[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

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

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Steil (for himself and Mr. Hill of Arkansas) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on

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) Digital asset.—The term "digital asset"
21	means any digital representation of value which is
22	recorded on a cryptographically-secured distributed
23	ledger.
24	(7) DISTRIBUTED LEDGER.—The term "distrib-
25	uted ledger" means technology where data is shared

1	across a network that creates a public digital ledger
2	of verified transactions or information among net-
3	work participants and the data is linked using cryp-
4	tography to maintain the integrity of the public dig-
5	ital ledger and execute other functions.
6	(8) Federal qualified nonbank payment
7	STABLECOIN ISSUER.—The term "Federal qualified
8	nonbank payment stablecoin issuer" means a sub-
9	sidiary of a nonbank entity approved by the primary
10	Federal payment stablecoin regulator, pursuant to
11	section 5, to issue payment stablecoins.
12	(9) Institution-affiliated party.—With re-
13	spect to a permitted payment stablecoin issuer, the
14	term "institution-affiliated party" means any direc-
15	tor, officer, employee, or person in control of, or
16	agent for, the permitted payment stablecoin issuer.
17	(10) Insured Credit Union.—The term "in-
18	sured credit union" has the meaning given that term
19	in section 101 of the Federal Credit Union Act (12
20	U.S.C. 1752).
21	(11) Insured depository institution.—The
22	term "insured depository institution" means—
23	(A) an insured depository institution, as
24	defined in section 3 of the Federal Deposit In-
25	surance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813); and

1	(B) an insured credit union.
2	(12) Monetary value.—The term "monetary
3	value''—
4	(A) means—
5	(i) a national currency; or
6	(ii) deposit (as defined in section 3 of
7	the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12
8	U.S.C. 1813)) that is denominated in a na-
9	tional currency; and
10	(B) does not include any agricultural or
11	other physical commodity (as defined in section
12	1a of the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C.
13	1a).
14	(13) Money.—The term "money" means any
15	financial instrument that is legal tender, is required
16	to be received by a taxing authority in satisfaction
17	of tax obligations, or is widely accepted in an econ-
18	omy for the payments of goods or services.
19	(14) National currency.—The term "na-
20	tional currency" means a Federal Reserve note, (as
21	the term is used in the first undesignated paragraph
22	of section 16 of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C.
23	411)), money standing to the credit of an account
24	with a Federal reserve bank, money issued by a cen-
25	tral bank, and money issued by an intergovern-

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

1	the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15
2	U.S.C. $80a-8(a)$; or
3	(iii) a deposit (as defined under sec-
4	tion 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance
5	Act).
6	(17) PERMITTED PAYMENT STABLECOIN
7	ISSUER.—The term "permitted payment stablecoin
8	issuer'' means—
9	(A) a subsidiary of an insured depository
10	institution that has been approved to issue pay-
11	ment stablecoins under section 5;
12	(B) a Federal qualified nonbank payment
13	stablecoin issuer; or
14	(C) a State qualified payment stablecoin
15	issuer.
16	(18) Person.—The term "person" means an
17	individual, partnership, company, corporation, asso-
18	ciation (incorporated or unincorporated), trust, es-
19	tate, cooperative organization, or other entity.
20	(19) Primary federal payment stablecoin
21	REGULATOR.—
22	(A) IN GENERAL.—The term "primary
23	Federal payment stablecoin regulator' means—
24	(i) with respect to an insured deposi-
25	tory institution (other than an insured

1	credit union) or a subsidiary of an insured
2	depository institution (other than an in-
3	sured credit union), the appropriate Fed-
4	eral banking agency of such insured depos-
5	itory institution;
6	(ii) with respect to an insured credit
7	union or a subsidiary of an insured credit
8	union, the National Credit Union Adminis-
9	tration;
10	(iii) with respect to a Federal quali-
11	fied nonbank payment stablecoin issuer
12	and any nonbank entity that seeks to have
13	a subsidiary approved as a Federal quali-
14	fied nonbank payment stablecoin issuer,
15	the Comptroller; and
16	(iv) with respect to any entity char-
17	tered by the Comptroller, the Comptroller.
18	(B) Primary federal payment
19	STABLECOIN REGULATORS.—The term "pri-
20	mary Federal payment stablecoin regulators"
21	means the Comptroller, the Board, the Corpora-
22	tion, and the National Credit Union Adminis-
23	tration.
24	(20) REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING
25	FIRM.—The term "registered public accounting

1	firm" has the meaning given that term under section
2	2 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C.
3	7201).
4	(21) State.—The term "State" means each of
5	the several States, the District of Columbia, and
6	each territory of the United States.
7	(22) State qualified payment stablecoin
8	ISSUER.—The term "State qualified payment
9	stablecoin issuer" means an entity that—
10	(A) is legally established and approved to
11	issue payment stablecoins by a State payment
12	stablecoin regulator; and
13	(B) issues a payment stablecoin in compli-
14	ance with a State regulatory regime certified
15	under section 4(b).
16	(23) State payment stablecoin regu-
17	LATOR.—The term "State payment stablecoin regu-
18	lator" means a State agency that has primary regu-
19	latory and supervisory authority in such State over
20	entities that issue payment stablecoins.
21	(24) Subsidiary of an insured credit
22	UNION.—With respect to an insured credit union,
23	the term "subsidiary of an insured credit union"
24	means—

