consumer lease, the lessor, before the lessee signs the lease contract, informs the lessee in writing (a)-(i) of the identity of the person supplying the goods to the lessor, unless the lessee has selected that person and directed the lessor to acquire the goods or the right to possession and use of the goods from that person, (b)-(ii) that the lessee is entitled under this Article to the promises and warranties, including those of any third party, provided to the lessor by the person supplying the goods in connection with or as part of the contract by which the lessor acquired the goods or the right to possession and use of the goods, and (e)-(iii) that the lessee may communicate with the person supplying the goods to the lessor and receive an accurate and complete statement of those promises and warranties, including any disclaimers and limitations of them or of remedies.
- (18) Fixture filing. Defined in G.S. 25-2A-309.
- (19) Fixtures. Defined in G.S. 25-2A-309.
- (20) General intangible. Defined in G.S. 25-9-102.
- (h)(21) "Goods" means all Goods. All things that are movable at the time of identification to the lease contract, or are fixtures (G.S. 25-2A-309), but the term does not include money, documents, instruments, accounts, chattel paper, general intangibles, or minerals or the like, including oil and gas, before extraction. The term also includes the unborn young of animals.
- (22) <u>Hybrid lease. A single transaction involving a lease of goods and any of the following:</u>
 - <u>a.</u> The provision of services.
 - <u>b.</u> A sale of other goods.
 - c. A sale, lease, or license of property other than goods.
- (i)(23) "Installment lease contract" means a Installment lease contract. A lease contract that authorizes or requires the delivery of goods in separate lots to be separately accepted, even though the lease contract contains a clause "each delivery is a separate lease" or its equivalent.
- (24) <u>Instrument. Defined in G.S. 25-9-102.</u>
- (j)(25) "Lease" means a Lease. A transfer of the right to possession and use of goods for a term in return for consideration, but a sale, including a sale on approval or a sale or return, or retention or creation of a security interest is not a lease. Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the term includes a sublease. The term includes a motor vehicle operating agreement that is considered a lease under §-section 7701(h) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (k)(26) "Lease agreement" means the Lease agreement. The bargain, with respect to the lease, of the lessor and the lessee in fact as found in their language or by implication from other circumstances including course of dealing or usage of trade or course of performance as provided in this Article. Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the term includes a sublease agreement.
- (*l*)(27) "Lease contract" means the Lease contract. The total legal obligation that results from the lease agreement as affected by this Article and any other applicable rules of law. Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the term includes a sublease contract.
- (m)(28) "Leasehold interest" means the Leasehold interest. The interest of the lessor or the lessee under a lease contract.

1 (n)(29) "Lessee" means a Lessee. – A person who that acquires the right to possession 2 and use of goods under a lease. Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, 3 the term includes a sublessee. 4 (o)(30) "Lessee in ordinary course of business" means a Lessee in ordinary course of 5 business. – A person who, that, in good faith and without knowledge that the 6 lease to him the person is in violation of the ownership rights or security 7 interest or leasehold interest of a third party in the goods, leases in ordinary 8 course from a person person, other than a pawnbroker, in the business of 9 selling or leasing goods of that kind but does not include a pawnbroker, kind. 10 "Leasing" may be for cash or by exchange of other property or on secured or 11 unsecured credit and includes acquiring goods or documents of title under a preexisting lease contract but does not include a transfer in bulk or as security 12 13 for or in total or partial satisfaction of a money debt. 14 (p)(31) "Lessor" means a Lessor. – A person who that transfers the right to possession and use of goods under a lease. Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, 15 the term includes a sublessor. 16 17 (a)(32) "Lessor's residual interest" means the Lessor's residual interest. – The lessor's 18 interest in the goods after expiration, termination, or cancellation of the lease 19 contract. (r)(33) "Lien" means a Lien. – A charge against or interest in goods to secure payment 20 21 of a debt or performance of an obligation, but the term does not include a 22 security interest. 23 (s)(34) "Lot" means a Lot. – A parcel or a single article that is the subject matter of a 24 separate lease or delivery, whether or not it is sufficient to perform the lease 25 contract. 26 Merchant. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-104. (35)27 (t)(36) "Merchant lessee" means a Merchant lessee. – A lessee that is a merchant with 28 respect to goods of the kind subject to the lease. 29 Mortgage. – Defined in G.S. 25-9-102. (37)30 (u)(38) "Present value" means the Present value. – The amount as of a date certain of one or more sums payable in the future, discounted to the date certain. The 31 32 discount is determined by the interest rate specified by the parties if the rate 33 was not manifestly unreasonable at the time the transaction was entered into; 34 otherwise, the discount is determined by a commercially reasonable rate that 35 takes into account the facts and circumstances of each case at the time the 36 transaction was entered into. 37 (v)(39) "Purchase" includes Purchase. – Includes taking by sale, lease, mortgage, 38 security interest, pledge, gift, or any other voluntary transaction creating an 39 interest in goods. 40 (40)Purchase money lease. – Defined in G.S. 25-2A-309. Pursuant to commitment. – Defined in G.S. 25-9-102. 41 (41) 42 (42)Receipt. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-103. 43 (43)Sale. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-106. Sale on approval. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-326. 44 (44) 45 Sale or return. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-326. (45)Seller. – Defined in G.S. 25-2-103. 46 (46)(w)(47)"Sublease" means a Sublease. – A lease of goods the right to possession 47 48 and use of which was acquired by the lessor as a lessee under an existing lease. 49 (x)(48) "Supplier" means a Supplier. – A person from whom which a lessor buys or

leases goods to be leased under a finance lease.

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1		(y)(49) "Supply contract" means a Supply contract. — A contract under which a lessor							
2		buys or leases goods to be leased.							
3		(z)(50) "Termination" occurs Termination. – Occurs when either party pursuant to a							
4		power created by agreement or law puts an end to the lease contract otherwise							
5		than for default.							
6	(2)	Other definitions applying to this Article and the sections in which they appear are:							
7		"Accessions".	G.S. 25-2A-310(1).						
8		"Construction mortgage".	G.S. 25-2A-309(1)(d).						
9		"Encumbrance".	G.S. 25-2A-309(1)(e).						
10		"Fixtures".	G.S. 25-2A-309(1)(a).						
11		"Fixture filing".	G.S. 25-2A-309(1)(b).						
12		"Purchase money lease".	G.S. 25-2A-309(1)(c).						
13	(3)	The following definitions in o	ther Articles apply to this Article:						
14		"Account"	G.S. 25-9-102(a)(2).						
15		"Between merchants"	G.S. 25-2-104(3).						
16		"Buyer"	G.S. 25-2-103(1)(a).						
17		"Chattel paper"	G.S. 25-9-102(a)(11).						
18		"Consumer goods"	G.S. 25-9-102(a)(23).						
19		"Document"	G.S. 25-9-102(a)(30).						
20		"Entrusting"	G.S. 25-2-403(3).						
21		"General intangible"	G.S. 25-9-102(a)(42).						
22		"Instrument"	G.S. 25-9-102(a)(47).						
23		"Merchant"	G.S. 25-2-104(1).						
24		"Mortgage"	G.S. 25-9-102(a)(55).						
25		"Pursuant to commitment"	G.S. 25-9-102(a)(68).						
26		"Receipt"	G.S. 25-2-103(1)(c).						
27		"Sale"	G.S. 25-2-106(1).						
28		"Sale on approval"	G.S. 25-2-326.						
29		"Sale or return"	G.S. 25-2-326.						
30		"Seller"	G.S. 25-2-103(1)(d).						
31	(4) (b)	(4)(b) In addition, Article 1 of this Chapter contains general definitions and principles of							
32	construction and interpretation applicable throughout this Article."								

SECTION 67. G.S. 25-2A-107 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2A-107. Waiver or renunciation of claim or right after default.

Any claim or right arising out of an alleged default or breach of warranty may be discharged in whole or in part without consideration by a written-waiver or renunciation in a signed and record delivered by the aggrieved party."

SECTION 68. G.S. 25-2A-201 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2A-201. Statute of frauds.

