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To provide for the regulation of payment stablecoins, and for other purposes.

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Mr. Steil (for himself, Mr. Hill of Arkansas, Mr. Torres of New York, Mr. Emmer, Mr. Huizenga, Mr. Meuser, Mrs. Kim, Mr. Moore of North Carolina, Mr. Downing, Mr. Haridopolos, Mr. Gottheimer, and Mr. Liccardo) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

# A BILL

To provide for the regulation of payment stablecoins, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Stablecoin Trans-
- 5 parency and Accountability for a Better Ledger Economy
- 6 Act of 2025" or the "STABLE Act of 2025".
- 7 SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.
- 8 In this Act:

1	(1) Appropriate federal banking agen-
2	CY.—The term "appropriate Federal banking agen-
3	cy" has the meaning given that term under section
4	3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C.
5	1813).
6	(2) Bank secrecy act.—The term "Bank Se-
7	crecy Act' means—
8	(A) section 21 of the Federal Deposit In-
9	surance Act (12 U.S.C. 1829b);
10	(B) chapter 2 of title I of Public Law 91–
11	508 (12 U.S.C. 1951 et seq.); and
12	(C) subchapter II of chapter 53 of title 31,
13	United States Code.
14	(3) Board.—The term "Board" means the
15	Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.
16	(4) Comptroller.—The term "Comptroller"
17	means the Comptroller of the Currency.
18	(5) Corporation.—The term "Corporation"
19	means the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.
20	(6) Credit union terms.—The terms "Fed-
21	eral credit union", "insured credit union", and
22	"State credit union" have the meanings given those
23	terms, respectively, in section 101 of the Federal
24	Credit Union Act (12 U.S.C. 1752).

- (7) DIGITAL ASSET.—The term "digital asset" means any digital representation of value which is recorded on a cryptographically-secured distributed ledger.
  - (8) DISTRIBUTED LEDGER.—The term "distributed ledger" means technology where data is shared across a network that creates a public digital ledger of verified transactions or information among network participants and the data is linked using cryptography to maintain the integrity of the public digital ledger and execute other functions.
  - (9) Federal qualified nonbank payment stablecoin issuer" means a subsidiary of a nonbank entity approved by the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator, pursuant to section 5, to issue payment stablecoins.
  - (10) Institution-affiliated payment stablecoin issuer, the term "institution-affiliated party" means any director, officer, employee, or person in control of, or agent for, the permitted payment stablecoin issuer.
  - (11) Insured depository institution.—The term "insured depository institution" means—

1	(A) an insured depository institution, as
2	defined in section 3 of the Federal Deposit In-
3	surance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813); and
4	(B) an insured credit union.
5	(12) Monetary value.—The term "monetary
6	value''—
7	(A) means—
8	(i) a national currency;
9	(ii) a deposit (as defined in section 3
10	of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12
11	U.S.C. 1813)) that is denominated in a na-
12	tional currency; or
13	(iii) an account (as defined in section
14	101 of the Federal Credit Union Act (12
15	U.S.C. 1752)); and
16	(B) does not include any agricultural or
17	other physical commodity (as defined in section
18	1a of the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C.
19	1a).
20	(13) National currency.—The term "na-
21	tional currency" means a Federal Reserve note, (as
22	the term is used in the first undesignated paragraph
23	of section 16 of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C.
24	411)), money standing to the credit of an account
25	with a Federal reserve bank, money issued by a cen-

1	tral bank, and money issued by an intergovern-
2	mental organization pursuant to an agreement by
3	one or more governments.
4	(14) Nonbank entity.—The term "nonbank
5	entity" means a person that is not an insured depos-
6	itory institution or subsidiary of an insured deposi-
7	tory institution.
8	(15) Payment Stablecoin.—The term "pay-
9	ment stablecoin' means a digital asset—
10	(A) that is or is designed to be used as a
11	means of payment or settlement;
12	(B) that is denominated in a national cur-
13	rency;
14	(C) the issuer of which—
15	(i) is obligated to convert, redeem, or
16	repurchase for a fixed amount of monetary
17	value; or
18	(ii) represents that the digital asset
19	will maintain or creates the reasonable ex-
20	pectation that the digital asset will main-
21	tain a stable value relative to the value of
22	a fixed amount of monetary value; and
23	(D) that is not—
24	(i) a national currency;
25	(ii) a security issued by—

1	(I) an investment company reg-
2	istered under section 8(a) of the In-
3	vestment Company Act of 1940 (15
4	U.S.C. 80a–8(a)); or
5	(II) a person that would be an
6	investment company under the Invest-
7	ment Company Act of 1940 but for
8	paragraphs (1) and (7) of section 3(e)
9	of that Act (15 U.S.C. 80a-3(c));
10	(iii) a deposit (as defined under sec-
11	tion 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance
12	Act (12 U.S.C. 1813)), regardless of the
13	technology used to record such deposit; or
14	(iv) an account (as defined in section
15	101 of the Federal Credit Union Act (12
16	U.S.C. 1752)), regardless of the technology
17	used to record such account.
18	(16) PERMITTED PAYMENT STABLECOIN
19	ISSUER.—The term "permitted payment stablecoin
20	issuer" means—
21	(A) a subsidiary of an insured depository
22	institution that has been approved to issue pay-
23	ment stablecoins under section 5;
24	(B) a Federal qualified nonbank payment
25	stablecoin issuer; or

1	(C) a State qualified payment stablecoin
2	issuer.
3	(17) Person.—The term "person" means an
4	individual, partnership, company, corporation, asso-
5	ciation (incorporated or unincorporated), trust, es-
6	tate, cooperative organization, or other entity.
7	(18) Primary federal payment stablecoin
8	REGULATOR.—
9	(A) In General.—The term "primary
10	Federal payment stablecoin regulator" means—
11	(i) with respect to an insured deposi-
12	tory institution (other than an insured
13	credit union) or a subsidiary of an insured
14	depository institution (other than an in-
15	sured credit union), the appropriate Fed-
16	eral banking agency of such insured depos-
17	itory institution;
18	(ii) with respect to an insured credit
19	union or a subsidiary of an insured credit
20	union, the National Credit Union Adminis-
21	tration;
22	(iii) with respect to a Federal quali-
23	fied nonbank payment stablecoin issuer
24	and any nonbank entity that seeks to have
25	a subsidiary approved as a Federal quali-

1	fied nonbank payment stablecoin issuer,
2	the Comptroller; and
3	(iv) with respect to any entity char-
4	tered by the Comptroller, the Comptroller.
5	(B) Primary federal payment
6	STABLECOIN REGULATORS.—The term "pri-
7	mary Federal payment stablecoin regulators"
8	means the Comptroller, the Board, the Corpora-
9	tion, and the National Credit Union Adminis-
10	tration.
11	(19) REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING
12	FIRM.—The term "registered public accounting
13	firm" has the meaning given that term under section
14	2 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C.
15	7201).
16	(20) State.—The term "State" means each of
17	the several States, the District of Columbia, and
18	each territory of the United States.
19	(21) State qualified payment stablecoin
20	ISSUER.—The term "State qualified payment
21	stablecoin issuer" means an entity that—
22	(A) is approved to issue payment
23	stablecoins by a State payment stablecoin regu-
24	lator;

1	(B) issues a payment stablecoin in compli-
2	ance with the laws and regulations of a State
3	regulatory regime certified under section 4(b);
4	and
5	(C) is not—
6	(i) chartered by the Comptroller;
7	(ii) a Federal credit union; or
8	(iii) a subsidiary of a State credit
9	union that—
10	(I) has at least a partial owner-
11	ship interest or loan from a Federal
12	credit union; or
13	(II) has at least a partial owner-
14	ship interest or loan from a State
15	credit union that is organized in a dif-
16	ferent State than such subsidiary.
17	(22) State payment stablecoin regu-
18	LATOR.—The term "State payment stablecoin regu-
19	lator'' means—
20	(A) a State agency that has primary regu-
21	latory and supervisory authority in such State
22	over entities that issue payment stablecoins;
23	and
24	(B) with respect to a State qualified pay-
25	ment stablecoin issuer that is a subsidiary of a

State-chartered depository institution (as defined in section 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813)) or a State credit union, the State agency that has primary regulatory and supervisory authority over entities that issue payment stablecoins in the State in which such State-chartered depository institution or State credit union is chartered.

- (23) Subsidiary of an insured credit union, the term "subsidiary of an insured credit union" means—
  - (A) an organization providing services to the insured credit union that are associated with the routine operations of credit unions, as described under section 107(7)(I) of the Federal Credit Union Act (12 U.S.C. 1757(7)(I));
  - (B) a credit union service organization, as such term is used under part 712 of title 12, Code of Federal Regulations, with respect to which the insured credit union has an ownership interest or to which the insured credit union has extended a loan; and
  - (C) any subsidiary of an insured credit union that is a State credit union.

