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AN ACT CONCERNING THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE RECEIVERSHIP ACT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2020) Sections 1 to 28, inclusive,
- 2 of this act, may be cited as the Uniform Commercial Real Estate
- 3 Receivership Act.
- 4 Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2020) As used in sections 1 to 28,
- 5 inclusive, of this act:
- 6 (1) "Affiliate" means:
- 7 (A) With respect to an individual:
- 8 (i) A companion of the individual;
- 9 (ii) A lineal ancestor or descendant, whether by blood or adoption, of
- 10 (I) the individual; or (II) a companion of the individual;
- 11 (iii) A companion of an ancestor or descendant described in
- 12 subparagraph (A)(ii) of this subdivision;

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- 13 (iv) A sibling, aunt, uncle, great aunt, great uncle, first cousin, niece,
- 14 nephew, grandniece or grandnephew of the individual, whether related
- by the whole or the half blood or adoption, or a companion of any of
- 16 them; or
- 17 (v) Any other individual occupying the residence of the individual;
- 18 and
- 19 (B) With respect to a person other than an individual:
- 20 (i) Another person that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled
- 21 by, or is under common control with the person;
- 22 (ii) An officer, director, manager, member, partner, employee or
- 23 trustee or other fiduciary of the person; or
- 24 (iii) A companion of, or an individual occupying the residence of, an
- 25 individual described in subparagraph (B)(i) or (B)(ii) of this subdivision.
- 26 (2) "Companion" means the spouse of an individual.
- 27 (3) "Court" means the Superior Court.
- 28 (4) "Executory contract" means a contract, including a lease, under
- 29 which each party has an unperformed obligation and the failure of a
- 30 party to complete performance would constitute a material breach.
- 31 (5) "Governmental unit" means an office, department, division,
- 32 bureau, board, commission or other agency of this state or a subdivision
- of this state.
- 34 (6) "Lien" means an interest in property which secures payment or
- 35 performance of an obligation.
- 36 (7) "Mortgage" means a record, however denominated, that creates or
- 37 provides for a consensual lien on real property or rents, even if the
- 38 record also creates or provides for a lien on personal property.

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- 39 (8) "Mortgagee" means a person entitled to enforce an obligation 40 secured by a mortgage.
- 41 (9) "Mortgagor" means a person that grants a mortgage or a successor 42 in ownership of the real property described in the mortgage.
- 43 (10) "Owner" means the person for whose property a receiver is 44 appointed.
- 45 (11) "Person" means an individual, estate, business or nonprofit 46 entity, public corporation, government or governmental subdivision, 47 agency, instrumentality or other legal entity.
- 48 (12) "Proceeds" means the following property:
- 49 (A) Whatever is acquired on the sale, lease, license, exchange or other 50 disposition of receivership property;
- 51 (B) Whatever is collected on, or distributed on account of, 52 receivership property;
- 53 (C) Rights arising out of receivership property;

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- (D) To the extent of the value of receivership property, claims arising out of the loss, nonconformity or interference with the use of, defects or infringement of rights in, or damage to, the property; or
 - (E) To the extent of the value of receivership property and to the extent payable to the owner or mortgagee, insurance payable by reason of the loss or nonconformity of, defects or infringement of rights in, or damage to, the property.
- (13) "Property" means all of a person's right, title and interest, both legal and equitable, in real and personal property, tangible and intangible, wherever located and however acquired. "Property" includes proceeds, products, offspring, rents or profits of or from the property.
- 65 (14) "Receiver" means a person appointed by the court as the court's