(1)(a) A lease contract is not enforceable by way of action or defense unless:unless either of the following applies:

- (a)(1) the The total payments to be made under the lease contract, excluding payments for options to renew or buy, are less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000); or(\$1,000).
- (b)(2) there There is a writing, record, signed by the party against whom which enforcement is sought or by that party's authorized agent, sufficient to indicate that a lease contract has been made between the parties and to describe the goods leased and the lease term.

(2)(b) Any description of leased goods or of the lease term is sufficient and satisfies subsection (1)(b) subdivision (a)(2) of this section, whether or not it is specific, if it reasonably identifies what is described.

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- (3)(c) A writing record is not insufficient because it omits or incorrectly states a term agreed upon, but the lease contract is not enforceable under subsection (1)(b) subdivision (a)(2) of this section beyond the lease term and the quantity of goods shown in the writing record.
- (4)(d) A-All of the following apply to a lease contract that does not satisfy the requirements of subsection (1)—(a) of this section, but which—that is valid in other respects, is enforceable:respects:
 - (a)(1) The contract is enforceable if the goods are to be specially manufactured or obtained for the lessee and are not suitable for lease or sale to others in the ordinary course of the lessor's business, and the lessor, before notice of repudiation is received and under circumstances that reasonably indicate that the goods are for the lessee, has made either a substantial beginning of their manufacture or commitments for their procurement; procurement.
 - (b)(2) The contract is enforceable if the party against whom which enforcement is sought admits in that party's pleading, testimony, or otherwise in court that a lease contract was made, but the lease contract is not enforceable under this provision subdivision beyond the quantity of goods admitted; or admitted.
 - (e)(3) The contract is enforceable with respect to goods that have been received and accepted by the lessee.
- (5)(e) The lease term under a lease contract referred to in subsection (4)-(d) of this section is: is as follows:
 - (a)(1) if—If there is a writing—record_signed by the party against whom—which enforcement is sought or by that party's authorized agent specifying the lease term, the term so specified; specified.
 - (b)(2) if If the party against whom which enforcement is sought admits in that party's pleading, testimony, or otherwise in court a lease term, the term so admitted; admitted.
 - (e)(3) if If there is other evidence of the parties' intent with regard to the lease term, the term so intended; or intended.
 - (d)(4) in In the absence of evidence of the parties' intent, a reasonable lease term." **SECTION 69.** G.S. 25-2A-202 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2A-202. Final written expression: parol or extrinsic evidence.

Terms with respect to which the confirmatory memoranda of the parties agree or which are otherwise set forth in a <u>writing-record</u> intended by the parties as a final expression of their agreement with respect to <u>such terms as are included therein may the terms included in it shall</u> not be contradicted by evidence of any prior agreement or of a contemporaneous oral agreement but may be explained or <u>supplemented:supplemented by the following:</u>

- (a)(1) by By course of dealing or usage of trade or by course of performance; and performance.
- (b)(2) by By evidence of consistent additional terms unless the court finds the writing record to have been intended also as a complete and exclusive statement of the terms of the agreement."

SECTION 70. G.S. 25-2A-203 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2A-203. Seals inoperative.

The affixing of a seal to a <u>writing record</u> evidencing a lease contract or an offer to enter into a lease contract does not render the <u>writing record</u> a sealed <u>instrument instrument</u>, and the law with respect to sealed instruments does not apply to the lease contract or offer."

SECTION 71. G.S. 25-2A-205 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2A-205. Firm offers.

An offer by a merchant to lease goods to or from another person in a signed writing record that by its terms gives assurance it will be held open is not revocable, for lack of consideration, during the time stated or, if no time is stated, for a reasonable time, but in no event may shall the

period of irrevocability exceed three months. <u>Any such The</u> term of assurance on a form supplied by the offeree <u>must shall</u> be separately signed by the offeror."

SECTION 72. G.S. 25-2A-208 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-2A-208. Modification, rescission-rescission, and waiver.

- (1)(a) An agreement modifying a lease contract needs no consideration to be binding.
- (2)(b) A signed lease agreement that excludes modification or rescission except by a signed writing may record shall not be otherwise modified or rescinded, but, except as between merchants, such a this requirement on a form supplied by a merchant must shall be separately signed by the other party.
- $\frac{(3)(c)}{(b)}$ Although an attempt at modification or rescission does not satisfy the requirements of subsection $\frac{(2)(b)}{(b)}$ of this section, it may operate as a waiver.
- (4)(d) A party who that has made a waiver affecting an executory portion of a lease contract may retract the waiver by reasonable notification received by the other party that strict performance will be required of any term waived, unless the retraction would be unjust in view of a material change of position in reliance on the waiver."

SECTION 73. G.S. 25-3-104 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-3-104. Negotiable instrument.

- (a) Except as provided in subsections (c) and (d) of this section, "negotiable instrument" means an unconditional promise or order to pay a fixed amount of money, with or without interest or other charges described in the promise or order, if it:all of the following apply:
 - (1) <u>Is-The promise or order is payable to bearer or to order at the time it is issued or first comes into possession of a holder; holder.</u>
 - (2) <u>Is-The promise or order is payable on demand or at a definite time; and time.</u>
 - (3) Does The promise or order does not state any other undertaking or instruction by the person promising or ordering payment to do any act in addition to the payment of money, but the promise or order may contain (i) an undertaking or power to give, maintain, or protect collateral to secure payment, (ii) an authorization or power to the holder to confess judgment or realize on or dispose of collateral, or (iii) a waiver of the benefit of any law intended for the advantage or protection of an obligor.obligor, (iv) a term that specifies the law that governs the promise or order, or (v) an undertaking to resolve in a specified forum a dispute concerning the promise or order.
 - (b) "Instrument" means a negotiable instrument.
- (c) An order that meets all of the requirements of subsection (a) of this section, except subdivision (1), (1) of that subsection, and otherwise falls within the definition of "check" in subsection (f) of this section is a negotiable instrument and a check.
- (d) A promise or order other than a check is not an instrument if, at the time it is issued or first comes into possession of a holder, it contains a conspicuous statement, however expressed, to the effect that the promise or order is not negotiable or is not an instrument governed by this Article.
- (e) An instrument is a "note" if it is a promise and is a "draft" if it is an order. If an instrument falls within the definition of both "note" and "draft", "draft," a person entitled to enforce the instrument may treat it as either.
- (f) "Check" means (i) a draft, other than a documentary draft, payable on demand and drawn on a bank or (ii) a cashier's check or teller's check. An instrument may be a check even though it is described on its face by another term, such as "money order".order."

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SECTION 74. G.S. 25-3-105 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-3-105. Issue of instrument.

(a) "Issue" means means either of the following:

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- the The first delivery of an instrument by the maker or drawer, whether to a (1) holder or nonholder, for the purpose of giving rights on the instrument to any person.
- If agreed by the payee, the first transmission by the drawer to the payee of an <u>(2)</u> image of an item and information derived from the item that enables the depositary bank to collect the item by transferring or presenting under federal law an electronic check.
- An unissued instrument, or an unissued incomplete instrument that is completed, is (b) binding on the maker or drawer, but nonissuance is a defense. An instrument that is conditionally issued or is issued for a special purpose is binding on the maker or drawer, but failure of the condition or special purpose to be fulfilled is a defense.
- "Issuer" applies to issued and unissued instruments and means a maker or drawer of an instrument."

SECTION 75. G.S. 25-3-401 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-3-401. Signature. Signature necessary for liability on instrument.

- A person is not liable on an instrument unless (i) the person signed the instrument, or (a) (ii) the person is represented by an agent or representative who signed the instrument and the signature is binding on the represented person under G.S. 25-3-402.
- A signature may be made (i) manually or by means of a device or machine, and (ii) (b) by the use of any name, including a trade or assumed name, or by a word, mark, or symbol executed or adopted by a person with present intention to authenticate a writing."

SECTION 76. G.S. 25-3-604 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-3-604. Discharge by cancellation or renunciation.