1	SEC. 3. LIMITATION ON WHO MAY ISSUE A PAYMENT
2	STABLECOIN.
3	(a) Limitation on Issuers.—It shall be unlawful
4	for any person other than a permitted payment stablecoin
5	issuer to issue a payment stablecoin in the United States.
6	(b) Limitation on Offering or Selling.—
7	(1) IN GENERAL.—After the end of the 2-year
8	period beginning on the date of enactment of this
9	Act, it shall be unlawful for any custodial inter-
10	mediary to offer or sell a payment stablecoin in the
11	United States unless the payment stablecoin was
12	issued by a permitted payment stablecoin issuer.
13	(2) Exceptions for comparable payment
14	STABLECOIN REGIMES.—
15	(A) In General.—Paragraph (1) and sub-
16	section (a) shall not apply to the offer or sale
17	of a payment stablecoin if—
18	(i) the payment stablecoin was issued
19	by a foreign payment stablecoin issuer;
20	(ii) the foreign payment stablecoin
21	issuer is subject to regulation by a foreign
22	payment stablecoin regulator of a nation
23	with a payment stablecoin regulatory re-
24	gime that the Secretary of the Treasury
25	determines under subparagraph (B) is

1	comparable to the requirements under this
2	Act; and
3	(iii) the foreign payment stablecoin
4	issuer consents to be subject to reporting
5	and examination requirements, as deter-
6	mined by—
7	(I) the Comptroller, if the foreign
8	payment stablecoin issuer is a
9	nonbank; or
10	(II) the Board, if the foreign
11	payment stablecoin issuer is a banking
12	institution or subsidiary thereof.
13	(B) Determination.—With respect to a
14	foreign nation, the Secretary of the Treasury
15	shall determine, upon request of a foreign pay-
16	ment stablecoin issuer, a foreign payment
17	stablecoin regulator, or on the Secretary's own
18	initiative, and in consultation with the Federal
19	payment stablecoin regulators, whether the pay-
20	ment stablecoin regulatory regime of such na-
21	tion is comparable to the requirements under
22	this Act.
23	(C) Public Notice.—The Secretary shall
24	make the list of nations for which a determina-
25	tion has been made under subparagraph (B)

1	available to the public, and keep such list cur-
2	rent.
3	(D) Rescinding determinations.—
4	(i) Secretarial action.—The Sec-
5	retary may, in consultation with the pri-
6	mary Federal payment stablecoin regu-
7	lators, rescind a determination made under
8	subparagraph (B) with respect to a foreign
9	nation, if the Secretary determines that
10	the regulatory regime of such nation is no
11	longer comparable to the requirements
12	under this Act.
13	(ii) Safeharbors.—If the Secretary
14	rescinds a determination pursuant to
15	clause (i), a custodial intermediary shall
16	not be in violation of this subsection by
17	reason of the offer or sale of a payment
18	stablecoin issued by such nation's foreign
19	payment stablecoin issuer until 90 days
20	after the determination is rescinded.
21	(3) Penalty.—Any person who violates this
22	subsection shall be subject to a civil penalty of not
23	more than \$100,000 for each day during which such

violation continues.

1	(c) Rulemaking.—Not later than 12 months after
2	the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall issue
3	such rules as may be required to carry out this section.
4	(d) Rule of Construction.—This section does not
5	apply to transactions in digital assets for an individual's
6	own lawful purposes by means of a software or hardware
7	wallet that facilitates such individual's own custody of dig-
8	ital assets.
9	SEC. 4. REQUIREMENTS FOR ISSUING PAYMENT
10	STABLECOINS.
11	(a) Standards for the Issuance of Payment
12	STABLECOINS.—
13	(1) In general.—Each permitted payment
14	stablecoin issuer shall—
15	(A) maintain reserves backing the issuer's
16	outstanding payment stablecoins on an at least
17	1 to 1 basis, with reserves comprising—
18	(i) United States currency (including
19	Federal reserve notes) or money standing
20	to the credit of an account with a Federal
21	reserve bank;
22	(ii) funds held as demand deposits (or
23	other deposits that may be withdrawn
24	upon request at any time) at insured de-
25	pository institutions (including foreign

1	branches and agencies of insured deposi-
2	tory institutions) or approved foreign de-
3	pository institutions (as defined in para-
4	graph (5)(v)) or share drafts (or other de-
5	posits that may be withdrawn upon request
6	at any time) at insured credit unions, sub-
7	ject to limitations established by the Cor-
8	poration and the National Credit Union
9	Administration, respectively, to address
10	safety and soundness risks of such insured
11	depository institutions;
12	(iii) Treasury bills, notes, or bonds—
13	(I) with a remaining maturity of
14	93 days or less; or
15	(II) issued with a maturity of 93
16	days or less;
17	(iv) repurchase agreements, wherein
18	the permitted payment stablecoin issuer is
19	acting as a seller of securities, or reverse
20	repurchase agreements, wherein the per-
21	mitted payment stablecoin issuer is acting
22	as a purchaser of securities, with an over-
23	night maturity and that are backed by
24	Treasury bills with a maturity of 93 days
25	or less that are—

1	(I) centrally cleared through a
2	clearing agency registered with the
3	Securities and Exchange Commission:
4	or
5	(II) bilateral, settling either
6	through delivery versus payment or
7	through a tri-party control account,
8	with a counterparty that the issuer
9	has determined to be adequately cred-
10	it worthy even in the event of severe
11	market stress; or
12	(v) securities issued by an investment
13	company under section 8(a) of the Invest-
14	ment Company Act of 1940 that operates
15	as a money market fund in compliance
16	with Rule 2a-7 under the Investment
17	Company Act of 1940 (or any successor
18	rule) and that are invested solely in the
19	underlying assets described in clauses (i)
20	through (iv) and (vi);
21	(B) publicly disclose the issuer's redemp-
22	tion policy;
23	(C) establish procedures for timely redemp-
24	tion of the issuer's outstanding payment
25	stablecoins; and

1	(D) publish a report on the monthly com-
2	position of the issuer's reserves on the website
3	of the issuer, containing—
4	(i) the total number of outstanding
5	payment stablecoins issued by the issuer;
6	and
7	(ii) the amount and composition of
8	the reserves described under subparagraph
9	(A).
10	(2) Eligibility.—The requirements to main-
11	tain reserves under paragraph (1)(A) may not be
12	construed as expanding or contracting eligibility to
13	qualify as a depository institution under section
14	19(b)(1)(A) of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C.
15	461(b)(1)(A)).
16	(3) Prohibition on Rehypothecation.—Re-
17	serves described under paragraph (1)(A) may not be
18	pledged, rehypothecated, or reused, except for the
19	purpose of satisfying obligations associated with re-
20	serves described under paragraph (1)(A)(iv) if the
21	permitted payment stablecoin issuer receives the
22	prior approval of the primary Federal payment
23	stablecoin regulator or the State payment stablecoin

regulator.

1	(4) Monthly Certification; Examination
2	OF REPORTS BY REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING
3	FIRM.—
4	(A) In general.—A permitted payment
5	stablecoin issuer shall, each month, have the in-
6	formation disclosed in the previous month-end
7	report required under paragraph (1)(D) exam-
8	ined by an independent registered public ac-
9	counting firm.
10	(B) CERTIFICATION.—Each month, the
11	Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Of-
12	ficer of a permitted payment stablecoin issuer
13	shall submit to, as applicable, the primary Fed-
14	eral payment stablecoin regulator or, in the
15	case of a State qualified payment stablecoin
16	issuer, the State payment stablecoin regulator,
17	a certification that, based on such officers'
18	knowledge, the previous month-end report re-
19	quired under paragraph (1)(D)—
20	(i) does not contain any untrue state-
21	ment of material fact or omit to state a
22	material fact necessary in order to make
23	the statements made, in light of the cir-
24	cumstances under which such statements
25	were made, not misleading; and

1	(ii) fairly presented in all material re-
2	spects the information required under
3	paragraph (1)(D) for the period presented
4	in such report.
5	(C) CRIMINAL PENALTIES.—Whoever—
6	(i) submits a certification set forth in
7	subparagraph (B) knowing that the report
8	to which the certification relates does not
9	fairly present, in all material respects, the
10	information required to be contained in
11	such report shall be fined not more than
12	\$1,000,000 or imprisoned not more than
13	10 years, or both; or
14	(ii) willfully submits a certification set
15	forth in subparagraph (B) knowing that
16	the report to which the certification relates
17	does not fairly present, in all material re-
18	spects, the information required to be con-
19	tained in such report shall be fined not
20	more than \$5,000,000, or imprisoned not
21	more than 20 years, or both.
22	(5) Capital, Liquidity, Risk management,
23	AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—
24	(A) In General.—The primary Federal
25	payment stablecoin regulators shall, jointly and