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- 66 agent, and subject to the court's direction, to take possession of, manage
- and, if authorized by sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act or court order,
- 68 transfer, sell, lease, license, exchange, collect or otherwise dispose of
- 69 receivership property.
- 70 (15) "Receivership" means a proceeding in which a receiver is 71 appointed.
- 72 (16) "Receivership property" means the property of an owner which
- 73 is described in the order appointing a receiver or a subsequent order.
- 74 "Receivership property" includes any proceeds, products, offspring,
- 75 rents or profits of or from the property.
- 76 (17) "Record", used as a noun, means information that is inscribed on
- a tangible medium or that is stored on an electronic or other medium
- and is retrievable in perceivable form.
- 79 (18) "Rents" means:
- 80 (A) Sums payable for the right to possess or occupy, or for the actual
- 81 possession or occupation of, real property of another person;
- 82 (B) Sums payable to a mortgagor under a policy of rental-interruption
- 83 insurance covering real property;
- 84 (C) Claims arising out of a default in the payment of sums payable 85 for the right to possess or occupy real property of another person;
- 86 (D) Sums payable to terminate an agreement to possess or occupy 87 real property of another person;
- 88 (E) Sums payable to a mortgagor for payment or reimbursement of 89 expenses incurred in owning, operating and maintaining real property 90 or constructing or installing improvements on real property; or
- 91 (F) Other sums payable under an agreement relating to the real 92 property of another person which constitute rents under the law of this

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- 93 state other than sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act.
- 94 (19) "Secured obligation" means an obligation the payment or 95 performance of which is secured by a security agreement.
- 96 (20) "Security agreement" means an agreement that creates or provides for a lien.
- 98 (21) "Sign" means, with present intent to authenticate or adopt a record:
- (A) To execute or adopt a tangible symbol; or
- 101 (B) To attach to or logically associate with the record an electronic sound, symbol or process.
- 103 (22) "State" means a state of the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands or any territory or insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.
- Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the court may issue an order under sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act only after notice and an opportunity for a hearing that the court deems appropriate in the circumstances.
- 110 (b) The court may issue an order under sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of 111 this act:
- 112 (1) Without prior notice if the circumstances require issuance of an 113 order before notice is given;
- 114 (2) After notice and without a prior hearing if the circumstances 115 require issuance of an order before a hearing is held; or
- 116 (3) After notice and without a hearing if no interested party timely requests a hearing.
- 118 Sec. 4. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2020) (a) Except as provided in

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- subsection (b) or (c) of this section, sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act apply to a receivership for an interest in real property and any personal property related to or used in operating the real property.
- (b) Sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act do not apply to a receivership for an interest in real property improved by one to four dwelling units unless:
- 125 (1) The interest is used for agricultural, commercial, industrial or 126 mineral-extraction purposes, other than incidental uses by an owner 127 occupying the property as the owner's primary residence;
- 128 (2) The interest secures an obligation incurred at a time when the 129 property was used or planned for use for agricultural, commercial, 130 industrial or mineral-extraction purposes;
- 131 (3) The owner planned or is planning to develop the property into 132 one or more dwelling units to be sold or leased in the ordinary course 133 of the owner's business; or
- 134 (4) The owner is collecting or has the right to collect rents or other 135 income from the property from a person other than an affiliate of the 136 owner.
- 137 (c) Sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act do not apply to a receivership 138 authorized by the law of this state other than sections 1 to 28, inclusive, 139 of this act in which the receiver is a governmental unit or an individual 140 acting in an official capacity on behalf of the governmental unit.
- (d) Sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act do not limit the authority of a court to appoint a receiver under the law of this state other than sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act.
- (e) Unless displaced by a particular provision of sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act, the principles of law and equity supplement sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act.