- A person entitled to enforce an instrument, with or without consideration, may discharge the obligation of a party to pay the instrument (i) by an intentional voluntary act, such as surrender of the instrument to the party, destruction, mutilation, or cancellation of the instrument, cancellation or striking out of the party's signature, or the addition of words to the instrument indicating discharge, or (ii) by agreeing not to sue or otherwise renouncing rights against the party by a signed writing. The obligation of a party to pay a check is not discharged solely by destruction of the check in connection with a process in which information is extracted from the check and an image of the check is made and, subsequently, the information and image are transmitted for payment.
- Cancellation or striking out of an endorsement indorsement pursuant to subsection (a) (b) of this section does not affect the status and rights of a party derived from the indorsement."

SECTION 77.(a) Subdivision (a)(1) of G.S. 25-4A-103 is recodified as subdivision (a)(3a) of that section.

SECTION 77.(b) G.S. 25-4A-103, as amended by subsection (a) of this section, reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-4A-103. Payment order – definitions.

- In this Article: Article, the following definitions apply: (a)
 - Recodified. (1)
 - "Beneficiary" means the Beneficiary. The person to be paid by the (2) beneficiary's bank.
 - "Beneficiary's bank" means the Beneficiary's bank. The bank identified in a (3) payment order in which an account of the beneficiary is to be credited pursuant to the order or which that otherwise is to make payment to the beneficiary if the order does not provide for payment to an account.
 - "Payment order" means an Payment order. An instruction of a sender to a (3a) receiving bank, transmitted orally, electronically, or in writing, orally or in a record, to pay, or to cause another bank to pay, a fixed or determinable amount of money to a beneficiary if: if all of the following apply:

- 1 (i)a. The instruction does not state a condition of payment to the beneficiary other than time of payment, payment.

 3 (ii)b. The receiving bank is to be reimbursed by debiting an account of, or
 - otherwise receiving payment from, the sender, and sender.
 - (iii)c. The instruction is transmitted by the sender directly to the receiving bank or to an agent, funds-transfer system, or communication system for transmittal to the receiving bank.
 - (4) "Receiving bank" means the Receiving bank. The bank to which the sender's instruction is addressed.
 - (5) "Sender" means the Sender. The person giving the instruction to the receiving bank.
 - (b) If an instruction complying with subsection (a)(1) subdivision (a)(3a) of this section is to make more than one payment to a beneficiary, the instruction is a separate payment order with respect to each payment.
 - (c) A payment order is issued when it is sent to the receiving bank." **SECTION 78.** G.S. 25-4A-201 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-4A-201. Security procedure.

"Security procedure" means a procedure established by agreement of a customer and a receiving bank for the purpose of (i) verifying that a payment order or communication amending or cancelling a payment order is that of the customer, or (ii) detecting error in the transmission or the content of the payment order or communication. A security procedure <u>may impose an obligation on the receiving bank or the customer and may require the use of algorithms or other codes, identifying words or words, numbers, symbols, sounds, biometrics, encryption, call-back procedures, or similar security devices. Comparison of a signature on a payment order or communication with an authorized specimen signature of the customer <u>or requiring a payment order to be sent from a known email address, IP address, or telephone number is not by itself a security procedure."</u></u>

SECTION 79. G.S. 25-4A-202 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-4A-202. Authorized and verified payment orders.

- (a) A payment order received by the receiving bank is the authorized order of the person identified as sender if that person authorized the order or is otherwise bound by it under the law of agency.
- (b) If a bank and its customer have agreed that the authenticity of payment orders issued to the bank in the name of the customer as sender will be verified pursuant to a security procedure, a payment order received by the receiving bank is effective as the order of the customer, whether or not authorized, if (i) the security procedure is a commercially reasonable method of providing security against unauthorized payment orders, and (ii) the bank proves that it accepted the payment order in good faith and in compliance with the bank's obligations under the security procedure and any written agreement or instruction of the eustomer customer, evidenced by a record, restricting acceptance of payment orders issued in the name of the customer. The bank is not required to follow an instruction that violates a written an agreement with the eustomer customer, evidenced by a record, or notice of which is not received at a time and in a manner affording the bank a reasonable opportunity to act on it before the payment order is accepted.
- (c) Commercial reasonableness of a security procedure is a question of law to be determined by considering the wishes of the customer expressed to the bank, the circumstances of the customer known to the bank, including the size, type, and frequency of payment orders normally issued by the customer to the bank, alternative security procedures offered to the customer, and security procedures in general use by customers and receiving banks similarly situated. A security procedure is deemed to be commercially reasonable if (i) the security procedure was chosen by the customer after the bank offered, and the customer refused, a security procedure that was commercially reasonable for that customer, and (ii) the customer expressly

agreed in <u>writing a record</u> to be bound by any payment order, whether or not authorized, issued in its name and accepted by the bank in compliance with <u>the bank's obligations under</u> the security procedure chosen by the customer.

- (d) The term "sender" in this Article includes the customer in whose name a payment order is issued if the order is the authorized order of the customer under subsection (a), or it subsection (a) of this section or if the order is effective as the order of the customer under subsection (b).(b) of this section.
- (e) This section applies to amendments and cancellations of payment orders to the same extent it applies to payment orders.
- (f) Except as provided in this section and in G.S. 25-4A-203(a)(1), rights and obligations arising under this section or G.S. 25-4A-203 may shall not be varied by agreement."

SECTION 80. G.S. 25-4A-203 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-4A-203. Unenforceability of certain verified payment orders.

- (a) If an accepted payment order is not, under G.S. 25-4A-202(a), an authorized order of a customer identified as sender, sender but is effective as an order of the customer pursuant to G.S. 25-4A-202(b), the following rules apply:
 - (1) By express written agreement, agreement evidenced by a record, the receiving bank may limit the extent to which it is entitled to enforce or retain payment of the payment order.
 - The receiving bank is not entitled to enforce or retain payment of the payment order if the customer proves that the order was not caused, directly or indirectly, by a person (i) entrusted at any time with duties to act for the customer with respect to payment orders or the security procedure, or (ii) who that obtained access to transmitting facilities of the customer or who that obtained, from a source controlled by the customer and without authority of the receiving bank, information facilitating breach of the security procedure, regardless of how the information was obtained or whether the customer was at fault. Information includes any access device, computer software, or the like
- (b) This section applies to amendments of payment orders to the same extent it applies to payment orders."

SECTION 81. G.S. 25-4A-207 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-4A-207. Misdescription of beneficiary.

- (a) Subject to subsection (b), (b) of this section, if, in a payment order received by the beneficiary's bank, the name, bank account number, or other identification of the beneficiary refers to a nonexistent or unidentifiable person or account, no person has rights as a beneficiary of the order and acceptance of the order cannot occur.
- (b) If a payment order received by the beneficiary's bank identifies the beneficiary both by name and by an identifying or bank account number and the name and number identify different persons, the following rules apply:
 - (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (e), (c) of this section, if the beneficiary's bank does not know that the name and number refer to different persons, it may rely on the number as the proper identification of the beneficiary of the order. The beneficiary's bank need not determine whether the name and number refer to the same person.
 - (2) If the beneficiary's bank pays the person identified by name or knows that the name and number identify different persons, no person has rights as beneficiary except the person paid by the beneficiary's bank if that person was entitled to receive payment from the originator of the funds transfer. If no person has rights as beneficiary, acceptance of the order cannot occur.

- (c) If (i) a payment order described in subsection (b) of this section is accepted, (ii) the originator's payment order described the beneficiary inconsistently by name and number, and (iii) the beneficiary's bank pays the person identified by number as permitted by subsection (b)(1), subdivision (b)(1) of this section, the following rules apply:
 - (1) If the originator is a bank, the originator is obliged to pay its order.
 - (2) If the originator is not a bank and proves that the person identified by number was not entitled to receive payment from the originator, the originator is not obliged to pay its order unless the originator's bank proves that the originator, before acceptance of the originator's order, had notice that payment of a payment order issued by the originator might be made by the beneficiary's bank on the basis of an identifying or bank account number even if it identifies a person different from the named beneficiary. Proof of notice may be made by any admissible evidence. The originator's bank satisfies the burden of proof if it proves that the originator, before the payment order was accepted, signed a writing record stating the information to which the notice relates.
- (d) In a case governed by subsection (b)(1), subdivision (b)(1) of this section, if the beneficiary's bank rightfully pays the person identified by number and that person was not entitled to receive payment from the originator, the amount paid may be recovered from that person to the extent allowed by the law governing mistake and restitution as follows:
 - (1) If the originator is obliged to pay its payment order as stated in subsection (e), (c) of this section, the originator has the right to recover.
 - (2) If the originator is not a bank and is not obliged to pay its payment order, the originator's bank has the right to recover."