1	in consultation with the State payment
2	stablecoin regulators, issue rules to establish—
3	(i) capital requirements applicable to
4	a permitted payment stablecoin issuer
5	that—
6	(I) are tailored to the business
7	model and risk profile of a permitted
8	payment stablecoin issuer;
9	(II) do not exceed requirements
10	which are sufficient to ensure the on-
11	going operations of a permitted pay-
12	ment stablecoin issuer; and
13	(III) if such regulators determine
14	that a capital buffer is necessary to
15	ensure the ongoing operations of a
16	permitted payment stablecoin issuer,
17	may include capital buffers that are
18	tailored to the business model and
19	risk profile of a permitted payment
20	stablecoin issuer;
21	(ii) requirements implementing liquid-
22	ity standards applicable to reserves de-
23	scribed in paragraph (1) for a permitted
24	payment stablecoin issuer, which may not
25	exceed an amount that is sufficient to en-

1	sure the financial integrity of a permitted
2	payment stablecoin issuer and the ability
3	of the issuer to meet the financial obliga-
4	tions of the issuer, including redemptions;
5	(iii) reserve asset diversification and
6	interest rate risk management standards
7	applicable to a permitted payment
8	stablecoin issuer that—
9	(I) are tailored to the business
10	model and risk profile of a permitted
11	payment stablecoin issuer; and
12	(II) do not exceed standards
13	which are sufficient to ensure the on-
14	going operations of a permitted pay-
15	ment stablecoin issuer; and
16	(iv) appropriate operational, compli-
17	ance, information technology, and cyberse-
18	curity risk management standards that are
19	tailored to the business model and risk
20	profile of a permitted payment stablecoin
21	issuer; and
22	(v) requirements regarding the ap-
23	proval of foreign depository institutions
24	that may hold demand deposits of a per-
25	mitted payment stablecoin issuer.

1	(B) Rule of Construction.—Nothing in
2	this paragraph may be construed to limit—
3	(i) the authority of the primary Fed-
4	eral payment stablecoin regulators, in pre-
5	scribing standards under this paragraph,
6	to tailor or differentiate among permitted
7	payment stablecoin issuers on an individ-
8	ualized basis or by category, taking into
9	consideration the capital structure, busi-
10	ness model risk profile, complexity, finan-
11	cial activities, size, and any other risk re-
12	lated factors of permitted payment
13	stablecoin issuers that the primary Federal
14	payment stablecoin regulators determine
15	appropriate; or
16	(ii) the supervisory, regulatory, or en-
17	forcement authority of a Federal banking
18	agency (as defined in section 3 of the Fed-
19	eral Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C.
20	1813)) or the National Credit Union Ad-
21	ministration to further the ability of an in-
22	stitution under the supervision of the Fed-
23	eral banking agency or the National Credit

Union Administration to maintain safe and

sound operations or comply with this Act.

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1	(C) Applicability of existing capital
2	STANDARDS.—
3	(i) Applicability of the financial
4	STABILITY ACT OF 2010.—Section 171 of
5	the Financial Stability Act of 2010 (12
6	U.S.C. 5371) shall not apply to require-
7	ments issued under this paragraph.
8	(ii) Rules relating to leverage
9	CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS OR RISK-BASED
10	CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS.—Where an in-
11	sured depository institution or depository
12	institution holding company, as defined
13	under section 171(a)(3) of the Financial
14	Stability Act of 2010 (12 U.S.C.
15	5371(a)(3)), includes, on a consolidated
16	basis, a permitted payment stablecoin
17	issuer, any rule issued by an appropriate
18	Federal banking agency that imposes, on a
19	consolidated basis, a leverage capital re-
20	quirement or risk-based capital require-
21	ment on such insured depository institu-
22	tion or depository institution holding com-
23	pany, shall not require such insured depos-
24	itory institution or depository institution
25	holding company to hold, with respect to

1	the permitted payment stablecoin issuer
2	and its assets and operations, any amount
3	of regulatory capital in excess of the cap-
4	ital that such permitted payment
5	stablecoin issuer must maintain under the
6	capital requirements promulgated pursuant
7	to paragraph (5)(A)(i).
8	(iii) Rulemaking.—Not later than
9	the date the primary Federal payment
10	stablecoin regulators issue regulations to
11	carry out this section, each Federal bank-
12	ing agency, as defined in section 3 of the
13	Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C.
14	1813), shall amend or otherwise modify
15	any regulation described in clause (ii) so
16	that it complies with such clause (ii).
17	(6) Treatment under the bank secrecy
18	ACT.—A permitted payment stablecoin issuer shall
19	be treated as a financial institution for purposes of
20	the Bank Secrecy Act.
21	(7) Limitation on payment stablecoin ac-
22	TIVITIES.—A permitted payment stablecoin issuer
23	may only—
24	(A) issue payment stablecoins;
25	(B) redeem payment stablecoins:

1	(C) manage related reserves (including
2	purchasing, selling, and holding reserve assets);
3	(D) provide custodial or safekeeping serv-
4	ices for payment stablecoins and private keys of
5	payment stablecoins;
6	(E) provide custodial or safekeeping serv-
7	ices for reserves, consistent with this Act;
8	(F) undertake other functions that directly
9	support activities described in subparagraphs
10	(A) through (E); and
11	(G) undertake such non-payment
12	stablecoin activities that are allowed by the pri-
13	mary Federal payment stablecoin regulator.
14	(8) Prohibition on Yield.—A permitted pay-
15	ment stablecoin issuer may not pay interest or yield
16	to holders of its payment stablecoins.
17	(9) REGULATION OF FEDERAL QUALIFIED
18	NONBANK PAYMENT STABLECOIN ISSUERS BY THE
19	COMPTROLLER.—A Federal qualified nonbank pay-
20	ment stablecoin issuer shall be regulated and super-
21	vised exclusively by the Comptroller.
22	(b) State-Level Regulatory Regimes.—
23	(1) In general.—A State qualified payment
24	stablecoin issuer may only issue payment stablecoins
25	pursuant to the regulation of a State payment

stablecoin regulator of a State with a regulatory regime for issuing payment stablecoins that is certified under this subsection as meeting or exceeding the standards and requirements described in subsection (a).

### (2) Certification.—

- (A) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date that is 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act or 60 days after the rulemaking described in subsection (d) is completed, whichever is earlier, a State payment stablecoin regulator may submit to the Secretary of the Treasury a certification that the regulatory regime of the State for issuing payment stablecoins meets or exceeds the standards and requirements described in subsection (a).
- (B) Validity of Certification.—A certification under subparagraph (A) shall be valid upon submission and remain valid unless the Secretary of the Treasury rejects the certification under paragraph (6).
- (3) FORM OF CERTIFICATION.—A certification described under paragraph (2)—
- (A) shall contain an attestation that the regulatory regime of the State for issuing pay-

ment stablecoins meets or exceeds the standards and requirements described in subsection (a); and

(B) may include supporting information, such as a copy of any State law or regulation implementing such standards and requirements.