1	(A) an organization providing services to
2	the insured credit union that are associated
3	with the routine operations of credit unions, as
4	described under section $107(7)(I)$ of the Fed-
5	eral Credit Union Act (12 U.S.C. 1757(7)(I));
6	and
7	(B) a credit union service organization, as
8	such term is used under part 712 of title 12,
9	Code of Federal Regulations, with respect to
10	which the insured credit union has an owner-
11	ship interest or to which the insured credit
12	union has extended a loan.
13	SEC. 3. LIMITATION ON WHO MAY ISSUE A PAYMENT
14	STABLECOIN.
15	It shall be unlawful for any person other than a per-
16	mitted payment stablecoin issuer to issue a payment
17	stablecoin for use by any person in the United States.
18	SEC. 4. REQUIREMENTS FOR ISSUING PAYMENT
19	STABLECOINS.
20	(a) Standards for the Issuance of Payment
21	Stablecoins.—
22	(1) In general.—Each permitted payment
23	stablecoin issuer shall—

1	(A) maintain reserves backing the issuer's
2	outstanding payment stablecoins on an at least
3	1 to 1 basis, with reserves comprising—
4	(i) United States currency (including
5	Federal reserve notes) or money standing
6	to the credit of an account with a Federal
7	reserve bank;
8	(ii) funds held as demand deposits (or
9	other deposits that may be withdrawn
10	upon request at any time) at insured de-
11	pository institutions (including foreign
12	branches and agencies of insured deposi-
13	tory institutions) or approved foreign de-
14	pository institutions (as defined in para-
15	graph (4)(iv)) or insured shares at insured
16	depository institutions, subject to limita-
17	tions established by the Corporation and
18	the National Credit Union Administration,
19	respectively, to address safety and sound-
20	ness risks of such insured depository insti-
21	tutions;
22	(iii) Treasury bills, notes, or bonds—
23	(I) with a remaining maturity of
24	30 days or less; or

1	(II) issued with a maturity of 93
2	days or less;
3	(iv) repurchase agreements, wherein
4	the permitted payment stablecoin issuer is
5	acting as a seller of securities, or reverse
6	repurchase agreements, wherein the per-
7	mitted payment stablecoin issuer is acting
8	as a purchaser of securities, with a matu-
9	rity of 7 days or less that are backed by
10	Treasury bills with a maturity of 93 days
11	or less that are—
12	(I) centrally cleared through a
13	clearing agency registered with the
14	Securities and Exchange Commission;
15	or
16	(II) bilateral, settling either
17	through delivery versus payment or
18	through a tri-party control account,
19	with a counterparty that the issuer
20	has determined to be adequately cred-
21	it worthy even in the event of severe
22	market stress;
23	(v) securities issued by an investment
24	company under section 8(a) of the Invest-
25	ment Company Act of 1940 that operates

1	as a money market fund in compliance
2	with Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Com-
3	pany Act of 1940 (or any successor rule)
4	and that are invested solely in the under-
5	lying assets described in clauses (i)
6	through (iv); or
7	(vi) any other similarly high quality
8	and liquid asset approved pursuant to
9	paragraph (4)(v);
10	(B) publicly disclose the issuer's redemp-
11	tion policy;
12	(C) establish procedures for timely redemp-
13	tion of the issuer's outstanding payment
14	stablecoins; and
15	(D) publish a report on the monthly com-
16	position of the issuer's reserves on the website
17	of the issuer, containing—
18	(i) the total number of outstanding
19	payment stablecoins issued by the issuer;
20	and
21	(ii) the amount and composition of
22	the reserves described under subparagraph
23	(A).
24	(2) Prohibition on Rehypothecation.—Re-
25	serves described under paragraph (1)(A) may not be

1	pledged, rehypothecated, or reused, except for the
2	purpose of satisfying obligations associated with re-
3	serves described under paragraph (1)(A)(iv) if the
4	permitted payment stablecoin issuer receives the
5	prior approval of the primary Federal payment
6	stablecoin regulator or the State payment stablecoin
7	regulator.
8	(3) Monthly Certification; examination
9	OF REPORTS BY REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING
10	FIRM.—
11	(A) In general.—A permitted payment
12	stablecoin issuer shall, each month, have the in-
13	formation disclosed in the previous month-end
14	report required under paragraph (1)(D) exam-
15	ined by a registered public accounting firm.
16	(B) CERTIFICATION.—Each month, the
17	Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Of-
18	ficer of a permitted payment stablecoin issuer
19	shall submit a certification as to the accuracy
20	of the previous month-end report to—
21	(i) the primary Federal payment
22	stablecoin regulator; or
23	(ii) in the case of a State qualified
24	payment stablecoin issuer, to the State
25	payment stablecoin regulator.

1	(C) CRIMINAL PENALTY.—Any person who
2	submits a certification required under subpara-
3	graph (B) knowing that such certification is
4	false shall be subject to the criminal penalties
5	set forth under section 1350(c) of title 18,
6	United States Code.
7	(4) Capital, Liquidity, Risk management,
8	AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—
9	(A) In General.—The primary Federal
10	payment stablecoin regulators shall, jointly,
11	issue—
12	(i) capital requirements applicable to
13	permitted payment stablecoin issuers,
14	which may not exceed an amount that is
15	sufficient to ensure the permitted payment
16	stablecoin issuer's ongoing operations;
17	(ii) requirements implementing liquid-
18	ity standards applicable to reserves de-
19	scribed in paragraph (1) for permitted
20	payment stablecoin issuers, which may not
21	exceed an amount that is sufficient to en-
22	sure the financial integrity of the per-
23	mitted payment stablecoin issuer and the
24	ability of the issuer to meet the financial

1	obligations of the issuer, including redemp-
2	tions;
3	(iii) risk management requirements
4	applicable to permitted payment stablecoin
5	issuers, including cybersecurity risk, tai-
6	lored to the business model and risk profile
7	of the permitted payment stablecoin issuer;
8	(iv) requirements regarding the ap-
9	proval of foreign depository institutions
10	that may hold demand deposits of per-
11	mitted payment stablecoin issuers; and
12	(v) such rules as may be appropriate
13	to permit assets in additional to those de-
14	scribed under paragraph (1)(A) to be held
15	as reserves by permitted payment
16	stablecoin issuers.
17	(B) Tailoring of requirements.—The
18	primary Federal payment stablecoin regulators
19	shall, in issuing requirements under this para-
20	graph, tailor or differentiate such requirements
21	among permitted payment stablecoin issuers on
22	an individual basis or by category, taking into
23	consideration such issuers' capital structure,
24	business model, risk profile, complexity, finan-
25	cial activities (including financial activities of