SECTION 82. G.S. 25-4A-208 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-4A-208. Misdescription of intermediary bank or beneficiary's bank.

- (a) This subsection applies Both of the following apply to a payment order identifying an intermediary bank or the beneficiary's bank only by an identifying number.number:
 - (1) The receiving bank may rely on the number as the proper identification of the intermediary or beneficiary's bank and need not determine whether the number identifies a bank.
 - (2) The sender is obliged to compensate the receiving bank for any loss and expenses incurred by the receiving bank as a result of its reliance on the number in executing or attempting to execute the order.
- (b) This subsection applies All of the following apply to a payment order identifying an intermediary bank or the beneficiary's bank both by name and an identifying number if the name and number identify different persons.persons:
 - (1) If the sender is a bank, the receiving bank may rely on the number as the proper identification of the intermediary or beneficiary's bank if the receiving bank, when it executes the sender's order, does not know that the name and number identify different persons. The receiving bank need not determine whether the name and number refer to the same person or whether the number refers to a bank. The sender is obliged to compensate the receiving bank for any loss and expenses incurred by the receiving bank as a result of its reliance on the number in executing or attempting to execute the order.
 - (2) If the sender is not a bank and the receiving bank proves that the sender, before the payment order was accepted, had notice that the receiving bank might rely on the number as the proper identification of the intermediary or beneficiary's bank even if it identifies a person different from the bank identified by name, the rights and obligations of the sender and the receiving bank are governed by subsection (b)(1), subdivision (b)(1) of this section, as though the sender were a bank. Proof of notice may be made by any admissible evidence. The

receiving bank satisfies the burden of proof if it proves that the sender, before the payment order was accepted, signed a <u>writing_record_stating</u> the information to which the notice relates.

- (3) Regardless of whether the sender is a bank, the receiving bank may rely on the name as the proper identification of the intermediary or beneficiary's bank if the receiving bank, at the time it executes the sender's order, does not know that the name and number identify different persons. The receiving bank need not determine whether the name and number refer to the same person.
- (4) If the receiving bank knows that the name and number identify different persons, reliance on either the name or the number in executing the sender's payment order is a breach of the obligation stated in G.S. 25-4A-302(a)(1)."

SECTION 83. G.S. 25-4A-210 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-4A-210. Rejection of payment order.

(a) A payment order is rejected by the receiving bank by a notice of rejection transmitted to the sender orally, electronically, or in writing. orally or in a record. A notice of rejection need not use any particular words and is sufficient if it indicates that the receiving bank is rejecting the order or will not execute or pay the order. Rejection is effective when the notice is given if transmission is by a means that is reasonable in the circumstances. If notice of rejection is given by a means that is not reasonable, rejection is effective when the notice is received. If an agreement of the sender and receiving bank establishes the means to be used to reject a payment order, (i) any means complying with the agreement is reasonable and (ii) any means not complying is not reasonable unless no significant delay in receipt of the notice resulted from the use of the noncomplying means.

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SECTION 84. G.S. 25-4A-211 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-4A-211. Cancellation and amendment of payment order.

- (a) A communication of the sender of a payment order cancelling or amending the order may be transmitted to the receiving bank orally, electronically, or in writing. orally or in a record. If a security procedure is in effect between the sender and the receiving bank, the communication is not effective to cancel or amend the order unless the communication is verified pursuant to the security procedure or the bank agrees to the cancellation or amendment.
- (b) Subject to subsection (a), (a) of this section, a communication by the sender cancelling or amending a payment order is effective to cancel or amend the order if notice of the communication is received at a time and in a manner affording the receiving bank a reasonable opportunity to act on the communication before the bank accepts the payment order.
- (c) After a payment order has been accepted, cancellation or amendment of the order is not effective unless the receiving bank agrees or a funds-transfer system rule allows cancellation or amendment without agreement of the bank. The following provisions apply:
 - (1) With respect to a payment order accepted by a receiving bank other than the beneficiary's bank, cancellation or amendment is not effective unless a conforming cancellation or amendment of the payment order issued by the receiving bank is also made.
 - (2) With respect to a payment order accepted by the beneficiary's bank, cancellation or amendment is not effective unless the order was issued in execution of an unauthorized payment order, or because of a mistake by a sender in the funds transfer which that resulted in the issuance of a payment order (i) that is a duplicate of a payment order previously issued by the sender, (ii) that orders payment to a beneficiary not entitled to receive payment from the originator, or (iii) that orders payment in an amount greater than the amount the beneficiary was entitled to receive from the originator. If the payment order is cancelled or amended, the beneficiary's bank is entitled to

recover from the beneficiary any amount paid to the beneficiary to the extent allowed by the law governing mistake and restitution.

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(h) A funds-transfer system rule is not effective to the extent it conflicts with subsection (c)(2): subdivision (c)(2) of this section."

SECTION 85. G.S. 25-4A-305 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-4A-305. Liability for late or improper execution or failure to execute payment order.

- (a) If a funds transfer is completed but execution of a payment order by the receiving bank in breach of G.S. 25-4A-302 results in delay in payment to the beneficiary, the bank is obliged to pay interest to either the originator or the beneficiary of the funds transfer for the period of delay caused by the improper execution. Except as provided in subsection (c), (c) of this section, additional damages are not recoverable.
- (b) If execution of a payment order by a receiving bank in breach of G.S. 25-4A-302 results in (i) noncompletion of the funds transfer, (ii) failure to use an intermediary bank designated by the originator, or (iii) issuance of a payment order that does not comply with the terms of the payment order of the originator, the bank is liable to the originator for its expenses in the funds transfer and for incidental expenses and interest losses, to the extent not covered by subsection (a), (a) of this section, resulting from the improper execution. Except as provided in subsection (e), (c) of this section, additional damages are not recoverable.
- (c) In addition to the amounts payable under subsections (a) and (b), (b) of this section, damages, including consequential damages, are recoverable to the extent provided in an express written-agreement of the receiving bank.bank, evidenced by a record.
- (d) If a receiving bank fails to execute a payment order it was obliged by express agreement to execute, the receiving bank is liable to the sender for its expenses in the transaction and for incidental expenses and interest losses resulting from the failure to execute. Additional damages, including consequential damages, are recoverable to the extent provided in an express written—agreement of the receiving bank, evidenced by a record, but are not otherwise recoverable.
- (e) Reasonable attorneys' fees are recoverable if demand for compensation under subsection (a) or (b) of this section is made and refused before an action is brought on the claim. If a claim is made for breach of an agreement under subsection (d) of this section and the agreement does not provide for damages, reasonable attorneys' fees are recoverable if demand for compensation under subsection (d) of this section is made and refused before an action is brought on the claim.
- (f) Except as stated in this section, the liability of a receiving bank under subsections (a) and (b) may of this section shall not be varied by agreement."

SECTION 86. G.S. 25-5-104 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-5-104. Formal requirements.

A letter of credit, confirmation, advice, transfer, amendment, or cancellation may be issued in any form that is a record and is authenticated (i) by a signature or (ii) in accordance with the agreement of the parties or the standard practice referred to in G.S. 25-5-108(e).signed record."

SECTION 87. G.S. 25-5-116 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-5-116. Choice of law and forum.

- (a) The liability of an issuer, nominated person, or adviser for action or omission is governed by the law of the jurisdiction chosen by an agreement in the form of a record signed or otherwise authenticated by the affected parties in the manner provided in G.S. 25-5-104 or by a provision in the person's letter of credit, confirmation, or other undertaking. The jurisdiction whose law is chosen need not bear any relation to the transaction.
- (b) Unless subsection (a) of this section applies, the liability of an issuer, nominated person, or adviser for action or omission is governed by the law of the jurisdiction in which the person is located. The person is considered to be located at the address indicated in the person's

undertaking. If more than one address is indicated, the person is considered to be located at the address from which the person's undertaking was issued.