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- 147 Sec. 5. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2020) The court that appoints a
- 148 receiver under sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act has exclusive
- jurisdiction to direct the receiver and determine any controversy related
- to the receivership or receivership property.
- 151 Sec. 6. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2020) (a) The court may appoint a
- 152 receiver:
- 153 (1) Before judgment, to protect a party that demonstrates an apparent
- right, title or interest in real property that is the subject of the action, if
- the property or its revenue-producing potential:
- 156 (A) Is being subjected to or is in danger of waste, loss, dissipation or
- 157 impairment; or
- (B) Has been or is about to be the subject of a voidable transaction;
- 159 (2) After judgment:
- 160 (A) To carry the judgment into effect; or
- (B) To preserve nonexempt real property pending appeal or when an
- 162 execution has been returned unsatisfied and the owner refuses to apply
- the property in satisfaction of the judgment; or
- 164 (3) In an action in which a receiver for real property may be appointed
- on equitable grounds.
- 166 (b) In connection with the foreclosure or other enforcement of a
- mortgage, a mortgagee is entitled to appointment of a receiver for the
- 168 mortgaged property if:
- (1) Appointment is necessary to protect the property from waste, loss,
- transfer, dissipation or impairment;
- 171 (2) The mortgagor agreed in a signed record to appointment of a
- 172 receiver on default;

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- 173 (3) The owner agreed, after default and in a signed record, to appointment of a receiver;
- 175 (4) The property and any other collateral held by the mortgagee are 176 not sufficient to satisfy the secured obligation;
- 177 (5) The owner fails to turn over to the mortgagee proceeds or rents 178 the mortgagee was entitled to collect; or
- (6) The holder of a subordinate lien obtains appointment of a receiverfor the property.
- 181 (c) The court may condition appointment of a receiver without prior 182 notice under subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 3 of this act or 183 without a prior hearing under subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 184 3 of this act on the giving of security by the person seeking the 185 appointment for the payment of damages, reasonable attorneys' fees 186 and costs incurred or suffered by any person if the court later concludes 187 that the appointment was not justified. If the court later concludes that 188 the appointment was justified, the court shall release the security.
- Sec. 7. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) The court may not appoint a person as receiver unless the person submits to the court a statement under penalty of perjury that the person is not disqualified.
- 192 (b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, a person is 193 disqualified from appointment as receiver if the person:
- 194 (1) Is an affiliate of a party;
- 195 (2) Has an interest materially adverse to an interest of a party;
- (3) Has a material financial interest in the outcome of the action, otherthan compensation the court may allow the receiver;
- 198 (4) Has a debtor-creditor relationship with a party; or
- 199 (5) Holds an equity interest in a party, other than a noncontrolling

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- 200 interest in a publicly traded company.
- (c) A person is not disqualified from appointment as receiver solely because the person:
- 203 (1) Was appointed receiver or is owed compensation in an unrelated 204 matter involving a party or was engaged by a party in a matter unrelated 205 to the receivership;
- 206 (2) Is an individual obligated to a party on a debt that is not in default 207 and was incurred primarily for personal, family or household purposes; 208 or
- 209 (3) Maintains with a party a deposit account, as defined in subdivision (29) of subsection (a) of section 42a-9-102 of the general statutes.
- 212 (d) A person seeking appointment of a receiver may nominate a 213 person to serve as receiver, but the court is not bound by the 214 nomination.
- Sec. 8. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a receiver shall post with the court a bond that:
- 218 (1) Is conditioned on the faithful discharge of the receiver's duties;
- 219 (2) Has one or more sureties approved by the court;
- 220 (3) Is in an amount the court specifies; and
- 221 (4) Is effective as of the date of the receiver's appointment.
- (b) The court may approve the posting by a receiver with the court of alternative security such as a letter of credit or deposit of funds. The receiver may not use receivership property as alternative security. Interest that accrues on deposited funds must be paid to the receiver on

the receiver's discharge.