1	any subsidiaries), size, and any other risk-re-
2	lated factors that the primary Federal payment
3	stablecoin regulators determine appropriate.
4	(C) Rule of Construction.—Nothing in
5	this paragraph may be construed to limit the
6	supervisory, regulatory, or enforcement author-
7	ity of a Federal banking agency (as defined in
8	section 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act
9	(12 U.S.C. 1813)) to further the ability of an
10	institution under the supervision of the Federal
11	banking agency to comply with this Act.
12	(D) Applicability of existing capital
13	STANDARDS.—Section 171 of the Financial Sta-
14	bility Act of 2010 (12 U.S.C. 5371) shall not
15	apply to requirements issued under this para-
16	graph.
17	(5) 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	(6) 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, private keys of
5	payment stablecoins, and associated information
6	of payment stablecoins;
7	(E) provide custodial or safekeeping serv-
8	ices for reserves; and
9	(F) undertake other functions that directly
10	support activities described in subparagraphs
11	(A) through (E).
12	(7) REGULATION OF FEDERAL QUALIFIED
13	NONBANK PAYMENT STABLECOIN ISSUERS BY THE
14	COMPTROLLER.—A Federal qualified nonbank pay-
15	ment stablecoin issuer shall be regulated and super-
16	vised primarily by the Comptroller.
17	(b) State-level Regulatory Regimes.—
18	(1) In general.—A State qualified payment
19	stablecoin issuer may only issue payment stablecoins
20	pursuant to the regulation of a State payment
21	stablecoin regulator of a State with a regulatory re-
22	gime for issuing payment stablecoins that is certified
23	under this subsection as meeting or exceeding the
24	standards and requirements described in subsection
25	(a).

1	(2) Certification.—
2	(A) In General.—Beginning on the date
3	that is 1 year after the date of enactment of
4	this Act, a State payment stablecoin regulator
5	may submit to the Secretary of the Treasury a
6	certification that the regulatory regime of the
7	State for issuing payment stablecoins meets or
8	exceeds the standards and requirements de-
9	scribed in subsection (a).
10	(B) Validity of Certification.—A cer-
11	tification under subparagraph (A) shall be valid
12	upon submission and remain valid unless sub-
13	ject to a rejection by the Secretary of the
14	Treasury under paragraph (5).
15	(3) Form of Certification.—An initial cer-
16	tification described under paragraph (2)—
17	(A) shall contain an attestation that the
18	regulatory regime of the State for issuing pay-
19	ment stablecoins meets or exceeds the stand-
20	ards and requirements described in subsection
21	(a); and
22	(B) may include supporting information,
23	such as a copy of any State law or regulation
24	implementing such standards and requirements.
25	(4) Annual report and attestation.—

1	(A) In GENERAL.—A State payment
2	stablecoin regulator with a valid certification
3	under this subsection shall submit an annual
4	report to the Secretary of the Treasury con-
5	taining either—
6	(i) an attestation that the State regu-
7	latory regime has not materially changed
8	since the most recent annual report (or,
9	for the first annual report, the initial cer-
10	tification); or
11	(ii) an explanation of all material
12	changes to the State regulatory regime
13	since the most recent annual report (or,
14	for the first annual report, the initial cer-
15	tification).
16	(B) Form of material changes expla-
17	NATION.—With respect to a State payment
18	stablecoin regulator that submits an expla-
19	nation of material changes to the State regu-
20	latory regime under subparagraph (A)(ii), the
21	payment stablecoin regulator shall make such
22	explanation in the same manner, and containing
23	the same attestation, as described under para-
24	graph (3) for an initial certification.

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

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

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

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

1	(D) RIGHT TO RESUBMIT.—A State pay-
2	ment stablecoin regulator that has had a certifi-
3	cation rejected under this paragraph may re-
4	submit a new certification under paragraph (2).
5	(c) 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.
16	(3) Rulemaking deadline.—Not later than
17	the end of the 180-day period beginning on the date
18	of enactment of this Act, the Federal payment
19	stablecoin regulators shall issue regulations to carry
20	out this section.
21	SEC. 5. APPROVAL OF SUBSIDIARIES OF INSURED DEPOSI-
22	TORY INSTITUTIONS AND SUBSIDIARIES OF
23	NONBANK ENTITIES.
24	(a) In General.—
25	(1) Application.—

1	(A) In General.—The primary Federal
2	payment stablecoin regulator shall receive and
3	review applications from any insured depository
4	institution that seeks to issue payment
5	stablecoins through a subsidiary and any
6	nonbank entity that seeks to issue payment
7	stablecoins through a subsidiary.
8	(B) Completion of Application.—With
9	respect to an application filed under this para-
10	graph, once the primary Federal payment
11	stablecoin regulator has informed the applicant
12	that the application is complete, such applica-
13	tion shall be deemed to be complete unless the
14	primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator
15	determines that a significant change in cir-
16	cumstances requires otherwise.
17	(2) Evaluation of applications.—A com-
18	plete application received under paragraph (1) shall
19	be evaluated by the primary Federal payment
20	stablecoin regulator based on the ability of the sub-
21	sidiary of the applicant to meet the requirements set
22	forth in section 4.
23	(3) Timing for decision; grounds for de-
24	NIAL —