- (b1) For the purpose of jurisdiction, choice of law, and recognition of interbranch letters of credit, but not enforcement of a judgment, all branches of a bank are considered separate juridical entities and a bank is considered to be located at the place where its relevant branch is considered to be located under this subsection.subsection (b2) of this section.
- (b2) A branch of a bank is considered to be located at the address indicated in the branch's undertaking. If more than one address is indicated, the branch is considered to be located at the address from which the undertaking was issued.

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SECTION 88. G.S. 25-7-102 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-7-102. Definitions and index of definitions.

- (a) In this Article, unless the context otherwise requires: the following definitions apply:
 - (1) "Bailee" means a Bailee. A person that by a warehouse receipt, bill of lading, or other document of title acknowledges possession of goods and contracts to deliver them.
 - (2) "Carrier" means a Carrier. A person that issues a bill of lading.
 - (3) "Consignee" means a Consignee. A person named in a bill of lading to whom which or to whose order the bill promises delivery.
 - (4) "Consignor" means a Consignor. A person named in a bill of lading as the person from whom which the goods have been received for shipment.
 - (4a) Contract for sale. Defined in G.S. 25-2-106.
 - (5) "Delivery order" means a Delivery order. A record that contains an order to deliver goods directed to a warehouse, carrier, or other person that in the ordinary course of business issues warehouse receipts or bills of lading.
 - (6) Reserved for future codification purposes.
 - (7) "Goods" means all Goods. All things that are treated as movable for the purposes of a contract for storage or transportation.
 - (8) "Issuer" means a Issuer. A bailee that issues a document of title or, in the case of an unaccepted delivery order, the person that orders the possessor of goods to deliver. The term includes a person for whom which an agent or employee purports to act in issuing a document if the agent or employee has real or apparent authority to issue documents, even if the issuer did not receive any goods, the goods were misdescribed, or in any other respect the agent or employee violated the issuer's instructions.
 - (8a) Lessee in ordinary course of business. Defined in G.S. 25-2A-103.
 - (9) "Person entitled under the document" means the Person entitled under the document. The holder, in the case of a negotiable document of title, or the person to whom which delivery of the goods is to be made by the terms of, or pursuant to instructions in a record under, a nonnegotiable document of title.
 - (10) "Receipt" of goods. Defined in G.S. 25-2-103.
 - (11) "Sign" means, with present intent to authenticate or adopt a record:
 - a. To execute or adopt a tangible symbol; or
 - b. To attach to or logically associate with the record an electronic sound, symbol, or process.
 - (12) "Shipper" means a Shipper. A person that enters into a contract of transportation with a carrier.
 - (13) "Warehouse" means a Warehouse. A person engaged in the business of storing goods for hire.
- (b) Definitions in other Articles applying to this Article and the sections in which they appear are:

"Contract for sale," G.S. 25-2-106. 1 (1)2 (2)"Lessee in the ordinary course of business," G.S. 25-2A-103. 3 "Receipt" of goods, G.S. 25-2-103. (3)4 In addition, Article 1 of this Chapter contains general definitions and principles of (c) 5 construction and interpretation applicable throughout this Article." **SECTION 89.** G.S. 25-7-106 reads as rewritten: 6 7 "§ 25-7-106. Control of electronic document of title. 8 A person has control of an electronic document of title if a system employed for 9 evidencing the transfer of interests in the electronic document reliably establishes that person as 10 the person to which the electronic document was issued or transferred. 11 A system satisfies subsection (a) of this section, and a person is deemed to have has control of an electronic document of title, if the document is created, stored, and assigned 12 13 transferred in such a manner that: where all of the following apply: 14 A single authoritative copy of the document exists which that is unique, (1) identifiable, and, except as otherwise provided in subdivisions (4), (5), and (6) 15 of this subsection, unalterable; unalterable. 16 17 The authoritative copy identifies the person asserting control as:as either of (2) 18 the following: The person to whom which the document was issued; or issued. 19 a. 20 b. If the authoritative copy indicates that the document has been transferred, the person to whom-which the document was most 21 recently transferred; transferred. 22 23 The authoritative copy is communicated to and maintained by the person (3) 24 asserting control or its designated eustodian; custodian. 25 Copies or amendments that add or change an identified assignee transferee of (4) 26 the authoritative copy can be made only with the consent of the person 27 asserting control: 28 (5) Each copy of the authoritative copy and any copy of a copy is readily 29 identifiable as a copy that is not the authoritative copy; andcopy. 30 (6) Any amendment of the authoritative copy is readily identifiable as authorized 31 or unauthorized. 32 A system satisfies subsection (a) of this section, and a person has control of an 33 electronic document of title, if an authoritative electronic copy of the document, a record attached 34 to or logically associated with the electronic copy, or a system in which the electronic copy is 35 recorded does all of the following: 36 Enables the person readily to identify each electronic copy as either an (1) 37 authoritative copy or a nonauthoritative copy. 38 Enables the person readily to identify itself in any way, including by name, **(2)** 39 identifying number, cryptographic key, office, or account number, as the 40 person to which each authoritative electronic copy was issued or transferred. Gives the person exclusive power, subject to subsection (d) of this section, to 41 <u>(3)</u> 42 do both of the following: 43 Prevent others from adding or changing the person to which each a. authoritative electronic copy has been issued or transferred. 44 Transfer control of each authoritative electronic copy. 45 Subject to subsection (e) of this section, a power is exclusive under subdivision (c)(3) 46 of this section even if either of the following applies: 47 48 The authoritative electronic copy, a record attached to or logically associated (1) 49 with the authoritative electronic copy, or a system in which the authoritative electronic copy is recorded limits the use of the document of title or has a 50

1			protocol that is programmed to cause a change, including a transfer or loss of
2			control.
3		<u>(2)</u>	The power is shared with another person.
4	<u>(e)</u>	A pow	ver of a person is not shared with another person under subdivision (d)(2) of this
5	section an	d the pe	erson's power is not exclusive if both of the following apply:
6		(1)	The person can exercise the power only if the power also is exercised by the
7			other person.
8		<u>(2)</u>	Either of the following applies to the other person:
9			a. The other person can exercise the power without exercise of the power
10			by the person.
11			b. The other person is the transferor to the person of an interest in the
12			document of title.
13	(f)	If a pe	erson has the powers specified in subdivision (c)(3) of this section, the powers
14		-	be exclusive.
15	(g)		son has control of an electronic document of title if either of the following
16			person, other than the transferor to the person of an interest in the document:
17	ирриев то	(1)	The other person has control of the document and acknowledges that it has
18		(1)	control on behalf of the person.
19		(2)	The other person obtains control of the document after having acknowledged
20		<u>(2)</u>	that it will obtain control of the document on behalf of the person.
21	(h)	A ners	son that has control under this section is not required to acknowledge that it has
22			of another person.
23	(i)		rson acknowledges that it has or will obtain control on behalf of another person,
24			otherwise agrees or law other than this Article or Article 9 of this Chapter
25		-	es, the person does not owe any duty to the other person and is not required to
26		_	owledgment to any other person."
27	Commin u		TION 90. G.S. 25-8-102 reads as rewritten:
28	"§ 25-8-10		
29	(a)		Article: Article, the following definitions apply:
30	(a)	(1)	"Adverse claim" means a Adverse claim. – A claim that a claimant has a
31		(1)	property interest in a financial asset and that it is a violation of the rights of
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			the claimant for another person to hold, transfer, or deal with the financial
33		(1.)	asset.
34		(1a)	Appropriate person. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-107.
35		(2)	"Bearer form", as Bearer form. – As applied to a certificated security, means
36			a form in which the security is payable to the bearer of the security certificate
37		(2)	according to its terms but not by reason of an indorsement.
38		(3)	"Broker" means a Broker. – A person defined as a broker or dealer under the
39		(4)	federal securities laws, but without excluding a bank acting in that capacity.
40		(4)	"Certificated security" means a Certificated security. – A security that is
41		(5)	represented by a certificate.
42		(5)	"Clearing corporation" means: Clearing corporation. – Any of the following:
43			(i)a. A person that is registered as a "clearing agency" under the federal
44			securities laws; laws.
45			(ii)b. A federal reserve bank; orbank.
46			(iii)c. Any other person that provides clearance or settlement services with
47			respect to financial assets that would require it to register as a clearing
48			agency under the federal securities laws but for an exclusion or
49			exemption from the registration requirement, if its activities as a
50			clearing corporation, including promulgation of rules, are subject to
51			regulation by a federal or state governmental authority.