### (4) Report and attestation.—

- (A) IN GENERAL.—A State payment stablecoin regulator with a valid certification under this subsection that has made subsequent material changes to its State regulatory regime and wishes to maintain a valid certification shall submit to the Secretary of the Treasury an explanation of all such material changes.
- (B) FORM OF MATERIAL CHANGES EXPLANATION.—With respect to a State payment stablecoin regulator that submits an explanation of material changes to the State regulatory regime under subparagraph (A), the payment stablecoin regulator shall make such explanation in the same manner, and containing the same attestation, as described under paragraph (3) for a certification.
- (5) Advisory opinions on proposed laws or regulations.—Upon request of any State pay-

1	ment stablecoin regulator, the Secretary of the
2	Treasury shall—
3	(A) review any proposed law or regulation
4	of the State provided by the State payment
5	stablecoin regulator; and
6	(B) not later than 30 days after being pro-
7	vided the proposed law or regulation, either—
8	(i) inform the State payment
9	stablecoin regulator that the proposed law
10	or regulation is consistent with a State
11	regulatory regime for issuing payment
12	stablecoins that meets or exceeds the
13	standards and requirements described in
14	subsection (a); or
15	(ii) provide the State payment
16	stablecoin regulator with a detailed expla-
17	nation of why the proposed law or regula-
18	tion is not consistent with a State regu-
19	latory regime for issuing payment
20	stablecoins that meets or exceeds the
21	standards and requirements described in
22	subsection (a).
23	(6) Regimes that are not substantially
24	SIMILAR.—

1	(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the
2	Treasury may reject a certification under para-
3	graph (3) or a certification with respect to
4	which a State payment stablecoin regulator has
5	submitted an explanation of material changes
6	under paragraph (4), if the Secretary, not later
7	than 30 days after the date on which the initial
8	certification or explanation of material changes
9	is submitted—
10	(i) determines that the State regu-
11	latory regime does not meet or exceed the
12	standards and requirements described in
13	subsection (a); and
14	(ii) provides the State payment
15	stablecoin regulator with a written expla-
16	nation for the rejection, describing the rea-
17	soned basis for the rejection with sufficient
18	detail such that the State can bring the
19	State regulatory regime into compliance
20	based on the explanation.
21	(B) Opportunity to cure.—
22	(i) In general.—With respect to a
23	rejection described under subparagraph
24	(A), the Secretary of the Treasury shall

provide the State payment stablecoin regu-

1	lator with not less than a 180-day period
2	from the date on which the State payment
3	stablecoin regulator is notified of such re-
4	jection to—
5	(I) make such changes as may be
6	necessary to ensure the regulatory re-
7	gime of the State for issuing payment
8	stablecoins meets or exceeds the
9	standards and requirements described
10	in subsection (a); and
11	(II) resubmit the certification or
12	explanation of material changes.
13	(ii) Rejection.—If, after a State
14	payment stablecoin regulator makes
15	changes described under clause (i) during
16	the period described in clause (i), the Sec-
17	retary of the Treasury determines that the
18	certification should be rejected, the Sec-
19	retary of the Treasury shall, not later than
20	30 days after such determination, provide
21	the State payment stablecoin regulator
22	with a written explanation for the deter-
23	mination, describing the reasoned basis for
24	the determination with sufficient detail

such that the State can bring its regime 1 2 into compliance based on the explanation. 3 (C) APPEAL OF REJECTION.— (i) In General.—A State payment stablecoin regulator that has had a certifi-6 cation rejected under this paragraph may, 7 after the cure period described under sub-8 paragraph (B)(i), appeal such rejection to 9 the United States Court of Appeals for the 10 District of Columbia Circuit, which shall, 11 upon a determination that the regulatory 12 regime of the State for issuing payment 13 stablecoins meets or exceeds the standards 14 and requirements described in subsection 15 (a), reverse such rejection. 16 (ii)REVIEW BYTHE SUPREME 17 COURT.—The judgment and decree of the 18 Court of Appeals shall be final, except that 19 the same shall be subject to review by the 20 Supreme Court upon certiorari, as pro-21 vided in section 1254 of title 28. 22 (D) RIGHT TO RESUBMIT.—A State pay-23 ment stablecoin regulator that has had a certifi-24 cation rejected under this paragraph may re-

submit a new certification under paragraph (2).

- (7) APPROPRIATE EXEMPTIVE RELIEF.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall issue such rules and orders as are necessary to provide appropriate exemptive relief and safe harbors for State qualified payment stablecoin issuers to continue operations during such periods in which any rules promulgated pursuant to subsection (a) materially affect a pre-viously certified State regulatory regime's ability to meet or exceed the standards and requirements de-scribed in subsection (a).
- (c) Not Insured by the Federal Government;Misrepresentation of Insured Status.—
  - (1) IN GENERAL.—Payment stablecoins are not backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, guaranteed by the United States Government, subject to deposit insurance by the Corporation, or subject to share insurance by the National Credit Union Administration.
    - (2) MISREPRESENTATION OF INSURED STATUS.—It shall be unlawful to represent that a payment stablecoin is backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, guaranteed by the United States Government, or subject to Federal deposit insurance or Federal share insurance.

1	(3) DISCLOSURE.—Permitted payment
2	stablecoin issuers shall clearly and prominently dis-
3	close on their website that payment stablecoins
4	issued by such permitted payment stablecoin issuer
5	are not guaranteed by the United States Govern-
6	ment, covered by deposit insurance by the Federal
7	Deposit Insurance Corporation, or by share insur-
8	ance of the National Credit Union Administration.
9	(4) Penalties.—Any person who violates this
10	subsection may be prosecuted to the fullest extent of
11	the law, including, as applicable, under—
12	(A) section 18(a)(4) of the Federal Deposit
13	Insurance Act (relating to the prohibition on
14	false advertising in connection with deposit in-
15	surance, the misuse of FDIC names, and mis-
16	representations of insured status);
17	(B) section 709 of title 18, United States
18	Code (relating to false advertising or misuse of
19	names to indicate a Federal agency);
20	(C) criminal penalties under title 18,
21	United States Code, related to fraud; and
22	(D) other remedies available under the law.
23	(d) Officers and Directors Convicted of Cer-
24	TAIN FELONIES.—No individual who has been convicted
25	of a felony offense involving insider trading, embezzle-

1	ment, cybercrime, money laundering, financing of ter-
2	rorism, or financial fraud may serve as—
3	(1) an officer of a payment stablecoin issuer; or
4	(2) a director of a payment stablecoin issuer.
5	(e) Rulemaking.—
6	(1) In general.—The primary Federal pay-
7	ment stablecoin regulators may issue such orders
8	and regulations as may be necessary to administer
9	and carry out the requirements of this section, in-
10	cluding to establish conditions, and to prevent eva-
11	sions thereof.
12	(2) Joint issuance of regulation.—All reg-
13	ulations issued to carry out this section by the pri-
14	mary Federal payment stablecoin regulators shall be
15	issued jointly, after consultation with State payment
16	stablecoin regulators.
17	(3) Rulemaking deadline.—Not later than
18	the end of the 180-day period beginning on the date
19	of enactment of this Act, the Federal payment
20	stablecoin regulators shall issue regulations to carry
21	out this section.
22	SEC. 5. APPROVAL OF SUBSIDIARIES OF INSURED DEPOSI-
23	TORY INSTITUTIONS AND SUBSIDIARIES OF
24	NONBANK ENTITIES.
25	(a) In General.—

### 1 (1) Application.— 2 (A) IN GENERAL.—The primary Federal 3 payment stablecoin regulator shall receive, re-4 view, and consider for approval applications from any insured depository institution that 6 seeks to issue payment stablecoins through a 7 subsidiary and any nonbank entity that seeks to 8 issue payment stablecoins through a subsidiary. 9 (B) Sharing of information.—With re-10 spect to applications submitted by State-char-11 tered insured depository institutions, the pri-12 mary Federal payment stablecoin regulator 13 shall share such applications with the relevant 14 State bank or State credit union supervisor. 15 (C) COMPLETION OF APPLICATION.— 16 (i) IN GENERAL.—The primary Fed-17 eral payment stablecoin regulator shall 18 consider an application complete if such 19 application contains sufficient information 20 for the Federal primary payment 21 stablecoin regulator to render a decision on 22 whether the application meets the requirements set forth in section 4. 23 24 (ii)Material **CHANGE** IN CIR-25 CUMSTANCES.—An application described

1	under clause (i) that is considered com-
2	plete shall remain complete unless the pri-
3	mary Federal payment stablecoin regulator
4	determines that a material change in cir-
5	cumstances requires otherwise.
6	(2) Evaluation of applications.—A com-
7	plete application received under paragraph (1) shall
8	be evaluated by the primary Federal payment
9	stablecoin regulator based on the ability of the sub-
10	sidiary of the applicant to meet the requirements set
11	forth in section 4.
12	(3) Timing for decision; grounds for de-
13	NIAL.—
14	(A) TIMING.—The primary Federal pay-
15	ment stablecoin regulator shall—
16	(i) not later than 30 days after receiv-
17	ing the application—
18	(I) inform the applicant whether
19	the applicant has submitted a com-
20	plete application; and
21	(II) if the application is not com-
22	plete, inform the applicant of the ad-
23	ditional information the applicant
24	must provide in order for the applica-
25	tion to be considered complete; and

1	(ii) not later than 120 days after in-
2	forming the applicant that the application
3	is complete, render a decision on an appli-
4	cation.
5	(B) Denial of Application.—
6	(i) Grounds for Denial.—
7	(I) In general.—The primary
8	Federal payment stablecoin regulator
9	may only deny a complete application
10	received under paragraph (1) if the
11	regulator determines that the activi-
12	ties of the applicant would be unsafe
13	or unsound based on the ability of the
14	subsidiary of the applicant to meet
15	the requirements set forth in section
16	4.
17	(II) TREATMENT OF CERTAIN
18	ISSUANCES.—The issuance of a pay-
19	ment stablecoin on an open, public,
20	and decentralized network shall not be
21	a valid ground for denial of an appli-
22	cation received under paragraph (1).
23	(ii) Explanation required.—If the
24	primary Federal payment stablecoin regu-
25	lator denies a complete application received