1	(A) Timing.—The primary Federal pay-
2	ment stablecoin regulator shall—
3	(i) inform the applicant whether the
4	applicant has submitted a complete appli-
5	cation not later than 45 days after receiv-
6	ing the application; and
7	(ii) render a decision on an applica-
8	tion not later than 120 days after inform-
9	ing the applicant that the application is
10	complete.
11	(B) Denial of Application.—
12	(i) Grounds for Denial.—The pri-
13	mary Federal payment stablecoin regulator
14	may only deny a complete application re-
15	ceived under paragraph (1) if the regulator
16	determines that the activities of the appli-
17	cant would be unsafe or unsound based on
18	the ability of the subsidiary of the appli-
19	cant to meet the requirements set forth in
20	section 4.
21	(ii) Explanation required.—If the
22	primary Federal payment stablecoin regu-
23	lator denies a complete application received
24	under paragraph (1), the regulator shall,

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

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

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

1	(C) the number of applications that have
2	been pending for 6 months or longer since the
3	date of the initial application filed under para-
4	graph (1) where the applicant has been in-
5	formed that the application remains incomplete,
6	including providing documentation on the sta-
7	tus of the application and why the application
8	has not yet been approved.
9	(5) Rulemaking.—
10	(A) In general.—The primary Federal
11	payment stablecoin regulators shall, jointly,
12	issue rules to carry out this section, which may
13	only relate to the application process under this
14	subsection and may not implement the require-
15	ments set forth in section 4.
16	(B) Tailoring of Rules.—The joint
17	rulemaking required under subparagraph (A)
18	shall be tailored so as to minimize any incre-
19	mental burden placed on well capitalized and
20	highly-rated insured depository institutions.
21	(b) Effective Date.—
22	(1) In general.—This section shall take effect
23	on the earlier of—
24	(A) 18 months after the date of enactment
25	of this Act; or

1	(B) the date that is 120 days after the
2	date on which the primary Federal payment
3	stablecoin regulators issue final regulations im-
4	plementing this section.
5	(2) Authority to issue regulations and
6	PROCESS APPLICATIONS.—The primary Federal pay-
7	ment stablecoin regulators may, before the effective
8	date described under paragraph (1)—
9	(A) issue regulations to carry out this sec-
10	tion; and
11	(B) pursuant to regulations described
12	under subparagraph (A), accept and process ap-
13	plications described under this section.
14	(3) Notice to congress.—Each of the pri-
15	mary Federal payment stablecoin regulators shall
16	notify Congress upon receiving their first application
17	described under this section.
18	(4) Safe harbor for pending applica-
19	TIONS.—The primary Federal payment stablecoin
20	regulator may waive the application of the require-
21	ments of this section for a period not to exceed 12
22	months beginning on the effective date described
23	under paragraph (1), with respect to—
24	(A) a subsidiary of an insured depository
25	institution, if the insured depository institution

1	has an application pending for the subsidiary to
2	become a permitted payment stablecoin issuer
3	on the effective date described under paragraph
4	(1); or
5	(B) a subsidiary of a nonbank entity, if the
6	nonbank entity has an application pending to
7	become a Federal qualified nonbank payment
8	stablecoin issuer on the effective date described
9	under paragraph (1).
10	SEC. 6. SUPERVISION AND ENFORCEMENT WITH RESPECT
11	TO SUBSIDIARIES OF INSURED DEPOSITORY
12	INSTITUTIONS AND FEDERAL QUALIFIED
13	NONBANK PAYMENT STABLECOIN ISSUERS.
1 1	(a) Supervision.—
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14 15	(a) Supervision.— (1) Subsidiary of an insured depository
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15 16	(1) Subsidiary of an insured depository institution.—
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15 16 17 18	 (1) Subsidiary of an insured depository institution.— (A) In general.—Each permitted payment stablecoin issuer that is a subsidiary of an
15 16 17 18 19	(1) Subsidiary of an insured depository institution.— (A) In General.—Each permitted payment stablecoin issuer that is a subsidiary of an insured depository institution shall be subject to
115 116 117 118 119 220	(1) Subsidiary of an insured depository institution.— (A) In General.—Each permitted payment stablecoin issuer that is a subsidiary of an insured depository institution shall be subject to supervision by the primary Federal payment
15 16 17 18 19 20 21	(1) Subsidiary of an insured depository institution.— (A) In General.—Each permitted payment stablecoin issuer that is a subsidiary of an insured depository institution shall be subject to supervision by the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator in the same manner as
15 16 17 18 19 20 21	(1) Subsidiary of an insured depository institution.— (A) In General.—Each permitted payment stablecoin issuer that is a subsidiary of an insured depository institution shall be subject to supervision by the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator in the same manner as such insured depository institution.

1	payment stablecoin issuer that is a subsidiary
2	of an insured depository institution shall be
3	deemed a financial institution.
4	(2) Federal Qualified Nonbank Payment
5	STABLECOIN ISSUER.—
6	(A) Submission of Reports.—Each Fed-
7	eral qualified nonbank payment stablecoin
8	issuer shall, upon request, submit reports to the
9	Comptroller as to—
10	(i) the financial condition of the Fed-
11	eral qualified nonbank payment stablecoin
12	issuer;
13	(ii) the systems of the Federal quali-
14	fied nonbank payment stablecoin issuer for
15	monitoring and controlling financial and
16	operating risks; and
17	(iii) compliance with this Act by the
18	Federal qualified nonbank payment
19	stablecoin issuer.
20	(B) EXAMINATIONS.—The Comptroller
21	may examine a Federal qualified nonbank pay-
22	ment stablecoin issuer in order to inform the
23	Comptroller of—