1	(6)	"Communicate" means to:Communicate. – Either of the following:
2		(i)a. Send a signed writing; or record.
3		(ii)b. Transmit information by any mechanism agreed upon by the persons
4		transmitting and receiving the information.
5	<u>(6a)</u>	Control. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-106.
6	<u>(6b)</u>	Controllable account. – Defined in G.S. 25-9-102.
7	(6c)	Controllable electronic record. – Defined in G.S. 25-12-102.
8	<u>(6d)</u>	Controllable payment intangible. – Defined in G.S. 25-9-102.
9	<u>(6e)</u>	<u>Delivery. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-301.</u>
10	(7)	"Entitlement holder" means a Entitlement holder. – A person identified in the
11		records of a securities intermediary as the person having a security entitlement
12		against the securities intermediary. If a person acquires a security entitlement
13		by virtue of G.S. 25-8-501(b)(2) or (3), that person is the entitlement holder.
14	(8)	"Entitlement order" means a Entitlement order. – A notification
15		communicated to a securities intermediary directing transfer or redemption of
16		a financial asset to which the entitlement holder has a security entitlement.
17	(9)	"Financial asset", except Financial asset. – Except as otherwise provided in
18		G.S. 25-8-103, means:means any of the following:
19		(i)a. A security; security.
20		(ii)b. An obligation of a person or a share, participation, or other interest in
21		a person or in property or an enterprise of a person, which that is, or is
22		of a type, dealt in or traded on financial markets, or which that is
23		recognized in any area in which it is issued or dealt in as a medium for
24		investment; or investment.
25		(iii)c. Any property that is held by a securities intermediary for another
26		person in a securities account if the securities intermediary has
27		expressly agreed with the other person that the property is to be treated
28		as a financial asset under this Article.
29 30		As context requires, the term means either the interest itself or the means by
31		which a person's claim to it is evidenced, including a certificated or uncertificated security, a security certificate, or a security entitlement.
32	(10)	Repealed by Session Laws 2006-112, s. 20, effective October 1, 2006.
33	(11)	"Indorsement" means a Indorsement. — A signature that alone or accompanied
34	(11)	by other words is made on a security certificate in registered form or on a
35		separate document for the purpose of assigning, transferring, or redeeming the
36		security or granting a power to assign, transfer, or redeem it.
37	(12)	"Instruction" means a Instruction. — A notification communicated to the issuer
38	(12)	of an uncertificated security which that directs that the transfer of the security
39		be registered or that the security be redeemed.
40	(12a)	Investment company security. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-103.
41	$\frac{(12a)}{(12b)}$	Issuer. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-201.
42	$\frac{(12c)}{(12c)}$	Overissue. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-210.
43	$\frac{(12d)}{(12d)}$	Protected purchaser. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-303.
44	$\frac{(120)}{(13)}$	"Registered form", as Registered form. – As applied to a certificated security,
45	(15)	means a form in which:which both of the following apply:
46		(i)a. The security certificate specifies a person entitled to the security;
47		and security.
48		(ii)b. A transfer of the security may be registered upon books maintained for
49		that purpose by or on behalf of the issuer, or the security certificate so
50		states.
51	(13a)	Securities account. – Defined in G.S. 25-8-501.
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1		(14)	"Secu	rities intermediary" means:	Securities intermediary.	- Either of the
2			<u>follow</u>	<u>'ing:</u>		
3			(i) a.	A clearing corporation; or	corporation.	
4			(ii) b.	A person, including a bank	or broker, that in the ordin	ary course of its
5				business maintains securit	ies accounts for others and	is acting in that
6				capacity.		
7		(15)	"Secu	rity", except <u>Security. – Exc</u>	ept as otherwise provided in	n G.S. 25-8-103,
8			means	an obligation of an issuer of	or a share, participation, or	other interest in
9			an issu	uer or in property or an enter	rprise of an issuer: <u>issuer th</u>	at satisfies all of
10			the fol	lowing requirements:		
11			(i) a.	Which It is represented by	a security certificate in bea	rer or registered
12				form, or the its transfer	of which may be register	red upon books
13				maintained for that purpos	e by or on behalf of the iss ı	uer; issuer.
14			(ii) b.	Which It is one of a class	or series or by its terms is	divisible into a
15				class or series of shares	, participations, interests,	or obligations;
16				andobligations.		
17			(iii) c.			
18				(A)1. Is, It is, or is of a type	e, dealt in or traded on secu	ırities exchanges
19				or securities marke	ts; or markets.	
20					for investment and by its	
21				-	security governed by this A	
22		(16)	"Secu	rity certificate" means a <u>Sec</u> i	<u>urity certificate. – A</u> certific	cate representing
23			a secu	•		
24		(17)		rity entitlement" means the		
25			property interest of an entitlement holder with respect to a financial asset			
26			-	ied in Part 5 of this Article.		
27		(18)		rtificated security" means a	<u>Uncertificated security. – A</u>	A security that is
28			-	presented by a certificate.		
29	(b)	Other		ons applying to this Article a		1ey appear are:
30				priate person"	G.S. 25-8-107.	
31			"Contro		G.S. 25-8-106.	
32			"Delive	<u> </u>	G.S. 25-8-301.	
33				nent company security"	G.S. 25-8-103.	
34			"Issuer"		G.S. 25-8-201.	
35			"Overis		G.S. 25-8-210.	
36				ted purchaser"	G.S. 25-8-303.	
37			"Securit	ties account"	G.S. 25-8-501.	

- (c) In addition, Article 1 of this Chapter contains general definitions and principles of construction and interpretation applicable throughout this Article.
- (d) The characterization of a person, business, or transaction for purposes of this Article does not determine the characterization of the person, business, or transaction for purposes of any other law, regulation, or rule.law."

SECTION 91. G.S. 25-8-103 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-8-103. Rules for determining whether certain obligations and interests are securities or financial assets.

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49 50 (d) A writing that is a security certificate is governed by this Article and not by Article 3 of this Chapter, even though it also meets the requirements of that Article. However, a negotiable instrument governed by Article 3 of this Chapter is a financial asset if it is held in a securities account.

- (e) An option or similar obligation issued by a clearing corporation to its participants is not a security, security but is a financial asset.
- (f) A commodity contract, as defined in G.S. 25-9-102(a)(15), G.S. 25-9-102, is not a security or financial asset.
- (g) A document of title is not a financial asset unless G.S. 25-8-102(a)(9)(iii) G.S. 25-8-102(a)(9)c. applies.
- (h) A controllable account, controllable electronic record, or controllable payment intangible is not a financial asset unless G.S. 25-8-102(a)(9)c. applies."

SECTION 92. G.S. 25-8-106 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-8-106. Control.