1	under paragraph (1), the regulator shall,
2	not later than 30 days after the date of
3	such denial, provide the applicant with—
4	(I) written notice explaining the
5	denial with specificity, including all
6	findings made by the regulator with
7	respect to all identified material short-
8	comings in the application; and
9	(II) actionable recommendations
10	on how the applicant could address
11	the identified material shortcomings.
12	(iii) Opportunity for hearing;
13	FINAL DETERMINATION.—
14	(I) In general.—Not later than
15	30 days after the date of receipt of
16	any notice of the denial of an applica-
17	tion under this subsection, the appli-
18	cant may request, in writing, an op-
19	portunity for a written or oral hearing
20	before the primary Federal payment
21	stablecoin regulator to appeal the de-
22	nial.
23	(II) Timing.—Upon receipt of a
24	timely request, the primary Federal
25	payment stablecoin regulator shall no-

1 tice a time (not later than 30 days 2 after the date of receipt of the re-3 quest) and place at which the appli-4 cant may appear, personally through counsel, to appeal the denial, 6 to submit written materials, or to pro-7 vide oral testimony and oral argu-8 ment. 9 (III) FINAL DETERMINATION.— 10 Not later than 60 days after the date 11 of a hearing under this clause, the 12 primary Federal payment stablecoin 13 regulator shall notify the applicant of 14 the final determination of the primary 15 Federal payment stablecoin regulator 16 with respect to the appeal, which shall 17 contain a statement of the basis for 18 such determination, with specific find-19 ings. 20 (IV) NOTICE IF NO HEARING.—If 21 an applicant does not make a timely 22 request for a hearing under this 23 clause, the primary Federal payment

stablecoin regulator shall notify the

applicant, not later than 10 days after

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1	the date by which the applicant may
2	request a hearing under this clause, in
3	writing, that the denial of the applica-
4	tion is a final determination of the
5	primary Federal payment stablecoin
6	regulator.
7	(C) Failure to render a decision.—If
8	the primary Federal payment stablecoin regu-
9	lator fails to render a decision on a complete
10	application within the time period specified in
11	subparagraph (A), the application shall be
12	deemed approved.
13	(D) RIGHT TO REAPPLY.—The denial of
14	an application under this subsection shall not
15	prohibit the applicant from filing a subsequent
16	application.
17	(4) Report on pending applications.—
18	Each of the primary Federal payment stablecoin
19	regulators shall annually report to Congress on—
20	(A) the number of calendar days each ap-
21	plicant waited for either an approval or denial
22	of an application under this subsection;
23	(B) the number of calendar days each ap-
24	plicant with an outstanding application has
25	waited for a decision: and

(C) the number of applications that have been pending for 6 months or longer since the date of the initial application filed under paragraph (1) where the applicant has been informed that the application remains incomplete, including providing documentation on the status of the application and why the application has not yet been approved.

## (5) Rulemaking.—

- (A) In GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulators shall, jointly, issue rules to carry out this section, which may only relate to the application process under this subsection and may not implement the requirements set forth in section 4.
- (B) Tailoring of Rules.—The joint rulemaking required under subparagraph (A) shall be tailored so as to minimize any incremental burden placed on well capitalized and highly-rated insured depository institutions.

# (b) Effective Date.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—This section shall take effect on the earlier of—

1	(A) 12 months after the date of enactment
2	of this Act; or
3	(B) the date that is 120 days after the
4	date on which the primary Federal payment
5	stablecoin regulators issue final regulations im-
6	plementing this section.
7	(2) Notice to congress.—Each of the pri-
8	mary Federal payment stablecoin regulators shall
9	notify Congress upon receiving their first applica-
10	tion.
11	(c) Effect on State Law for Payment
12	STABLECOIN ISSUERS APPROVED BY FEDERAL PAYMENT
13	STABLECOIN REGULATORS UNDER THIS SECTION.—The
14	provisions of this section preempt any conflicting State
15	law and supersede any State licensing requirement for any
16	nonbank entity or subsidiary of an insured depository in-
17	stitution or credit union that is approved under this sec-
18	tion to be a permitted payment stablecoin issuer.
19	SEC. 6. SUPERVISION AND ENFORCEMENT WITH RESPECT
20	TO SUBSIDIARIES OF INSURED DEPOSITORY
21	INSTITUTIONS AND FEDERAL QUALIFIED
22	NONBANK PAYMENT STABLECOIN ISSUERS.
23	(a) Supervision.—
24	(1) Subsidiary of an insured depository
25	INSTITUTION —

1	(A) In general.—Each permitted pay-
2	ment stablecoin issuer that is a subsidiary of an
3	insured depository institution shall be subject to
4	supervision by the primary Federal payment
5	stablecoin regulator in the same manner as
6	such insured depository institution.
7	(B) Gramm-Leach-Bliley act.—For
8	purposes of title V of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley
9	Act (15 U.S.C. 6801 et seq.) each permitted
10	payment stablecoin issuer that is a subsidiary
11	of an insured depository institution shall be
12	deemed a financial institution.
13	(2) Federal Qualified Nonbank Payment
14	STABLECOIN ISSUER.—
15	(A) Submission of Reports.—Each Fed-
16	eral qualified nonbank payment stablecoin
17	issuer shall, upon request, submit reports to the
18	Comptroller as to—
19	(i) the financial condition of the Fed-
20	eral qualified nonbank payment stablecoin
21	issuer;
22	(ii) the systems of the Federal quali-
23	fied nonbank payment stablecoin issuer for
24	monitoring and controlling financial and
25	operating risks; and

1	(iii) compliance with this Act and reg-
2	ulations issued pursuant to this Act by the
3	Federal qualified nonbank payment
4	stablecoin issuer.
5	(B) Examinations.—The Comptroller
6	may examine a Federal qualified nonbank pay-
7	ment stablecoin issuer in order to inform the
8	Comptroller of—
9	(i) the nature of the operations and fi-
10	nancial condition of the Federal qualified
11	nonbank payment stablecoin issuer;
12	(ii) the financial, operational, and
13	other risks within the Federal qualified
14	nonbank payment stablecoin issuer that
15	may pose a threat to—
16	(I) the safety and soundness of
17	the Federal qualified nonbank pay-
18	ment stablecoin issuer; or
19	(II) the stability of the financial
20	system of the United States;
21	(iii) the systems of the Federal quali-
22	fied nonbank payment stablecoin issuer for
23	monitoring and controlling the risks de-
24	scribed in clause (ii);

1	(iv) the compliance of the Federal
2	qualified nonbank payment stablecoin
3	issuer with this Act and regulations issued
4	pursuant to this Act; and
5	(v) the compliance of the Federal
6	qualified nonbank payment stablecoin
7	issuer with the requirements of the Bank
8	Secrecy Act and laws authorizing the im-
9	position of sanctions and implemented by
10	the Secretary of the Treasury.
11	(C) Requirements for efficiency.—In
12	supervising and examining a Federal qualified
13	nonbank payment stablecoin issuer, the Comp-
14	troller shall, to the fullest extent possible, use
15	existing reports and other supervisory informa-
16	tion.
17	(D) AVOIDANCE OF DUPLICATION.—The
18	Comptroller shall, to the fullest extent possible,
19	avoid duplication of examination activities, re-
20	porting requirements, and requests for informa-
21	tion in carrying out this Act with respect to a
22	Federal qualified nonbank payment stablecoin
23	issuer.
24	(E) Gramm-Leach-Bliley act.—For
25	purposes of title V of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley

1 Act (15 U.S.C. 6801 et seq.) each Federal 2 qualified nonbank payment stablecoin issuer 3 shall be deemed a financial institution.