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- (c) The court may authorize a receiver to act before the receiver posts the bond or alternative security required by this section.
- (d) A claim against a receiver's bond or alternative security must be made not later than one year after the date the receiver is discharged.
- Sec. 9. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) On appointment of a receiver, the receiver has the status of a lien creditor under:
- 233 (1) Article 9 of title 42a of the general statutes as to receivership 234 property that is personal property or fixtures; and
- 235 (2) Any provision of the general statutes that provides for filing on 236 the land records of a town a certificate as to receivership property that 237 is real property.
- Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) Except as provided by the law of this state other than sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act, property that a receiver or owner acquires after appointment of the receiver is subject to a security agreement entered into before the appointment to the same extent as if the court had not appointed the receiver.
- Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) Unless the court orders otherwise, on demand by a receiver:
- 245 (1) A person that owes a debt that is receivership property and is 246 matured or payable on demand or on order shall pay the debt to or on 247 the order of the receiver, except to the extent the debt is subject to setoff 248 or recoupment; and
- 249 (2) Subject to subsection (c) of this section, a person that has 250 possession, custody or control of receivership property shall turn the 251 property over to the receiver.
- 252 (b) A person that has notice of the appointment of a receiver and owes 253 a debt that is receivership property may not satisfy the debt by payment 254 to the owner.

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- (c) If a creditor has possession, custody or control of receivership property and the validity, perfection or priority of the creditor's lien on the property depends on the creditor's possession, custody or control, the creditor may retain possession, custody or control until the court orders adequate protection of the creditor's lien.
 - (d) Unless a bona fide dispute exists about a receiver's right to possession, custody or control of receivership property, the court may sanction as civil contempt a person's failure to turn the property over when required by this section.

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- Sec. 12. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) Except as limited by court order or law of this state other than sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act, a receiver may:
- 267 (1) Collect, control, manage, conserve and protect receivership 268 property;
- (2) Operate a business constituting receivership property, including
 preservation, use, sale, lease, license, exchange, collection or disposition
 of the property in the ordinary course of business;
 - (3) In the ordinary course of business, incur unsecured debt and pay expenses incidental to the receiver's preservation, use, sale, lease, license, exchange, collection or disposition of receivership property;
- (4) Assert a right, claim, cause of action or defense of the owner which
 relates to receivership property;
- 277 (5) Seek and obtain instruction from the court concerning 278 receivership property, exercise of the receiver's powers and 279 performance of the receiver's duties;
- (6) On subpoena, compel a person to submit to examination under oath, or to produce and permit inspection and copying of designated records or tangible things, with respect to receivership property or any other matter that may affect administration of the receivership;

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- 284 (7) Engage a professional, as provided in section 15 of this act;
- 285 (8) Apply to a court of another state for appointment as ancillary 286 receiver with respect to receivership property located in that state; and
- 287 (9) Exercise any power conferred by court order, sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act or the law of this state other than sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act.
- 290 (b) With court approval, a receiver may:
- 291 (1) Incur debt for the use or benefit of receivership property other 292 than in the ordinary course of business;
- 293 (2) Make improvements to receivership property;
- 294 (3) Use or transfer receivership property other than in the ordinary 295 course of business, as provided in section 16 of this act;
- 296 (4) Adopt or reject an executory contract of the owner, as provided in section 17 of this act;
- 298 (5) Pay compensation to the receiver, as provided in section 21 of this 299 act and to each professional engaged by the receiver, as provided in 300 section 15 of this act;
- (6) Recommend allowance or disallowance of a claim of a creditor, as
 provided in section 20 of this act; and
- 303 (7) Make a distribution of receivership property, as provided in section 20 of this act.
- 305 (c) A receiver shall:
- 306 (1) Prepare and retain appropriate business records, including a 307 record of each receipt, disbursement and disposition of receivership 308 property;

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- 309 (2) Account for receivership property, including the proceeds of a 310 sale, lease, license, exchange, collection or other disposition of the 311 property;
- 312 (3) File on the land records of the town where the real property is 313 located a copy of the order appointing the receiver and, if a legal 314 description of the real property is not included in the order, the legal 315 description;
- 316 (4) Disclose to the court any fact arising during the receivership 317 which would disqualify the receiver under section 7 of this act; and
- 318 (5) Perform any duty imposed by court order, sections 1 to 28, 319 inclusive, of this act or the law of this state other than sections 1 to 28, 320 inclusive, of this act.
- (d) The powers and duties of a receiver may be expanded, modifiedor limited by court order.
- 323 Sec. 13. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2020) (a) An owner shall:
- 324 (1) Assist and cooperate with the receiver in the administration of the 325 receivership and the discharge of the receiver's duties;
- (2) Preserve and turn over to the receiver all receivership property inthe owner's possession, custody or control;
- 328 (3) Identify all records and other information relating to the 329 receivership property, including a password, authorization or other 330 information needed to obtain or maintain access to or control of the 331 receivership property, and make available to the receiver the records 332 and information in the owner's possession, custody or control;

