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H. R. 3690

To codify the Office of the Strategic Hub for Innovation and Financial Technology of the Securities and Exchange Commission and LabCFTC of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 3, 2025

Mr. LUCAS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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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 “Securing Innovation
5 in Financial Regulation Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. STRATEGIC HUB FOR INNOVATION AND FINANCIAL**
2 **TECHNOLOGY.**

3 Section 4 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15
4 U.S.C. 78d) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing:

6 “(k) STRATEGIC HUB FOR INNOVATION AND FINAN-
7 CIAL TECHNOLOGY.—

8 “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180
9 days after the date of the enactment of this sub-
10 section, the Securities and Exchange Commission
11 shall establish a committee to be known as the Stra-
12 tegic Hub for Innovation and Financial Technology
13 (referred to in this subsection as the ‘FinHub’) to
14 support engagement on emerging technologies in the
15 financial sector.

16 “(2) MEMBERS.—The composition of FinHub
17 shall be determined by the Commission, drawing
18 from relevant divisions as appropriate, including the
19 Division of Trading and Markets, Division of Cor-
20 porate Finance, and Division of Investment Manage-
21 ment.

22 “(3) RESPONSIBILITIES.—FinHub shall—

23 “(A) serve as a resource for the Commis-
24 sion on emerging financial technology advance-
25 ments;

1 “(B) engage with market participants
2 working on emerging financial technologies; and

3 “(C) facilitate communication between the
4 Commission and businesses working in emerg-
5 ing financial technology fields with information
6 on the Commission, its rules, and regulations.

7 “(4) REPORT TO THE COMMISSION.—

8 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than Octo-
9 ber 31 of each year after 2025, FinHub shall
10 provide an annual summary of its engagement
11 activities to the Commission, which shall be in-
12 cluded in the Commission’s annual report to
13 Congress.

14 “(B) CONFIDENTIALITY.—Each report
15 submitted under this paragraph shall not con-
16 tain confidential information.”.

17 **SEC. 3. CODIFICATION OF LABCFTC.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 18 of the Commodity Ex-
19 change Act (7 U.S.C. 22) is amended by adding at the
20 end the following:

21 “(c) LABCFTC.—

22 “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in
23 the Commission LabCFTC.

24 “(2) PURPOSE.—The purposes of LabCFTC
25 are to—

1 “(A) promote responsible financial tech-
2 nology innovation and fair competition for the
3 benefit of the American public;

4 “(B) serve as an information platform to
5 inform the Commission about new financial
6 technology innovation; and

7 “(C) provide outreach to financial tech-
8 nology innovators to discuss their innovations
9 and the regulatory framework established by
10 this Act and the regulations promulgated there-
11 under.

12 “(3) DIRECTOR.—LabCFTC shall have a Direc-
13 tor, who shall be appointed by the Commission and
14 serve at the pleasure of the Commission. Notwith-
15 standing section 2(a)(6)(A), the Director shall re-
16 port directly to the Commission and perform such
17 functions and duties as the Commission may pre-
18 scribe.

19 “(4) DUTIES.—LabCFTC shall—

20 “(A) advise the Commission with respect
21 to rulemakings or other agency or staff action
22 regarding financial technology;

23 “(B) provide internal education and train-
24 ing to the Commission regarding financial tech-
25 nology;

1 “(C) advise the Commission regarding fi-
2 nancial technology that would bolster the Com-
3 mission’s oversight functions;

4 “(D) engage with academia, students, and
5 professionals on financial technology issues,
6 ideas, and technology relevant to activities
7 under this Act;

8 “(E) provide persons working in emerging
9 technology fields with information on the Com-
10 mission, its rules and regulations, and the role
11 of a registered futures association; and

12 “(F) encourage persons working in emerg-
13 ing technology fields to engage with the Com-
14 mission and obtain feedback from the Commis-
15 sion on potential regulatory issues.

16 “(5) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

17 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than Octo-
18 ber 31 of each year after 2025, LabCFTC shall
19 submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the
20 House of Representatives and the Committee
21 on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the
22 Senate a report on its activities.

23 “(B) CONTENTS.—Each report required
24 under paragraph (1) shall include—

1 “(i) the total number of persons that
2 met with LabCFTC;

3 “(ii) a summary of general issues dis-
4 cussed during meetings with the person;

5 “(iii) information on steps LabCFTC
6 has taken to improve Commission services,
7 including responsiveness to the concerns of
8 persons;

9 “(iv) recommendations made to the
10 Commission with respect to the regula-
11 tions, guidance, and orders of the Commis-
12 sion and such legislative actions as may be
13 appropriate; and

14 “(v) any other information determined
15 appropriate by the Director of LabCFTC.

16 “(C) CONFIDENTIALITY.—A report under
17 paragraph (A) shall abide by the confidentiality
18 requirements in section 8.

19 “(6) RECORDS AND ENGAGEMENT.—The Com-
20 mission shall—

21 “(A) maintain systems of records to track
22 engagements with the public through
23 LabCFTC;

24 “(B) store communications and materials
25 received in connection with any such engage-

1 ment in accordance with Commission policies
2 and procedures on data retention and confiden-
3 tiality; and

4 “(C) take reasonable steps to protect any
5 confidential or proprietary information received
6 through LabCFTC engagement.”.

7 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section
8 2(a)(6)(A) of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2(a)(6)(A)) is amend-
9 ed—

10 (1) by striking “paragraph and in” and insert-
11 ing “paragraph,”; and

12 (2) by inserting “and section 18(c)(3),” before
13 “the executive”.

14 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The Commodity Futures
15 Trading Commission shall implement the amendments
16 made by this section (including complying with section
17 18(c)(7) of the Commodity Exchange Act) within 180
18 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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