#### (b) Enforcement.—

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- (1) Suspension or revocation of registration.—The primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator may prohibit a permitted payment stablecoin issuer from issuing payment stablecoins, if the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator determines that such permitted payment stablecoin issuer, or an institution-affiliated party of the permitted payment stablecoin issuer, is—
  - (A) materially violating or has materially violated this Act or any regulation or order issued under this Act, including the issuer's obligations under the section 4(a)(6); or
  - (B) materially violating or has materially violated any condition imposed in writing by the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator in connection with a written agreement entered into between the permitted payment stablecoin issuer and the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator.
- (2) CEASE-AND-DESIST PROCEEDINGS.—If the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator has

reasonable cause to believe that a permitted payment stablecoin issuer or any institution-affiliated party of a permitted payment stablecoin issuer is violating, has violated, or is attempting to violate this Act, any regulation or order issued under this Act, or any written agreement entered into with the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator or condition imposed in writing by the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator in connection with any application or other request, the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator may order the permitted payment stablecoin issuer or institution-affiliated party of the permitted payment stablecoin issuer to—

- (A) cease and desist from such violation or practice; or
- (B) take affirmative action to correct the conditions resulting from any such violation or practice.
- (3) Removal and prohibition authority.—
  The primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator may remove an institution-affiliated party of a permitted payment stablecoin issuer from their position or office or prohibit further participation in the affairs of the permitted payment stablecoin issuer or all permitted payment stablecoin issuers by such in-

1	stitution-affiliated party, if the primary Federal pay-
2	ment stablecoin regulator determines that—
3	(A) the institution-affiliated party has, di-
4	rectly or indirectly, committed a violation or at-
5	tempted violation of this Act or any regulation
6	or order issued under this Act; or
7	(B) the institution-affiliated party has
8	committed a violation of any provision of sub-
9	chapter II of chapter 53 of title 31, United
10	States Code.
11	(4) Procedures.—
12	(A) In general.—If the primary Federal
13	payment stablecoin regulator identifies a viola-
14	tion or attempted violation of this Act or makes
15	a determination under paragraph (1), (2), or
16	(3), the primary Federal payment stablecoin
17	regulator shall comply with the procedures set
18	forth, as applicable, in—
19	(i) subsections (b) and (e) of sections
20	8 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act
21	(12 U.S.C. 1818); or
22	(ii) subsections (e) and (g) of section
23	206 of the Federal Credit Union Act (12
24	U.S.C. 1786).

1	(B) Judicial review.—A person ag-
2	grieved by a final action under this subsection
3	may obtain judicial review of such action exclu-
4	sively as provided, as applicable, in—
5	(i) section 8(h) of the Federal Deposit
6	Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1818(h)); or
7	(ii) section 206(j) of the Federal
8	Credit Union Act (12 U.S.C. 1786(j)).
9	(C) Injunction.—The primary Federal
10	payment stablecoin regulator may, in the dis-
11	cretion of the regulator, follow the procedures
12	for judicial enforcement of any effective and
13	outstanding notice or order issued under this
14	subsection provided, as applicable, in—
15	(i) section 8(i)(1) of the Federal De-
16	posit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C.
17	1818(i)(1)); or
18	(ii) section 206(k)(1) of the Federal
19	Credit Union Act (12 U.S.C. 1786(k)(1)).
20	(D) Temporary cease-and-desist pro-
21	CEEDINGS.—If the primary Federal payment
22	stablecoin regulator determines that a violation
23	or attempted violation of this Act or an action
24	with respect to which a determination was made
25	under paragraph (1), (2), or (3), or the con-

tinuation thereof, is likely to cause insolvency or significant dissipation of assets or earnings of a permitted payment stablecoin issuer, or is likely to weaken the condition of the permitted payment stablecoin issuer or otherwise prejudice the interests of the customers of the permitted payment stablecoin issuer prior to the completion of the proceedings conducted under this paragraph, the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator may follow the procedures provided, as applicable, in—

- (i) section 8(c) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1818(c)) to issue a temporary cease-and-desist order; or
- (ii) section 206(f) of the Federal Credit Union Act (12 U.S.C. 1786(f)) to issue a temporary cease-and-desist order.

### (5) CIVIL MONEY PENALTIES.—

(A) Failure to be approved.—Any person who issues a payment stablecoin and who is not a permitted payment stablecoin issuer, and any institution-affiliated party of such a person who knowingly participates in issuing such a payment stablecoin, shall be liable for a civil penalty of not more than \$100,000 for each day

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during which such payment stablecoins are outstanding.

- (B) First tier.—Except as provided in subparagraph (A),permitted payment a stablecoin issuer or institution-affiliated party of such permitted payment stablecoin issuer that materially violates this Act or any regulation or order issued under this Act, or that materially violates any condition imposed in writing by the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator in connection with a written agreement entered into between the permitted payment stablecoin issuer and the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator, shall be liable for a civil penalty of up to \$100,000 for each day during which the violation continues.
- (C) SECOND TIER.—Except as provided in subparagraph (A), and in addition to the penalties described under subparagraph (B), a permitted payment stablecoin issuer or institution-affiliated party of such permitted payment stablecoin issuer who knowingly participates in a violation of any provision of this Act, or any regulation or order issued thereunder, is liable for a civil penalty of up to an additional

1 \$100,000 for each day during which the viola-2 tion continues.

- (D) PROCEDURE.—Any penalty imposed under this paragraph may be assessed and collected by the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator pursuant to the procedures set forth, as applicable, in—
  - (i) section 8(i)(2) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1818(i)(2)); or
  - (ii) section 206(k)(2) of the FederalCredit Union Act (12 U.S.C. 1786(k)(2)).
- (E) Notice and orders after separation from service.—The resignation, termination of employment or participation, or separation of an institution-affiliated party (including a separation caused by the closing of a permitted payment stablecoin issuer) shall not affect the jurisdiction and authority of the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator to issue any notice or order and proceed under this subsection against any such party, if such notice or order is served before the end of the 6-year period beginning on the date such party ceased to be an institution-affiliated party with

- respect to such permitted payment stablecoin issuer.
- 3 (6) Non-applicability to a state quali-4 FIED PAYMENT STABLECOIN ISSUER.—This sub-5 section shall not apply to a State qualified payment 6 stablecoin issuer, except as described in section 7(e).
- stablecoin issuer, except as described in section 7(e).

  (c) Sharing of Information.—A State payment stablecoin regulator and the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator shall share information on an ongoing basis with respect to a permitted payment stablecoin issuer that is a subsidiary of a State-chartered insured depository institution.

## 13 SEC. 7. STATE QUALIFIED PAYMENT STABLECOIN ISSUERS.

- 14 (a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to a State, a State 15 payment stablecoin regulator shall have supervisory, ex-16 amination, and enforcement authority over a State quali-17 fied payment stablecoin issuer of such State.
- 18 (b) Authority To Enter Into Agreements.—
- 19 (1) IN GENERAL.—A State payment stablecoin 20 regulator may enter into a memorandum of under-21 standing with the primary Federal banking agency 22 and Comptroller setting out the manner in which the 23 primary Federal banking agency and Comptroller 24 may participate in the supervision, examination, and

- enforcement authority with respect to the State qualified payment stablecoin issuers of such State.
- 3 (2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this 4 subsection or a memorandum entered into under this 5 subsection may be construed to limit the authority 6 of the primary Federal banking agency or Comp-7 troller under subsection (e) or any other provision of 8 law.

#### (c) Sharing of Information.—

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- (1) IN GENERAL.—A State payment stablecoin regulator and, as applicable, the Comptroller, the Board, the Corporation, or the National Credit Union Administration shall share information on an ongoing basis with respect to each State qualified payment stablecoin issuer of such State, including a copy of all initial applications and any accompanying documents.
- (2) Privileges not affected by sharing of information under paragraph (1) shall not be construed as waiving, destroying, or otherwise affecting any privilege applicable to such information under Federal or State law as to any person or entity other than the State payment stablecoin regulator, the Comptroller,

1	the Board, the Corporation, and the National Credit
2	Union Administration.
3	(d) Rulemaking.—A State payment stablecoin regu-
4	lator may, to the same extent as the primary Federal pay-
5	ment stablecoin regulators issue orders and rules under
6	section 4 applicable to a permitted payment stablecoin
7	issuer that is not a State qualified payment stablecoin
8	issuer, issue orders and rules related to the requirements
9	under section 4 applicable to State qualified payment
10	stablecoin issuers.
11	(e) Back-Up Enforcement Authority.—
12	(1) By the primary federal banking agen-
13	CY.—
14	(A) In general.—Subject to subpara-
15	graph (C), the primary Federal banking agency
16	may, after not less than 48 hours prior written
17	notice to any applicable State payment
18	stablecoin regulator, take an enforcement action
19	against a State qualified payment stablecoin
20	issuer that is a subsidiary of an insured deposi-
21	tory institution or an institution-affiliated party
22	thereof for violations of this Act if—
23	(i) the applicable State payment
24	stablecoin regulator has not commenced an