1	(i) the nature of the operations and fi-
2	nancial condition of the Federal qualified
3	nonbank payment stablecoin issuer;
4	(ii) the financial, operational, and
5	other risks within the Federal qualified
6	nonbank payment stablecoin issuer that
7	may pose a threat to—
8	(I) the safety and soundness of
9	the Federal qualified nonbank pay-
10	ment stablecoin issuer; or
11	(II) the stability of the financial
12	system of the United States;
13	(iii) the systems of the Federal quali-
14	fied nonbank payment stablecoin issuer for
15	monitoring and controlling the risks de-
16	scribed in clause (ii); and
17	(iv) the compliance of the Federal
18	qualified nonbank payment stablecoin
19	issuer with the requirements of the Bank
20	Secrecy Act.
21	(C) Requirements for efficiency.—In
22	supervising and examining a Federal qualified
23	nonbank payment stablecoin issuer, the Comp-
24	troller shall, to the fullest extent possible, use

1	existing reports and other supervisory informa-
2	tion.
3	(D) AVOIDANCE OF DUPLICATION.—The
4	Comptroller shall, to the fullest extent possible,
5	avoid duplication of examination activities, re-
6	porting requirements, and requests for informa-
7	tion in carrying out this Act with respect to a
8	Federal qualified nonbank payment stablecoin
9	issuer.
10	(E) Gramm-Leach-Bliley act.—For
11	purposes of title V of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley
12	Act (15 U.S.C. 6801 et seq.) each Federal
13	qualified nonbank payment stablecoin issuer
14	shall be deemed a financial institution.
15	(b) Enforcement.—
16	(1) Suspension or revocation of registra-
17	TION.—The primary Federal payment stablecoin
18	regulator may prohibit a permitted payment
19	stablecoin issuer from issuing payment stablecoins, if
20	the primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator
21	determines that such permitted payment stablecoin
22	issuer, or an institution-affiliated party of the per-
23	mitted payment stablecoin issuer, is—

1	(A) materially violating or has materially
2	violated this Act or any regulation or order
3	issued under this Act; or
4	(B) materially violating or has materially
5	violated any condition imposed in writing by the
6	primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator
7	in connection with a written agreement entered
8	into between the permitted payment stablecoin
9	issuer and the primary Federal payment
10	stablecoin regulator.
11	(2) Cease-and-desist proceedings.—If the
12	primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator has
13	reasonable cause to believe that a permitted payment
14	stablecoin issuer or any institution-affiliated party of
15	a permitted payment stablecoin issuer is violating,
16	has violated, or is attempting to violate this Act, any
17	regulation or order issued under this Act, or any
18	written agreement entered into with the primary
19	Federal payment stablecoin regulator or condition
20	imposed in writing by the primary Federal payment
21	stablecoin regulator in connection with any applica-
22	tion or other request, the primary Federal payment
23	stablecoin regulator may order the permitted pay-
24	ment stablecoin issuer or institution-affiliated party
25	of the permitted payment stablecoin issuer to—

1	(A) cease and desist from such violation or
2	practice; or
3	(B) take affirmative action to correct the
4	conditions resulting from any such violation or
5	practice.
6	(3) Removal and prohibition authority.—
7	The primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator
8	may remove an institution-affiliated party of a per-
9	mitted payment stablecoin issuer from their position
10	or office or prohibit further participation in the af-
11	fairs of the permitted payment stablecoin issuer or
12	all permitted payment stablecoin issuers by such in-
13	stitution-affiliated party, if the primary Federal pay-
14	ment stablecoin regulator determines that—
15	(A) the institution-affiliated party has, di-
16	rectly or indirectly, committed a violation or at-
17	tempted violation of this Act or any regulation
18	or order issued under this Act; or
19	(B) the institution-affiliated party has
20	committed a violation of any provision of sub-
21	chapter II of chapter 53 of title 31, United
22	States Code.
23	(4) Procedures.—
24	(A) IN GENERAL.—If the primary Federal
25	payment stablecoin regulator identifies a viola-

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

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under paragraph (1), (2), or (3), or the continuation 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 primary Federal paragraph, the payment stablecoin regulator may follow the procedures provided in section 8(c) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1818(c)) 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 during which such payment stablecoins are outstanding.

1	(B) First tier.—Except as provided in
2	subparagraph (A), a permitted payment
3	stablecoin issuer or institution-affiliated party
4	of such permitted payment stablecoin issuer
5	that materially violates this Act or any regula-
6	tion or order issued under this Act, or that ma-
7	terially violates any condition imposed in writ-
8	ing by the primary Federal payment stablecoin
9	regulator in connection with a written agree-
10	ment entered into between the permitted pay-
11	ment stablecoin issuer and the primary Federal
12	payment stablecoin regulator, shall be liable for
13	a civil penalty of up to \$100,000 for each day
14	during which the violation continues.
15	(C) Second Tier.—Except as provided in
16	subparagraph (A), and in addition to the pen-
17	alties described under subparagraph (B), a per-
18	mitted payment stablecoin issuer or institution-
19	affiliated party of such permitted payment
20	stablecoin issuer who knowingly participates in
21	a violation of any provision of this Act, or any
22	regulation or order issued thereunder, is liable
23	for a civil penalty of up to an additional
24	\$100,000 for each day during which the viola-
25	tion continues.

1	(D) Procedure.—Any penalty imposed
2	under this paragraph may be assessed and col-
3	lected by the primary Federal payment
4	stablecoin regulator pursuant to the procedures
5	set forth in section 8(i)(2) of the Federal De-
6	posit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1818(i)(2)).
7	(E) Notice and orders after separa-
8	TION FROM SERVICE.—The resignation, termi-
9	nation of employment or participation, or sepa-
10	ration of an institution-affiliated party (includ-
11	ing a separation caused by the closing of a per-
12	mitted payment stablecoin issuer) shall not af-
13	fect the jurisdiction and authority of the pri-
14	mary Federal payment stablecoin regulator to
15	issue any notice or order and proceed under
16	this subsection against any such party, if such
17	notice or order is served before the end of the
18	6-year period beginning on the date such party
19	ceased to be an institution-affiliated party with
20	respect to such permitted payment stablecoin
21	issuer.
22	(6) Non-applicability to a state quali-
23	FIED PAYMENT STABLECOIN ISSUER.—This sub-
24	section shall not apply to a State qualified payment

- 1 stablecoin issuer, except in exigent circumstances, as
- 2 described in section 7(e).