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(4) On subpoena, submit to examination under oath by the receiver concerning the acts, conduct, property, liabilities and financial condition of the owner or any matter relating to the receivership property or the receivership; and

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- 337 (5) Perform any duty imposed by court order, sections 1 to 28, 338 inclusive, of this act or the law of this state other than sections 1 to 28, 339 inclusive, of this act.
- 340 (b) If an owner is a person other than an individual, this section 341 applies to each officer, director, manager, member, partner, trustee or 342 other person exercising or having the power to exercise control over the 343 affairs of the owner.
- 344 (c) If a person knowingly fails to perform a duty imposed by this section, the court may:
- (1) Award the receiver actual damages caused by the person's failure,
 reasonable attorneys' fees and costs; and
- 348 (2) Sanction the failure as civil contempt.
- Sec. 14. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section or ordered by the court, an order appointing a receiver operates as a stay, applicable to all persons, of an act, action or proceeding:
- 353 (1) To obtain possession of, exercise control over or enforce a 354 judgment against receivership property; and
- 355 (2) To enforce a lien against receivership property to the extent the 356 lien secures a claim against the owner which arose before entry of the 357 order.
- (b) Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, the court may enjoin an act, action or proceeding against or relating to receivership property if the injunction is necessary to protect the property or facilitate administration of the receivership.
- 362 (c) A person whose act, action or proceeding is stayed or enjoined 363 under this section may apply to the court for relief from the stay or 364 injunction for cause.

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- 365 (d) An order under subsection (a) or (b) of this section does not operate as a stay or injunction of:
- 367 (1) An act, action or proceeding to foreclose or otherwise enforce a 368 mortgage by the person seeking appointment of the receiver;
- 369 (2) An act, action or proceeding to perfect, or maintain or continue 370 the perfection of, an interest in receivership property;
- 371 (3) Commencement or continuation of a criminal proceeding;
- 372 (4) Commencement or continuation of an action or proceeding, or 373 enforcement of a judgment other than a money judgment in an action or 374 proceeding, by a governmental unit to enforce its police or regulatory 375 power; or
- (5) Establishment by a governmental unit of a tax liability against theowner or receivership property or an appeal of the liability.
- (e) The court may void an act that violates a stay or injunction under this section.
- 380 (f) If a person knowingly violates a stay or injunction under this section, the court may:
- 382 (1) Award actual damages caused by the violation, reasonable 383 attorneys' fees and costs; and
- 384 (2) Sanction the violation as civil contempt.
- Sec. 15. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) With court approval, a receiver may engage an attorney, accountant, appraiser, auctioneer, broker or other professional to assist the receiver in performing a duty or exercising a power of the receiver. The receiver shall disclose to the court:
- 390 (1) The identity and qualifications of the professional;

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- 391 (2) The scope and nature of the proposed engagement;
- 392 (3) Any potential conflict of interest; and
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- (b) A person is not disqualified from engagement under this section solely because of the person's engagement by, representation of, or other relationship with the receiver, a creditor or a party. Sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act do not prevent the receiver from serving in the receivership as an attorney, accountant, auctioneer or broker when authorized by law.
 - (c) A receiver or professional engaged under subsection (a) of this section shall file with the court an itemized statement of the time spent, work performed and billing rate of each person that performed the work and an itemized list of expenses. The receiver shall pay the amount approved by the court.
- Sec. 16. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) In this section, "good faith" means honesty in fact and the observance of reasonable commercial standards of fair dealing.
- 408 (b) With court approval, a receiver may use receivership property 409 other than in the ordinary course of business.
- other than in the ordinary course of business by sale, lease, license, exchange or other disposition. Unless the agreement of sale provides otherwise, a sale under this section is free and clear of a lien of the person that obtained appointment of the receiver, any subordinate lien and any right of redemption, but is subject to a senior lien.
 - (d) A lien on receivership property which is extinguished by a transfer under subsection (c) of this section attaches to the proceeds of the transfer with the same validity, perfection and priority the lien had on the property immediately before the transfer, even if the proceeds