1	enforcement action to correct such viola-
2	tion; and
3	(ii) failure to take such action would
4	create a material risk of loss to holders of
5	such issuer's stablecoins or create a mate-
6	rial threat to U.S. financial stability.
7	(B) RULEMAKING.—Not later than the end
8	of the 180-day period beginning on the date of
9	enactment of this Act, the primary Federal
10	banking agencies shall issue rules to set forth
11	the standards that would be used by the pri-
12	mary Federal bank agencies to exercise the
13	back-up authority under this paragraph.
14	(C) Back-up authority under section
15	6(b).—Solely for purposes of carrying out this
16	paragraph, section 6(b) shall apply to a State
17	qualified payment stablecoin issuer that is a
18	subsidiary of an insured depository institution
19	as if the primary Federal banking agency were
20	the primary Federal payment stablecoin regu-
21	lator with respect to the State qualified pay-
22	ment stablecoin issuer.
23	(D) PRIMARY FEDERAL BANKING AGENCY
24	DEFINED.—In this section—

1	(i) the term "primary Federal bank-
2	ing agency" means—
3	(I) the appropriate Federal bank-
4	ing agency; and
5	(II) the National Credit Union
6	Administration, in the case of an in-
7	sured credit union; and
8	(ii) the term "primary Federal bank-
9	ing agencies" means the Board, the Comp-
10	troller, the Corporation, and the National
11	Credit Union Administration.
12	(2) By the comptroller.—
13	(A) In general.—Subject to subpara-
14	graph (C), the Comptroller may, after not less
15	than 48 hours prior written notice to any appli-
16	cable State payment stablecoin regulator, take
17	an enforcement action against a State qualified
18	payment stablecoin issuer that is a nonbank en-
19	tity or an institution-affiliated party thereof for
20	violations of this Act if—
21	(i) the applicable State payment
22	stablecoin regulator has not commenced an
23	enforcement action to correct such viola-
24	tion; and

1	(ii) failure to take such action would
2	create a material risk of loss to holders of
3	such issuer's stablecoins or create a mate-
4	rial threat to U.S. financial stability.
5	(B) Rulemaking.—Not later than the end
6	of the 180-day period beginning on the date of
7	enactment of this Act, the Comptroller shall
8	issue rules to set forth the standards that would
9	be used by the Comptroller to exercise the back-
10	up authority under this paragraph.
11	(C) Back-up authority under section
12	6(b).—Solely for purposes of carrying out this
13	paragraph, section 6(b) shall apply to a State
14	qualified payment stablecoin issuer that is a
15	nonbank entity as if the Comptroller were the
16	primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator
17	with respect to the State qualified payment
18	stablecoin issuer.
19	(f) Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act.—For purposes of
20	title V of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (15 U.S.C. 6801
21	et seq.) a State qualified payment stablecoin issuer is
22	deemed a financial institution.
23	(g) Interstate Payment Stablecoin Market.—
24	(1) Definitions.—For the purposes of this
25	subsection—

1	(A) the term "home State" means the
2	State of a State qualified payment stablecoin
3	issuer's State payment stablecoin regulator; and
4	(B) the term "host State" means a State
5	other than that of the State qualified payment
6	stablecoin issuer's State payment stablecoin
7	regulator.
8	(2) Authority to issue payment
9	STABLECOINS IN HOST STATES.—Subject to the re-
10	quirements of paragraph (3), a State qualified pay-
11	ment stablecoin issuer may issue payment
12	stablecoins in a host State without a charter or li-
13	cense to issue payment stablecoins from such host
14	State.
15	(3) State obligations.—Where a State quali-
16	fied payment stablecoin issuer issues a payment
17	stablecoin in a host State pursuant to paragraph
18	(2)—
19	(A) such State qualified payment
20	stablecoin issuer shall notify any State payment

(A) such State qualified payment stablecoin issuer shall notify any State payment stablecoin regulator in such host State of the issuer's intention to do business in the host State no less than 30 days before such issuer commences business in the host State and in a manner prescribed by the host State's State

payment stablecoin regulator or State banking regulator if such State does not have a regime certified under section 4(b), provided that such notice does not impose a de facto licensure or chartering requirement on such State qualified payment stablecoin issuer;

- (B) such State qualified payment stablecoin issuer shall comply with all requirements of the issuer's home State regulatory regime when conducting business in the host State, and where the host State maintains a payment stablecoin regulatory regime that is certified under section 4(b), such issuer shall comply with any obligations of the host State's payment stablecoin regulatory regime that exceed those of such issuer's home State regulatory regime;
- (C) where the host State does not maintain a payment stablecoin regulatory regime that is certified under section 4(b), such State qualified payment stablecoin issuer shall remain subject to all applicable consumer protection laws of such host State; and
- (D) where the host State maintains a payment stablecoin regulatory regime that is cer-

tified under section 4(b), such State qualified

payment stablecoin issuer shall remain subject

to applicable consumer protection laws of such

host State, but only to the same extent as State

qualified payment stablecoin issuers chartered

or licensed in that host State.

#### 7 SEC. 8. CUSTOMER PROTECTION.

8 (a) In General.—A person may only engage in the 9 business of providing custodial or safekeeping services for 10 permitted payment stablecoins, reserves described in section 4(a)(1)(A), or private keys of permitted payment 12 stablecoins, if the person—

## (1) is subject to—

(A) supervision or regulation by a primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator or a primary financial regulatory agency described under subparagraph (B) or (C) of section 2(12) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (12 U.S.C. 5301(12)); or

(B) supervision by a State bank supervisor, as defined in section 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813) or a State credit union supervisor, as defined in section 6003 of the Anti-Money Laundering Act of

- (2) complies with the segregation requirements under subsections (b), (c), and (d), unless such person complies with similar requirements as required by the Board, the Comptroller, the Corporation, the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, as applicable.
- (b) Customer Property Requirements.—A per-son described in subsection (a) shall—
  - (1) treat and deal with the payment stablecoins, private keys, cash, and other property of another person for whom or on whose behalf the person receives, acquires, or holds payment stablecoins, private keys, cash, and other property (hereinafter in this section referred to as the "customer") as belonging to such customer and not as the property of such person; and
- 23 (2) take such steps as are appropriate to pro-24 tect the payment stablecoins, private keys, cash, and

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1 other property of a customer from the claims of 2 creditors of the person. (c) Commingling Prohibited.— 3 4 (1) In General.—Payment stablecoins, cash, 5 and other property of a customer shall be separately 6 accounted for by a person described in subsection 7 (a) and shall not be commingled with the funds of 8 the person. 9 (2) Customer Priority.—The claims of a cus-10 tomer with respect to property of the customer shall 11 have priority over the claims of a payment stablecoin 12 issuer or any creditor of a payment stablecoin issuer 13 unless the customer expressly consents otherwise. 14 (3) Exception.—Notwithstanding paragraph 15 (1)— 16 (A) the payment stablecoins, cash, and 17 other property of a customer may be commin-18 gled and deposited in an omnibus account hold-19 ing the payment stablecoins, cash, and other 20 property of more than 1 customer at an insured 21 depository institution or trust company;

(B) such share of the payment stablecoins, cash, and other property of the customer that shall be necessary to transfer, adjust, or settle a transaction or transfer of assets may be with-

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drawn and applied to such purposes, including the payment of commissions, taxes, storage, and other charges lawfully accruing in connection with the provision of services by a person described in subsection (a); and

- (C) in accordance with such terms and conditions as the Board may prescribe by rule, regulation, or order, any customer payment stablecoin, cash, and other property described in this subsection may be commingled and deposited in customer accounts with payment stablecoins, cash, and other property received by the person and required by the Board to be separately accounted for, treated, and dealt with as belonging to customers.
- 16 REGULATORY INFORMATION.—A person de-(d)scribed under subsection (a) shall submit to the primary 18 Federal payment stablecoin regulator (or, if the person does not have a primary Federal payment stablecoin regu-19 lator, to the Board) information concerning the person's 20 21 business operations and processes to protect customer payment stablecoins, cash, and other property, in such 23 form and manner as the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator (or, if the person does not have a pri-

- mary Federal payment stablecoin regulator, the Board) 2 shall determine. 3 (e) Exclusion.—The requirements of this section shall not apply to any person solely on the basis that such person engages in the business of providing hardware or software to facilitate a customer's own custody or safekeeping of the customer's payment stablecoins or private 8 keys. SEC. 9. RULE OF CONSTRUCTION. 10 A digital asset shall not be construed to be a payment 11 stablecoin, if it is— 12 (1) redeemable by the issuer exclusively for 13 other digital assets, provided that such digital assets 14 for which it is redeemable are not primarily— 15 (A) payment stablecoins; or 16 (B) representations of permissible reserves 17 described under section 4(a)(1)(A) or similar 18 such assets; or 19 (2) primarily used within a system controlled by 20 such digital asset's issuer as a means of accessing 21 products, services, or loyalty rewards.
- 22 SEC. 10. INTEROPERABILITY STANDARDS.
- 23 (a) IN GENERAL.—The primary Federal payment 24 stablecoin regulators, in consultation with the National In-