3 SEC. 7. STATE QUALIFIED PAYMENT STABLECOIN ISSUERS.

- 4 (a) In General.—With respect to a State, a State
- 5 payment stablecoin regulator shall have supervisory, ex-
- 6 amination, and enforcement authority over a State quali-
- 7 fied payment stablecoin issuer of such State.
- 8 (b) Authority to Enter Into Agreements.—A
- 9 State payment stablecoin regulator may enter into a
- 10 memorandum of understanding with the Board and Comp-
- 11 troller under which the Board and Comptroller may par-
- 12 ticipate in the supervision, examination, and enforcement
- 13 authority with respect to the State qualified payment
- 14 stablecoin issuers of such State.
- 15 (c) Sharing of Information.—A State payment
- 16 stablecoin regulator, the Comptroller, the Board, the Cor-
- 17 poration, and the National Credit Union Administration
- 18 shall share information on an ongoing basis with respect
- 19 to each State qualified payment stablecoin issuer of such
- 20 State, including a copy of all initial applications and any
- 21 accompanying documents.
- 22 (d) Rulemaking.—A State payment stablecoin regu-
- 23 lator may issue orders and rules under section 4 applicable
- 24 to State qualified payment stablecoin issuers to the same
- 25 extent as the primary Federal payment stablecoin regu-

1	lators issue orders and rules under section 4 applicable
2	to permitted payment stablecoin issuers that are not a
3	State qualified payment stablecoin issuers.
4	(e) Enforcement Authority in Exigent Cir-
5	CUMSTANCES.—
6	(1) By the primary federal banking agen-
7	CY.—
8	(A) In general.—Subject to subpara-
9	graph (C), in exigent circumstances, the pri-
10	mary Federal banking agency may, after not
11	less than 5 days prior written notice to the ap-
12	plicable State payment stablecoin regulator,
13	take an enforcement action against a State
14	qualified payment stablecoin issuer that is a
15	subsidiary of an insured depository institution
16	or an institution-affiliated party thereof for vio-
17	lations of this Act that are exigent in nature.
18	(B) RULEMAKING.—Not later than the end
19	of the 180-day period beginning on the date of
20	enactment of this Act, the primary Federal
21	banking agency shall issue rules to set forth
22	those exigent circumstances in which the pri-
23	mary Federal banking agency may act under
24	this paragraph.

1	(C) Imposition of restrictions.—If the
2	primary Federal banking agency determines
3	that there is reasonable cause to believe that
4	the continuation of any activity by a State
5	qualified payment stablecoin issuer that is a
6	subsidiary of an insured depository institution
7	constitutes a violation of this Act, the primary
8	Federal banking agency may impose such re-
9	strictions as the primary Federal banking agen-
10	cy determines to be necessary to address such
11	activity.
12	(D) Exigent authority under section
13	6(b).—Solely for purposes of carrying out this
14	paragraph, section 6(b) shall apply to a State
15	qualified payment stablecoin issuer that is a
16	subsidiary of an insured depository institution
17	as if the primary Federal banking agency were
18	the primary Federal payment stablecoin regu-
19	lator with respect to the State qualified pay-
20	ment stablecoin issuer.
21	(E) Primary federal banking agency
22	DEFINED.—In this paragraph, the term "pri-
23	mary Federal banking agency" means—
24	(i) the appropriate Federal banking
25	agency; and

1	(ii) the National Credit Union Admin-
2	istration, in the case of an insured credit
3	union.
4	(2) By the comptroller.—
5	(A) In General.—Subject to paragraph
6	(C), in exigent circumstances, the Comptroller
7	shall, after not less than 5 days prior written
8	notice to the applicable State payment
9	stablecoin regulator, take an enforcement action
10	against a State qualified payment stablecoin
11	issuer that is a nonbank entity or an institu-
12	tion-affiliated party thereof for violations of this
13	Act.
14	(B) RULEMAKING.—Not later than the end
15	of the 180-day period beginning on the date of
16	enactment of this Act, the Comptroller shall
17	issue rules to set forth those exigent cir-
18	cumstances in which the Comptroller may act
19	under this paragraph.
20	(C) LIMITATIONS.—If the Comptroller de-
21	termines that there is reasonable cause to be-
22	lieve that the continuation of any activity by a
23	State qualified payment stablecoin issuer that is
24	a nonbank entity constitutes a violation of this
25	Act, the Comptroller shall impose such restric-

1	tions as the Comptroller determines to be nec-
2	essary to address such activity.
3	(D) Exigent authority under section
4	6(b).—Solely for purposes of carrying out this
5	paragraph, section 6(b) shall apply to a State
6	qualified payment stablecoin issuer that is a
7	nonbank entity as if the Comptroller were the
8	primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator
9	with respect to the State qualified payment
10	stablecoin issuer.
11	(f) Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act.—For purposes of
12	title V of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (15 U.S.C. 6801
13	et seq.) a State qualified payment stablecoin issuer is
14	deemed a financial institution.
15	(g) Effect on State Law.—The provisions of this
16	section do not preempt any law of a State and do not su-
17	persede any State licensing requirement.
18	SEC. 8. CUSTOMER PROTECTION.
19	(a) In General.—A person may only engage in the
20	business of providing custodial or safekeeping services for
21	permitted payment stablecoins or private keys of per-
22	mitted payment stablecoins, if the person—
23	(1) is subject to—
24	(A) supervision or regulation by a primary
25	Federal payment stablecoin regulator or a pri-