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are not sufficient to satisfy all obligations secured by the lien.

- (e) A transfer under subsection (c) of this section may occur by means other than a public auction sale. A creditor holding a valid lien on the property to be transferred may purchase the property and offset against the purchase price part or all of the allowed amount secured by the lien, if the creditor tenders funds sufficient to satisfy in full the reasonable expenses of transfer and the obligation secured by any senior lien extinguished by the transfer.
- (f) A reversal or modification of an order approving a transfer under subsection (c) of this section does not affect the validity of the transfer to a person that acquired the property in good faith or revive against the person any lien extinguished by the transfer, whether the person knew before the transfer of the request for reversal or modification, unless the court stayed the order before the transfer.
- Sec. 17. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) In this section, "timeshare interest" means an interest having a duration of more than three years which grants its holder the right to use and occupy an accommodation, facility or recreational site, whether improved or not, for a specific period less than a full year during any given year.
- (b) Except as provided in subsection (h) of this section, with court approval, a receiver may adopt or reject an executory contract of the owner relating to receivership property. The court may condition the receiver's adoption and continued performance of the contract on terms appropriate under the circumstances. If the receiver does not request court approval to adopt or reject the contract within a reasonable time after the receiver's appointment, the receiver is deemed to have rejected the contract.
- (c) A receiver's performance of an executory contract before court approval under subsection (b) of this section of its adoption or rejection is not an adoption of the contract and does not preclude the receiver from seeking approval to reject the contract.

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- (d) A provision in an executory contract which requires or permits a forfeiture, modification or termination of the contract because of the appointment of a receiver or the financial condition of the owner does not affect a receiver's power under subsection (b) of this section to adopt the contract.
 - (e) A receiver's right to possess or use receivership property pursuant to an executory contract terminates on rejection of the contract under subsection (b) of this section. Rejection is a breach of the contract effective immediately before appointment of the receiver. A claim for damages for rejection of the contract must be submitted by the later of:
- 461 (1) The time set for submitting a claim in the receivership; or
- 462 (2) Thirty days after the court approves the rejection.

- (f) If at the time a receiver is appointed, the owner has the right to assign an executory contract relating to receivership property under the law of this state other than sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act, the receiver may assign the contract with court approval.
- (g) If a receiver rejects under subsection (b) of this section an executory contract for the sale of receivership property that is real property in possession of the purchaser or a real-property timeshare interest, the purchaser may:
- (1) Treat the rejection as a termination of the contract, and in that case the purchaser has a lien on the property for the recovery of any part of the purchase price the purchaser paid; or
- (2) Retain the purchaser's right to possession under the contract, and in that case the purchaser shall continue to perform all obligations arising under the contract and may offset any damages caused by nonperformance of an obligation of the owner after the date of the rejection, but the purchaser has no right or claim against other receivership property or the receiver on account of the damages.