- 1 stitute of Standards and Technology, other relevant stand-
- 2 ard setting organizations, and State governments—
- 3 (1) shall assess compatibility and interoper-
- 4 ability standards for permitted payment stablecoin
- 5 issuers; and
- 6 (2) if necessary, may, pursuant to section 553
- 7 of title 5 and in a manner consistent with the Na-
- 8 tional Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of
- 9 1995 (Public Law 104–113), prescribe standards for
- payment stablecoin issuers to promote compatibility
- and interoperability.
- 12 (b) AGREEMENTS WITH FOREIGN REGULATORS.—
- 13 The Secretary of the Treasury shall seek to enter into
- 14 agreements with foreign jurisdictions with comparable
- 15 payment stablecoin regulatory regimes to facilitate inter-
- 16 national transactions and interoperability with any United
- 17 States dollar-denominated payment stablecoins issued
- 18 overseas.
- 19 SEC. 11. MORATORIUM ON ENDOGENOUSLY
- 20 COLLATERALIZED STABLECOINS.
- 21 (a) MORATORIUM.—During the 2-year period begin-
- 22 ning on the date of enactment of this Act, it shall be un-
- 23 lawful to issue an endogenously collateralized stablecoin
- 24 not in existence on the date of enactment of this Act.

- 1 (b) Endogenously Collateralized Stablecoin
- 2 Defined.—In this section, the term "endogenously
- 3 collateralized stablecoin" means any digital asset—
- 4 (1) in which its issuer has represented will be
- 5 converted, redeemed, or repurchased for a fixed
- 6 amount of monetary value; and
- 7 (2) that relies solely on the value of another
- 8 digital asset created or maintained by the same
- 9 originator to maintain the fixed price.

#### 10 SEC. 12. STUDIES AND REPORTS.

- 11 (a) STUDY BY TREASURY.—The Secretary of the
- 12 Treasury, in consultation with the Board, the Comptroller,
- 13 the Corporation, the National Credit Union Administra-
- 14 tion, and the Securities and Exchange Commission, shall
- 15 carry out a study of non-payment stablecoins, including
- 16 decentralized stablecoins.
- 17 (b) Report.—Not later than 365 days after the date
- 18 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall provide
- 19 to the Committee on Financial Services of the House of
- 20 Representatives and the Committee on Banking, Housing,
- 21 and Urban Affairs of the Senate a report that contains
- 22 all findings made in carrying out the study under sub-
- 23 section (a), including an analysis of—

1	(1) the categories of non-payment stablecoins,
2	including the benefits and risks of technological de-
3	sign features;
4	(2) the participants in non-payment stablecoin
5	arrangements;
6	(3) utilization and potential utilization of non-
7	payment stablecoins;
8	(4) nature of reserve compositions;
9	(5) governance structure, including aspects of
10	decentralization;
11	(6) nature of public promotion and advertising;
12	and
13	(7) clarity and availability of consumer notices
14	disclosures.
15	SEC. 13. REPORT ON RULEMAKING STATUS.
16	Not later than 6 months after the date of enactment
17	of this Act, the primary Federal payment stablecoin regu-
18	lators shall provide a status update on the development
19	of the rulemaking under this Act to the Committee on Fi-
20	nancial Services of the House of Representatives and the
21	Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of
22	the Senate.
23	SEC. 14. AUTHORITY OF BANKING INSTITUTIONS.
24	(a) Rule of Construction.—Nothing in this Act
25	may be construed to limit the authority of a depository

- 1 institution, Federal credit union, State credit union, or
- 2 trust company to engage in activities permissible pursuant
- 3 to applicable State and Federal law, including—
- 4 (1) accepting or receiving deposits and issuing 5 digital assets that represent deposits;
- 6 (2) utilizing a distributed ledger for the books 7 and records of the entity and to affect intrabank 8 transfers; and
- 9 (3) providing custodial services for payment 10 stablecoins, private keys of payment stablecoins, or 11 reserves backing payment stablecoins.
- 12 (b) REGULATORY REVIEW.—The primary Federal
- 13 payment stablecoin regulators shall review all existing reg-
- 14 ulations and guidance and, if necessary, amend such regu-
- 15 lations or guidance or issue new regulations or guidance
- 16 to clarify that regulated entities can engage in the pay-
- 17 ment stablecoin activities contemplated in, and in accord-
- 18 ance with, this Act.
- 19 (c) Treatment of Custody Activities.—The ap-
- 20 propriate Federal banking agency, the National Credit
- 21 Union Administration (in the case of a credit union), and
- 22 the Securities and Exchange Commission may not require
- 23 a depository institution, national bank, Federal credit
- 24 union, State credit union, or trust company, or any affil-
- 25 iate thereof (the "entity")—

1	(1) to include assets held in custody that are
2	not owned by the entity as a liability on the financial
3	statement or balance sheet of the entity, including
4	payment stablecoin custody or safekeeping activities;
5	(2) to hold additional regulatory capital against
6	assets in custody or safekeeping, except as necessary
7	to mitigate against operational risks inherent with
8	the custody or safekeeping services, as determined
9	by—
10	(A) the appropriate Federal banking agen-
11	cy;
12	(B) the National Credit Union Administra-
13	tion (in the case of a credit union);
14	(C) a State bank supervisor (as defined in
15	section 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act
16	(12 U.S.C. 1813)); or
17	(D) a State credit union supervisor (as de-
18	fined in section 6003 of the Anti-Money Laun-
19	dering Act of 2020 (31 U.S.C. 5311 note));
20	(3) to recognize a liability for any obligations
21	related to activities or services performed for digital
22	assets that the entity does not own if that liability
23	would exceed the expense recognized in the income
24	statement as a result of the corresponding obliga-
25	tion.

1	(d) Depository Institution Defined.—In this
2	section, the term "depository institution" has the meaning
3	given that term in section 3 of the Federal Deposit Insur-
4	ance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813).
5	SEC. 15. AMENDMENTS TO CLARIFY THAT PAYMENT
6	STABLECOINS ARE NOT SECURITIES.
7	(a) Investment Advisers Act of 1940.—Section
8	202(a)(18) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15
9	U.S.C. 80b-2(a)(18)) is amended by adding at the end
10	the following: "The term 'security' does not include a pay-
11	ment stablecoin issued by a permitted payment stablecoin
12	issuer, as such terms are defined, respectively, in section
13	2 of the STABLE Act of 2025.".
14	(b) Investment Company Act of 1940.—The In-
15	vestment Company Act of 1940 is amended—
16	(1) in section 2(a)(36) (15 U.S.C. 80a-
17	2(a)(36)), by adding at the end the following: "The
18	term 'security' does not include a payment stablecoin
19	issued by a permitted payment stablecoin issuer, as
20	such terms are defined, respectively, in section 2 of
21	the STABLE Act of 2025."; and
22	(2) in section 3(c) (15 U.S.C. 80a-3(c)), by
23	adding at the end the following:

- 1 "(15) Any permitted payment stablecoin issuer,
- 2 as such term is defined in section 2 of the STABLE
- 3 Act of 2025.".
- 4 (c) SECURITIES ACT OF 1933.—Section 2(a)(1) of
- 5 the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77b(a)(1)) is
- 6 amended by adding at the end the following: "The term
- 7 'security' does not include a payment stablecoin issued by
- 8 a permitted payment stablecoin issuer, as such terms are
- 9 defined, respectively, in section 2 of the STABLE Act of
- 10 2025.".
- 11 (d) Securities Exchange Act of 1934.—Section
- 12 3(a)(10) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15
- 13 U.S.C. 78c(a)(10)) is amended by adding at the end the
- 14 following: "The term 'security' does not include a payment
- 15 stablecoin issued by a permitted payment stablecoin
- 16 issuer, as such terms are defined, respectively, in section
- 17 2 of the STABLE Act of 2025.".
- 18 (e) Securities Investor Protection Act of
- 19 1970.—Section 16(14) of the Securities Investor Protec-
- 20 tion Act of 1970 (15 U.S.C. 78lll(14)) is amended by add-
- 21 ing at the end the following: "The term 'security' does
- 22 not include a payment stablecoin issued by a permitted
- 23 payment stablecoin issuer, as such terms are defined, re-
- 24 spectively, in section 2 of the STABLE Act of 2025.".