1	mary financial regulatory agency described
2	under subparagraph (B) or (C) of section 2(12)
3	of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and
4	Consumer Protection Act (12 U.S.C.
5	5301(12)); or
6	(B) supervision by a State bank super-
7	visor, as defined in section 3 of the Federal De-
8	posit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813) or a
9	State credit union supervisor, as defined in sec-
10	tion 6003 of the Anti-Money Laundering Act of
11	2020 (31 U.S.C. 5311 note), and such State
12	bank supervisor or State credit union supervisor
13	makes available to the Board such information
14	as the Board determines necessary and relevant
15	to the categories of information under sub-
16	section (d); and
17	(2) complies with the segregation requirements
18	under subsections (b), (c), and (d), unless such per-
19	son complies with similar requirements as required
20	by a primary Federal payment stablecoin regulator,
21	the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the
22	Commodity Futures Trading Commission, as appli-
23	cable.
24	(b) Customer Property Requirements.—A per-
25	son described in subsection (a) shall—

1	(1) treat and deal with the payment stablecoins,
2	private keys, cash, and other property of another
3	person for whom or on whose behalf the person re-
4	ceives, acquires, or holds payment stablecoins, pri-
5	vate keys, cash, and other property (hereinafter in
6	this section referred to as the "customer") as be-
7	longing to such customer and not as the property of
8	such person; and
9	(2) take such steps as are appropriate to pro-
10	tect the payment stablecoins, private keys, cash, and
11	other property of a customer from the claims of
12	creditors of the person.
13	(c) Commingling Prohibited.—
14	(1) In general.—Payment stablecoins, cash,
15	and other property of a customer shall be separately
16	accounted for by a person described in subsection
17	(a) and shall not be commingled with the funds of
18	the person.
19	(2) Customer priority.—The claims of a cus-
20	tomer with respect to property of the customer shall
21	have priority over the claims of a payment stablecoin
22	issuer or any creditor of a payment stablecoin issuer
23	unless the customer expressly consents otherwise.
24	(3) Exception.—Notwithstanding paragraph
25	(1)—

1	(A) the payment stablecoins, cash, and
2	other property of a customer may be commin-
3	gled and deposited in an omnibus account hold-
4	ing the payment stablecoins, cash, and other
5	property of more than 1 customer at an insured
6	depository institution;
7	(B) such share of the payment stablecoins,
8	cash, and other property of the customer that
9	shall be necessary to transfer, adjust, or settle
10	a transaction or transfer of assets may be with-
11	drawn and applied to such purposes, including
12	the payment of commissions, taxes, storage,
13	and other charges lawfully accruing in connec-
14	tion with the provision of services by a person
15	described in subsection (a); and
16	(C) in accordance with such terms and
17	conditions as the Board may prescribe by rule,
18	regulation, or order, any customer payment
19	stablecoin, cash, and other property described
20	in this subsection may be commingled and de-
21	posited in customer accounts with payment
22	stablecoins, cash, and other property received
23	by the person and required by the Board to be
24	separately accounted for, treated, and dealt
25	with as belonging to customers.

1	(d) REGULATORY INFORMATION.—A person de-
2	scribed under subsection (a) shall submit to the primary
3	Federal payment stablecoin regulator (or, if the person
4	does not have a primary Federal payment stablecoin regu-
5	lator, to the Board) information concerning the person's
6	business operations and processes to protect customer
7	payment stablecoins, cash, and other property, in such
8	form and manner as the primary Federal payment
9	stablecoin regulator (or, if the person does not have a pri-
10	mary Federal payment stablecoin regulator, the Board)
11	shall determine.
12	(e) Exclusion.—The requirements of this section
13	shall not apply to any person solely on the basis that such
14	person engages in the business of providing hardware or
15	software to facilitate a customer's own custody or safe-
16	keeping of the customer's payment stablecoins or private
17	keys.
18	SEC. 9. INTEROPERABILITY STANDARDS.
19	The primary Federal payment stablecoin regulators,
20	in consultation with the National Institute of Standards
21	and Technology, other relevant standard setting organiza-
22	tions, and State governments—
23	(1) shall assess compatibility and interoper-
24	ability standards for payment stablecoin issuers; and

1	(2) if necessary, may, pursuant to section 553
2	of title 5 and in a manner consistent with the Na-
3	tional Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of
4	1995 (Public Law 104–113), prescribe standards for
5	payment stablecoin issuers to promote compatibility
6	and interoperability.
7	SEC. 10. MORATORIUM ON ENDOGENOUSLY
8	COLLATERALIZED STABLECOINS.
9	(a) Moratorium.—During the 2-year period begin-
10	ning on the date of enactment of this Act, it shall be un-
11	lawful to issue, create, or originate an endogenously
12	collateralized stablecoin not in existence on the date of en-
13	actment of this Act.
14	(b) Endogenously Collateralized Stablecoin
15	Defined.—In this section, the term "endogenously
16	collateralized stablecoin" means any digital asset—
17	(1) in which its issuer has represented will be
18	converted, redeemed, or repurchased for a fixed
19	amount of monetary value; and
20	(2) that relies solely on the value of another
21	digital asset created or maintained by the same
22	originator to maintain the fixed price.
23	SEC. 11. STUDY ON NON-PAYMENT STABLECOINS.
24	(a) Study by Treasury.—

1	(1) Study.—The Secretary of the Treasury, in
2	consultation with the Board, the Comptroller, the
3	Corporation, and the Securities and Exchange Com-
4	mission, shall carry out a study of non-payment
5	stablecoins, including decentralized stablecoins.
6	(2) Report.—Not later than 365 days after
7	the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
8	shall provide to the Committee on Financial Services
9	of the House of Representatives and the Committee
10	on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the Sen-
11	ate a report that contains all findings made in car-
12	rying out the study under paragraph (1), including
13	an analysis of—
14	(A) the categories of non-payment
15	stablecoins, including the benefits and risks of
16	technological design features;
17	(B) the participants in non-payment
18	stablecoin arrangements;
19	(C) utilization and potential utilization of
20	non-payment stablecoins;
21	(D) nature of reserve compositions;
22	(E) governance structure, including as-
23	pects of decentralization;
24	(F) nature of public promotion and adver-
25	tising; and