- (a) A purchaser has "control" of a certificated security in bearer form if the certificated security is delivered to the purchaser.
- (b) A purchaser has "control" of a certificated security in registered form if the certificated security is delivered to the purchaser, and:and either of the following applies:
 - (1) The certificate is <u>endorsed indorsed</u> to the purchaser or in blank by an effective <u>endorsement</u>; <u>or</u>indorsement.
 - (2) The certificate is registered in the name of the purchaser, upon original issue or registration of transfer by the issuer.
- (c) A purchaser has "control" of an uncertificated security if: if either of the following applies:
 - (1) The uncertificated security is delivered to the purchaser; or purchaser.
 - (2) The issuer has agreed that it will comply with instructions originated by the purchaser without further consent by the registered owner.
 - (d) A purchaser has "control" of a security entitlement if: if any of the following applies:
 - (1) The purchaser becomes the entitlement holder;holder.
 - (2) The securities intermediary has agreed that it will comply with entitlement orders originated by the purchaser without further consent by the entitlement holder; orholder.
 - (3) Another person has control of the security entitlement on behalf of the purchaser or, having previously acquired control of the security entitlement, acknowledges that it has control on behalf of the purchaser. Either of the following applies to another person, other than the transferor to the purchaser of an interest in the security entitlement:
 - a. The other person has control of the security entitlement and acknowledges that it has control on behalf of the purchaser.
 - b. The other person obtains control of the security entitlement after having acknowledged that it will obtain control of the security entitlement on behalf of the purchaser.
- (e) If an interest in a security entitlement is granted by the entitlement holder to the entitlement holder's own securities intermediary, the securities intermediary has control.
- (f) A purchaser who that has satisfied the requirements of subsection (c) or (d) of this section has control, even if the registered owner in the case of subsection (c) of this section or the entitlement holder in the case of subsection (d) of this section retains the right to make substitutions for the uncertificated security or security entitlement, to originate instructions or entitlement orders to the issuer or securities intermediary, or otherwise to deal with the uncertificated security or security entitlement.
- (g) An issuer or a securities intermediary may shall not enter into an agreement of the kind described in subdivision (c)(2) or (d)(2) of this section without the consent of the registered owner or entitlement holder, but an issuer or a securities intermediary is not required to enter into such an this kind of agreement even though the registered owner or entitlement holder so directs. An issuer or securities intermediary that has entered into such an this kind of agreement is not

required to confirm the existence of the agreement to another party unless requested to do so by the registered owner or entitlement holder.

- (h) A person that has control under this section is not required to acknowledge that it has control on behalf of a purchaser.
- (i) <u>If a person acknowledges that it has or will obtain control on behalf of a purchaser, unless the person otherwise agrees or law other than this Article or Article 9 of this Chapter otherwise provides, the person does not owe any duty to the purchaser and is not required to confirm the acknowledgment to any other person."</u>

SECTION 93. G.S. 25-8-110 reads as rewritten:

"§ 25-8-110. Applicability; choice of law.

- (a) The local law of the issuer's jurisdiction, as specified in subsection (d) of this section, governs:governs all of the following:
 - (1) The validity of a security; security.
 - (2) The rights and duties of the issuer with respect to registration of transfer; transfer.
 - (3) The effectiveness of registration of transfer by the issuer; issuer.
 - (4) Whether the issuer owes any duties to an adverse claimant to a security; and security.
 - (5) Whether an adverse claim can be asserted against a person to whom which transfer of a certificated or uncertificated security is registered or a person who that obtains control of an uncertificated security.
- (b) The local law of the securities intermediary's jurisdiction, as specified in subsection (e) of this section, governs:governs all of the following:
 - (1) Acquisition of a security entitlement from the securities intermediary; intermediary.
 - (2) The rights and duties of the securities intermediary and entitlement holder arising out of a security entitlement; entitlement.
 - (3) Whether the securities intermediary owes any duties to an adverse claimant to a security entitlement; and entitlement.
 - (4) Whether an adverse claim can be asserted against a person who that acquires a security entitlement from the securities intermediary or a person who that purchases a security entitlement or interest therein from an entitlement holder.
- (c) The local law of the jurisdiction in which a security certificate is located at the time of delivery governs whether an adverse claim can be asserted against a person to whom which the security certificate is delivered.
- (d) "Issuer's jurisdiction" means the jurisdiction under which the issuer of the security is organized or, if permitted by the law of that jurisdiction, the law of another jurisdiction specified by the issuer. An issuer organized under the law of this State may specify the law of another jurisdiction as the law governing the matters specified in subdivisions (a)(2) through (5) of this section.
- (e) The following rules determine a "securities intermediary's jurisdiction" for purposes of this section:
 - (1) If an agreement between the securities intermediary and its entitlement holder governing the securities account expressly provides that a particular jurisdiction is the securities intermediary's jurisdiction for purposes of this Part, this Article, or this Chapter, that jurisdiction is the securities intermediary's jurisdiction.
 - (2) If subdivision (1) of this subsection does not apply and an agreement between the securities intermediary and its entitlement holder governing the securities account expressly provides that the agreement is governed by the law of a

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1 particular jurisdiction, that jurisdiction is the securities intermediary's 2 jurisdiction. 3 If neither subdivision (1) nor subdivision (2) of this section subsection applies (3) 4 and an agreement between the securities intermediary and its entitlement 5 holder governing the securities account expressly provides that the securities 6 account is maintained at an office in a particular jurisdiction, that jurisdiction 7 is the securities intermediary's jurisdiction. 8 (4) If none of the preceding subdivisions of this subsection applies, the securities 9 intermediary's jurisdiction is the jurisdiction in which the office identified in 10 an account statement as the office serving the entitlement holder's account is 11 located. 12 (5) If none of the preceding subdivisions of this subsection applies, the securities 13 intermediary's jurisdiction is the jurisdiction in which the chief executive 14 office of the securities intermediary is located. A securities intermediary's jurisdiction is not determined by the physical location of 15 (f) certificates representing financial assets, or by the jurisdiction in which is organized the issuer of 16 17 the financial asset with respect to which an entitlement holder has a security entitlement, or by 18 the location of facilities for data processing or other record keeping concerning the account. 19 The local law of the issuer's jurisdiction or the securities intermediary's jurisdiction (g) 20 governs a matter or transaction specified in subsection (a) or (b) of this section even if the matter 21 or transaction does not bear any relation to the jurisdiction." 22 **SECTION 94.** G.S. 25-8-303 reads as rewritten: 23 "§ 25-8-303. Protected purchaser. 24 "Protected purchaser" means a purchaser of a certificated or uncertificated security, 25 or of an interest therein, who:to which all of the following apply: 26 Gives value; The purchaser gives value. (1) Does The purchaser does not have notice of any adverse claim to the security; 27 (2) 28 and security. 29 Obtains The purchaser obtains control of the certificated or uncertificated (3) 30 security. 31 In addition to acquiring the rights of a purchaser, a A protected purchaser also 32 acquires its interest in the security free of any adverse claim." 33 34 PART IV. OTHER CONFORMING CHANGES 35 **SECTION 95.** G.S. 44A-40 reads as rewritten: 36 "§ 44A-40. Definitions. 37 As used in this Article, unless the context clearly requires otherwise: the following definitions 38 apply: 39 "E-mail" or "electronic mail" means an Email or electronic mail. - An (1) 40 electronic message or an executable program or computer file that contains an 41 image of a message that is transmitted between two or more computers or 42 electronic terminals. The term includes electronic messages that are 43 transmitted within or between computer networks. "Independent bidder" means a Independent bidder. – A person who that is not 44 (1a) related to the lienor, within the meaning of G.S. 25-9-102(62), in the case of 45 a lienor who is an individual, or G.S. 25-9-102(63), in the case of a lienor that 46 47 is an organization.G.S. 25-9-102(a)(62). 48 "Last known address" means that Last known address. – The mailing address (1b) 49 or e-mail email address provided by the occupant in the latest rental agreement

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- 1 (2) "Lienor" means any Lienor. A person entitled to a lien under this Article.
 2 (3) "Occupant" means a Occupant. A person, his or a person's sublessee,
 3 successor, or assign, entitled to the use of the storage space at a self-service
 4 storage facility under a rental agreement, to the exclusion of others.
 - (4) "Owner" means the Owner. Consists of the following:
 - <u>a.</u> <u>The</u> owner, operator, lessor, or sublessor of a self-service storage <u>facility, facility.</u>
 - <u>b.</u> his agent, or The agent of a person described in sub-subdivision a. of this subdivision.
 - <u>c.</u> any other person authorized by him A person authorized by a person described in sub-subdivision a. of this subdivision to manage the facility or to receive rent from an occupant under a rental agreement.
 - (5) "Personal property" means movable Personal property. Movable property not affixed to land and land. The term includes, but is not limited to, goods, merchandise, household items, and watercraft.
 - (6) "Rental agreement" means any Rental agreement. An agreement or lease, written or oral, that establishes or modifies the terms, conditions, rules-rules, or any other provisions concerning the use and occupancy of a self-service storage facility.
 - (7) "Self-service storage facility" means any real Self-service storage facility. Real property designed and used for the purpose of renting or leasing individual storage space to occupants who that are to have access to such for the purpose of storing and removing personal property. No occupant shall use a self-service storage facility for residential purposes. A self-service storage facility is not subject to the provisions of Article 7 of General Statutes Chapter 25. Provided, however, if Article 7 of Chapter 25 of the General Statutes. If, however, an owner issues any warehouse receipt, bill of lading, or other document of title for the personal property stored, the owner and the occupant are subject to the provisions of Article 7 of General Statutes Chapter 25 and the provisions of this Article do not apply. Article 7 of Chapter 25 of the General Statutes and this Article does not apply.
 - (8) "Verified electronic mail" means electronic Verified electronic mail. Electronic mail that is transmitted to an e-mail-email address that the sender has verified by any reasonable means as being a working electronic mail address."