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- 480 (h) A receiver may not reject an unexpired lease of real property 481 under which the owner is the landlord if:
- 482 (1) The tenant occupies the leased premises as the tenant's primary 483 residence;
- 484 (2) The receiver was appointed at the request of a person other than 485 a mortgagee; or
- 486 (3) The receiver was appointed at the request of a mortgagee and:
- 487 (A) The lease is superior to the lien of the mortgage;
- (B) The tenant has an enforceable agreement with the mortgagee or the holder of a senior lien under which the tenant's occupancy will not be disturbed as long as the tenant performs its obligations under the lease;
- 492 (C) The mortgagee has consented to the lease, either in a signed 493 record or by its failure timely to object that the lease violated the 494 mortgage; or
- (D) The terms of the lease were commercially reasonable at the time the lease was agreed to and the tenant did not know or have reason to know that the lease violated the mortgage.
- Sec. 18. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) A receiver is entitled to all defenses and immunities provided by the law of this state other than sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act for an act or omission within the scope of the receiver's appointment.
- 502 (b) A receiver may be sued personally for an act or omission in 503 administering receivership property only with approval of the court 504 that appointed the receiver.
- Sec. 19. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) A receiver may file or, if ordered by the court, shall file an interim report that includes:

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- 507 (1) The activities of the receiver since appointment or a previous 508 report;
- 509 (2) Receipts and disbursements, including a payment made or proposed to be made to a professional engaged by the receiver;
- 511 (3) Receipts and dispositions of receivership property;
- 512 (4) Fees and expenses of the receiver and, if not filed separately, a 513 request for approval of payment of the fees and expenses; and
- 514 (5) Any other information required by the court.
- Sec. 20. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) Except as provided in subsection (f) of this section, a receiver shall give notice of appointment of the receiver to creditors of the owner by:
- 518 (1) Deposit for delivery through first class mail or other commercially 519 reasonable delivery method to the last-known address of each creditor; 520 and
- 521 (2) Publication as directed by the court.
- 522 (b) Except as provided in subsection (f) of this section, the notice 523 required by subsection (a) of this section must specify the date by which 524 each creditor holding a claim against the owner which arose before 525 appointment of the receiver must submit the claim to the receiver. The 526 date specified must be at least ninety days after the later of notice under 527 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section or last publication under 528 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section. The court may extend 529 the period for submitting the claim. Unless the court orders otherwise, 530 a claim that is not submitted timely is not entitled to a distribution from 531 the receivership.
- (c) A claim submitted by a creditor under this section must:
- 533 (1) State the name and address of the creditor;

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534 (2) State the amount and basis of the claim; 535 (3) Identify any property securing the claim; 536 (4) Be signed by the creditor under penalty of perjury; and 537 (5) Include a copy of any record on which the claim is based. 538 (d) An assignment by a creditor of a claim against the owner is 539 effective against the receiver only if the assignee gives timely notice of 540 the assignment to the receiver in a signed record. 541 (e) At any time before entry of an order approving a receiver's final 542 report, the receiver may file with the court an objection to a claim of a 543 creditor, stating the basis for the objection. The court shall allow or 544 disallow the claim according to the law of this state other than sections 545 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act. 546 (f) If the court concludes that receivership property is likely to be 547 insufficient to satisfy claims of each creditor holding a perfected lien on 548 the property, the court may order that: 549 (1) The receiver need not give notice under subsection (a) of this 550 section of the appointment to all creditors of the owner, but only such 551 creditors as the court directs; and 552 (2) Unsecured creditors need not submit claims under this section. 553 (g) Subject to the provisions of section 21 of this act: 554 (1) A distribution of receivership property to a creditor holding a 555 perfected lien on the property must be made in accordance with the 556 creditor's priority under the law of this state other than sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act; and 557 558 (2) A distribution of receivership property to a creditor with an 559 allowed unsecured claim must be made as the court directs according

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to the law of this state other than sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act.

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Sec. 21. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) The court may award a receiver from receivership property the reasonable and necessary fees and expenses of performing the duties of the receiver and exercising the powers of the receiver.