1	(G) clarity and availability of consumer no-
2	tices disclosures.
3	SEC. 12. REPORT ON RULEMAKING STATUS.
4	Not later than 6 months after the date of enactment
5	of this Act, the primary Federal payment stablecoin regu-
6	lators shall provide a status update on the development
7	of the rulemaking under this Act to the Committee on Fi-
8	nancial Services of the House of Representatives and the
9	Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of
10	the Senate.
11	SEC. 13. AUTHORITY OF BANKING INSTITUTIONS.
12	(a) Rule of Construction.—Nothing in this Act
13	may be construed to limit the authority of a depository
14	institution, Federal credit union, or State credit union to
15	engage in activities permissible pursuant to applicable
16	State and Federal law, including—
17	(1) accepting or receiving deposits and issuing
18	digital assets that represent deposits;
19	(2) utilizing a distributed ledger for the books
20	and records of the entity and to affect intrabank
21	transfers; and
22	(3) providing custodial services for payment
23	stablecoins, private keys of payment stablecoins, or
24	reserves backing payment stablecoins.

1	(b) Treatment of Custody Activities.—The ap-
2	propriate Federal banking agency, the National Credit
3	Union Administration (in the case of a credit union), and
4	the Securities and Exchange Commission may not require
5	a depository institution, national bank, Federal credit
6	union, or State credit union, or any affiliate thereof—
7	(1) to include assets held in custody as a liabil-
8	ity on any financial statement or balance sheet, in-
9	cluding payment stablecoin custody or safekeeping
10	activities;
11	(2) to hold additional regulatory capital against
12	assets in custody or safekeeping, except as necessary
13	to mitigate against operational risks inherent with
14	the custody or safekeeping services, as determined
15	by—
16	(A) the appropriate Federal banking agen-
17	cy;
18	(B) the National Credit Union Administra-
19	tion (in the case of a credit union);
20	(C) a State bank supervisor (as defined in
21	section 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act
22	(12 U.S.C. 1813)); or
23	(D) a State credit union supervisor (as de-
24	fined in section 6003 of the Anti-Money Laun-
25	dering Act of 2020 (31 U.S.C. 5311 note));

1	(3) to recognize a liability for any obligations
2	related to activities or services performed for digital
3	assets that the entity does not own if that liability
4	would exceed the expense recognized in the income
5	statement as a result of the corresponding obliga-
6	tion.
7	(c) Definitions.—In this section:
8	(1) Depository institution.—The terms
9	"depository institution" has the meaning given that
10	term in section 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance
11	Act (12 U.S.C. 1813).
12	(2) Credit union terms.—The terms "Fed-
13	eral credit union" and "State credit union" have the
14	meaning given those terms, respectively, under sec-
15	tion 101 of the Federal Credit Union Act.
16	SEC. 14. AMENDMENTS TO CLARIFY THAT PAYMENT
17	STABLECOINS ARE NOT SECURITIES.
18	(a) Investment Advisers Act of 1940.—Section
19	202(a)(18) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15
20	U.S.C. 80b-2(a)(18)) is amended by adding at the end
21	the following: "The term 'security' does not include a pay-
22	ment stablecoin issued by a permitted payment stablecoin
23	issuer, as such terms are defined, respectively, in section
2/1	2 of the STABLE Act of 2025.".

1	(b) Investment Company Act of 1940.—The In-
2	vestment Company Act of 1940 is amended—
3	(1) in section 2(a)(36) (15 U.S.C. 80a-
4	2(a)(36)), by adding at the end the following: "The
5	term 'security' does not include a payment stablecoin
6	issued by a permitted payment stablecoin issuer, as
7	such terms are defined, respectively, in section 2 of
8	the STABLE Act of 2025."; and
9	(2) in section 3(e) (15 U.S.C. 80a-3(e)), by
10	adding at the end the following:
11	"(15) Any permitted payment stablecoin issuer,
12	as such term is defined in section 2 of the STABLE
13	Act of 2025.".
14	(c) Securities Act of 1933.—Section 2(a)(1) of
15	the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77b(a)(1)) is
16	amended by adding at the end the following: "The term
17	'security' does not include a payment stablecoin issued by
18	a permitted payment stablecoin issuer, as such terms are
19	defined, respectively, in section 2 of the STABLE Act of
20	2025.".
21	(d) Securities Exchange Act of 1934.—Section
22	3(a)(10) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15
23	U.S.C. $78c(a)(10)$) is amended by adding at the end the
24	following: "The term 'security' does not include a payment
25	stablecoin issued by a permitted payment stablecoin

- 1 issuer, as such terms are defined, respectively, in section
- 2 2 of the STABLE Act of 2025.".
- 3 (e) Securities Investor Protection Act of
- 4 1970.—Section 16(14) of the Securities Investor Protec-
- 5 tion Act of 1970 (15 U.S.C. 78lll(14)) is amended by add-
- 6 ing at the end the following: "The term 'security' does
- 7 not include a payment stablecoin issued by a permitted
- 8 payment stablecoin issuer, as such terms are defined, re-
- 9 spectively, in section 2 of the STABLE Act of 2025.".
- 10 SEC. 15. RECIPROCITY FOR STABLECOINS ISSUED IN OVER-
- 11 SEAS JURISDICTIONS.
- 12 The Board, in collaboration with the Secretary of the
- 13 Treasury, shall create and implement reciprocal arrange-
- 14 ments or other bilateral agreements between the United
- 15 States and jurisdictions with substantially similar pay-
- 16 ment stablecoin regulatory regimes to facilitate inter-
- 17 national transactions and interoperability with any United
- 18 States dollar-denominated stablecoins issued overseas.