PART V. TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

GENERAL PROVISIONS AND DEFINITIONS

SECTION 96. Title. – This Part may be cited as Transitional Provisions for Uniform Commercial Code Amendments (2022).

SECTION 97.(a) Part Definitions. – In this Part, the following definitions apply:

- (1) Adjustment date. The date that is one year after the effective date of this act.
- (2) Amended Article 9. Article 9 of Chapter 25 of the General Statutes, as amended by this act.
- (3) Article 12. Article 12 of Chapter 25 of the General Statutes.
- (4) Article 12 property. A controllable account, controllable electronic record, or controllable payment intangible.
- (5) Controllable account. Defined in G.S. 25-9-102.
- (6) Controllable electronic record. Defined in G.S. 25-12-102.
- (7) Controllable payment intangible. Defined in G.S. 25-9-102.

- (8) Electronic money. Defined in G.S. 25-9-102.
- (9) Financing statement. Defined in G.S. 25-9-102.

SECTION 97.(b) Article 1 Definitions and Principles. – Article 1 of Chapter 25 of the General Statutes contains general definitions and principles of construction and interpretation applicable throughout this Part.

GENERAL TRANSITIONAL PROVISION

SECTION 98. General Applicability; Saving Clause. – This act applies to a transaction, lien, or other interest in property that is entered into, created, or acquired on or after the effective date of this act. Except as otherwise provided in this Part, a transaction validly entered into before the effective date of this act and the rights, duties, and interests flowing from the transaction remain valid thereafter and may be terminated, completed, consummated, or enforced as required or permitted by law other than Chapter 25 of the General Statutes or, if applicable, Chapter 25 of the General Statutes, as though this act had not taken effect.

TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS FOR ARTICLES 9 AND 12

SECTION 99.(a) Pre-Effective-Date Transaction, Lien, or Interest. – Except as provided in this section, amended Article 9 and Article 12 apply to a transaction, lien, or other interest in property, even if the transaction, lien, or interest was entered into, created, or acquired before the effective date of this act.

SECTION 99.(b) Continuing Validity. – Except as provided in subsections (c) through (j) of this section, both of the following apply:

- (1) A transaction, lien, or interest in property that was validly entered into, created, or transferred before the effective date of this act and was not governed by Chapter 25 of the General Statutes, but would be subject to amended Article 9 or Article 12 if it had been entered into, created, or transferred on or after the effective date of this act, including the rights, duties, and interests flowing from the transaction, lien, or interest, remains valid on and after the effective date of this act.
- (2) A transaction, lien, or interest described in subdivision (1) of this subsection may be terminated, completed, consummated, and enforced as required or permitted by this act or by the law that would apply if this act had not taken effect.

SECTION 99.(c) Pre-Effective-Date Proceeding. – This act does not affect an action, case, or proceeding commenced before the effective date of this act.

SECTION 99.(d) Security Interest Perfected Before Effective Date. – Both of the following apply to a security interest perfected before the effective date of this act:

- (1) A security interest that is enforceable and perfected immediately before the effective date of this act is a perfected security interest under this act if, on the effective date of this act, the requirements for enforceability and perfection under this act are satisfied without further action.
- (2) If a security interest is enforceable and perfected immediately before the effective date of this act, but the requirements for enforceability or perfection under this act are not satisfied on the effective date of this act, all of the following apply to the security interest:
 - a. The security interest is a perfected security interest until the earlier of the time perfection would have ceased under the law in effect immediately before the effective date of this act or the adjustment date.
 - b. The security interest remains enforceable thereafter only if the security interest satisfies the requirements for enforceability under G.S. 25-9-203, as amended by this act, before the adjustment date.

The security interest remains perfected thereafter only if the c. requirements for perfection under this act are satisfied before the time specified in sub-subdivision a. of this subdivision.

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SECTION 99.(e) Security Interest Unperfected Before Effective Date. – All of the following apply to a security interest that is enforceable immediately before the effective date of this act but is unperfected at that time:

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The security interest remains an enforceable security interest until the (1) adjustment date.

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The security interest remains enforceable thereafter if the security interest (2) becomes enforceable under G.S. 25-9-203, as amended by this act, on the effective date of this act or before the adjustment date.

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The security interest becomes perfected at either of the following times: (3)

13 14 Without further action, on the effective date of this act if the requirements for perfection under this act are satisfied before or at that time.

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When the requirements for perfection are satisfied if the requirements b. are satisfied after the effective date of this act.

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SECTION 99.(f) Pre-Effective-Date Action; Attachment and Perfection Before Adjustment Date. – If action, other than the filing of a financing statement, is taken before the effective date of this act and the action would have resulted in perfection of the security interest had the security interest become enforceable before the effective date of this act, the action is effective to perfect a security interest that attaches under this act before the adjustment date. An attached security interest becomes unperfected on the adjustment date unless the security interest becomes a perfected security interest under this act before the adjustment date.

SECTION 99.(g) Pre-Effective-Date Filing. – The filing of a financing statement before the effective date of this act is effective to perfect a security interest on the effective date of this act to the extent the filing would satisfy the requirements for perfection under this act.

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SECTION 99.(h) Pre-Effective-Date Enforceability Action. - The taking of an action before the effective date of this act is sufficient for the enforceability of a security interest on the effective date of this act if the action would satisfy the requirements for enforceability under this act.

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SECTION 99.(i) Priority. –

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Determination of priority. - Subject to subdivisions (2) and (3) of this (1) subsection, this act determines the priority of conflicting claims to collateral.

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Established priorities. – Subject to subdivision (3) of this subsection, if the (2) priorities of claims to collateral were established before the effective date of this act, Article 9 of Chapter 25 of the General Statutes as in effect before the effective date of this act determines priority.

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Determination of certain priorities on adjustment date. – On the adjustment (3) date, to the extent the priorities determined by amended Article 9 modify the priorities established before the effective date of this act, the priorities of claims to Article 12 property and electronic money established before the effective date of this act cease to apply.

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SECTION 99.(j) Priority of Claims When Priority Rules of Article 9 Do Not Apply.

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(1) Determination of priority. - Subject to subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, Article 12 determines the priority of conflicting claims to Article 12 property when the priority rules of amended Article 9 do not apply.

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Established priorities. – Subject to subdivision (3) of this subsection, when the (2) priority rules of amended Article 9 do not apply and the priorities of claims to

Article 12 property were established before the effective date of this act, law other than Article 12 determines priority.

(3) Determination of certain priorities on adjustment date. – When the priority rules of amended Article 9 do not apply, to the extent the priorities determined by this act modify the priorities established before the effective date of this act, the priorities of claims to Article 12 property established before the effective date of this act cease to apply on the adjustment date.

PART VI. COMMENTS AND EFFECTIVE DATE

SECTION 100. The Revisor of Statutes shall cause to be printed as annotations to the published General Statutes all relevant portions of the Official Comments to the Uniform Commercial Code and all explanatory comments of the drafters of this act as the Revisor deems appropriate.

SECTION 101. This act becomes effective October 1, 2025.