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- (b) The court may order one or more of the following to pay the reasonable and necessary fees and expenses of the receivership, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs:
- 568 (1) A person that requested the appointment of the receiver, if the 569 receivership does not produce sufficient funds to pay the fees and 570 expenses; or
- 571 (2) A person whose conduct justified or would have justified the 572 appointment of the receiver under subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of 573 section 6 of this act.
- Sec. 22. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) The court may remove a receiver for cause.
- 576 (b) The court shall replace a receiver that dies, resigns or is removed.
 - (c) If the court finds that a receiver that resigns or is removed, or the representative of a receiver that is deceased, has accounted fully for and turned over to the successor receiver all receivership property and has filed a report of all receipts and disbursements during the service of the replaced receiver, the replaced receiver is discharged.
 - (d) The court may discharge a receiver and terminate the court's administration of the receivership property if the court finds that appointment of the receiver was improvident or that the circumstances no longer warrant continuation of the receivership. If the court finds that the appointment was sought wrongfully or in bad faith, the court may assess against the person that sought the appointment:
- 588 (1) The fees and expenses of the receivership, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs; and

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- 590 (2) Actual damages caused by the appointment, including reasonable 591 attorneys' fees and costs.
- Sec. 23. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) On completion of a receiver's duties, the receiver shall file a final report including:
- 594 (1) A description of the activities of the receiver in the conduct of the receivership;
- 596 (2) A list of receivership property at the commencement of the 597 receivership and any receivership property received during the 598 receivership;
- 599 (3) A list of disbursements, including payments to professionals 600 engaged by the receiver;
- 601 (4) A list of dispositions of receivership property;
- 602 (5) A list of distributions made or proposed to be made from the 603 receivership for creditor claims;
- 604 (6) If not filed separately, a request for approval of the payment of 605 fees and expenses of the receiver; and
- 606 (7) Any other information required by the court.
- (b) If the court approves a final report filed under subsection (a) of this section and the receiver distributes all receivership property, the receiver is discharged.
- Sec. 24. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) (a) The court may appoint a receiver appointed in another state, or that person's nominee, as an ancillary receiver with respect to property located in this state or subject to the jurisdiction of the court for which a receiver could be appointed under sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act, if:
- (1) The person or nominee would be eligible to serve as receiver under section 7 of this act; and

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- 617 (2) The appointment furthers the person's possession, custody, 618 control or disposition of property subject to the receivership in the other 619 state.
- (b) The court may issue an order that gives effect to an order enteredin another state appointing or directing a receiver.
- (c) Unless the court orders otherwise, an ancillary receiver appointed under subsection (a) of this section has the rights, powers and duties of a receiver appointed under sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act.
- Sec. 25. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) A request by a mortgagee for appointment of a receiver, the appointment of a receiver or application by a mortgagee of receivership property or proceeds to the secured obligation does not:
- (1) Make the mortgagee a mortgagee in possession of the real property;
- (2) Make the mortgagee an agent of the owner;
- 632 (3) Constitute an election of remedies that precludes a later action to 633 enforce the secured obligation;
- (4) Make the secured obligation unenforceable; or
- (5) Limit any right available to the mortgagee with respect to the secured obligation.
- Sec. 26. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) In applying and construing sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act, consideration must be given to the need to promote uniformity of the law with respect to its subject matter among states that enact it.
- Sec. 27. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) Sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act modify, limit and supersede the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, 15 USC 7001 et seq., but do not modify,

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limit or supersede Section 101(c) of said act, 15 USC 7001(c) or authorize electronic delivery of any of the notices described in Section 103(b) of said act, 15 USC 7003(b).

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Sec. 28. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2020*) Sections 1 to 28, inclusive, of this act do not apply to a receivership for which the receiver was appointed before October 1, 2020.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2020	New section
Sec. 2	October 1, 2020	New section
Sec. 3	October 1, 2020	New section
Sec. 4	October 1, 2020	New section
Sec. 5	October 1, 2020	New section
Sec. 6	October 1, 2020	New section
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Sec. 12	October 1, 2020	New section
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Sec. 26	October 1, 2020	New section
Sec. 27	October 1, 2020	New section
Sec. 28	October 1, 2020	New section

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Statement of Purpose:

To adopt the Uniform Commercial Real Estate Receivership Act.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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