SENATE BILL No. 548

September 25, 2013, Introduced by Senator BOOHER and referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Institutions.

A bill to amend 2000 PA 305, entitled "Uniform electronic transactions act," by amending section 16 (MCL 450.846).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 16. (1) As used in this section, "transferable record"
 means an electronic record that is MEETS both of the following:
- 3 (a) Would be a note under sections 3101 to 3801 ARTICLE 3 of 4 the uniform commercial code, 1962 PA 174, MCL 440.3101 to 440.3801,
- 5 440.3605, or a document under sections 7101 to 7603 ARTICLE 7 of
- 6 the uniform commercial code, 1962 PA 174, MCL 440.7101 to 440.7603,
 - 440.7702, if the electronic record were in writing.
 - (b) The issuer of the electronic record expressly has agreed is a transferable record.
 - (2) A person has control of a transferable record if a system

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- 1 employed for evidencing the transfer of interests in the
- 2 transferable record reliably establishes that person as the person
- 3 to which the transferable record was issued or transferred.
- 4 (3) A system satisfies subsection (2), and a person is
- 5 considered to have control of a transferable record, if the
- 6 transferable record is created, stored, and assigned in a manner
- 7 that all of the following apply:
- 8 (a) A single authoritative copy of the transferable record
- 9 exists that is unique, identifiable, and, except as otherwise
- 10 provided in subdivisions (d), (e), and (f), unalterable.
- 11 (b) The authoritative copy identifies the person asserting
- 12 control as 1 of the following:
- 13 (i) The person to which the transferable record was issued.
- 14 (ii) If the authoritative copy indicates that the transferable
- 15 record has been transferred, the person to which the transferable
- 16 record was most recently transferred.
- 17 (c) The authoritative copy is communicated to and maintained
- 18 by the person asserting control or its designated custodian.
- 19 (d) Copies or revisions that add or change an identified
- 20 assignee of the authoritative copy can be made only with the
- 21 consent of the person asserting control.
- (e) Each copy of the authoritative copy and any copy of a copy
- 23 is readily identifiable as a copy that is not the authoritative
- 24 copy.
- 25 (f) Any revision of the authoritative copy is readily
- 26 identifiable as authorized or unauthorized.
- 27 (4) Except as otherwise agreed, a person having control of a

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- 1 transferable record is the holder, as defined in section 1201 of
- 2 the uniform commercial code, 1962 PA 174, MCL 440.1201, of the
- 3 transferable record and has the same rights and defenses as a
- 4 holder of an equivalent record or writing under section 1201 of the
- 5 uniform commercial code, 1962 PA 174, MCL 440.1201, including, if
- 6 the applicable statutory requirements under section 1201 3302(1),
- 7 7501, OR 9308 of the uniform commercial code, 1962 PA 174, MCL
- 8 440.1201, 440.3302, 440.7501, AND 440.9308, are satisfied, the
- 9 rights and defenses of a holder in due course, a holder to which a
- 10 negotiable document of title has been duly negotiated, or a
- 11 purchaser. Delivery, possession, and indorsement are not required
- 12 to obtain or exercise any of the rights under this subsection.
- 13 (5) Except as otherwise agreed, an obligor under a
- 14 transferable record has the same rights and defenses as an
- 15 equivalent obligor under equivalent records or writings under
- 16 section 1201 of the uniform commercial code. , 1962 PA 174, MCL
- **17** 440.1201.
- 18 (6) If requested by a person against which enforcement is
- 19 sought, the person seeking to enforce the transferable record shall
- 20 provide reasonable proof that the person is in control of the
- 21 transferable record. Proof may include access to the authoritative
- 22 copy of the transferable record and related business records
- 23 sufficient to review the terms of the transferable record and to
- 24 establish the identity of the person having control of the
- 25 transferable record. The department of management and budget shall
- 26 determine for each department whether, and the extent to which, the
- 27 department will create and retain electronic records and convert

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- 1 written records to electronic records.
- 2 (7) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE" MEANS
- 3 THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE, 1962 PA 174, MCL 440.1101 TO 440.9994.
- 4 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 5 unless Senate Bill No. 547
- of the 97th Legislature is enacted into law.

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