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**"AN ACT CONCERNING MONEY TRANSMISSION, MORTGAGE
SERVICERS AND CONSUMER COLLECTION AGENCIES."**

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- 1 In line 177, strike "such applicant" and insert in lieu thereof "was"
 - 2 In line 181, strike "such"
 - 3 In line 182, strike "applicant" and insert in lieu thereof "was"
 - 4 In line 480, strike "transmission" and insert in lieu thereof
 - 5 "transmissions"
 - 6 In line 662, strike "such applicant" and insert in lieu thereof "was"
 - 7 In line 663, after "Commission" and before the comma insert "or, if
 - 8 the licensee is a wholly-owned subsidiary of a publicly-traded
 - 9 company, a copy of the parent company's most recent 10-K report that
 - 10 was filed with said commission"
 - 11 In line 666, strike "such applicant" and insert in lieu thereof "was"

- 12 In line 818, strike "(A)" and after "not" insert "(A)"
- 13 In lines 820 and 824, strike "any" and insert in lieu thereof "a"
- 14 In line 1776, insert an opening bracket before "and" and strike
15 opening bracket before "(E)"
- 16 In line 1781, after "delinquent" insert the following "(vi) a bank or
17 out-of-state bank, as defined in section 36a-2, and (vii) a subsidiary or
18 affiliate of a bank or out-of-state bank, to the extent such affiliate or
19 subsidiary is not primarily engaged in the business of purchasing and
20 collecting upon delinquent debts. For purposes of this subparagraph,
21 "account, bill or other indebtedness" shall not include debt secured by
22 real property."
- 23 In line 1816, after "and" insert "(A)"
- 24 In line 1818, after "state" insert ", or (B) collects from consumer
25 debtors or property tax debtors who reside within this state for such
26 consumer collection agency's own account"
- 27 In line 2052, strike "by the creditor"
- 28 In line 2058, strike "inform" and insert in lieu thereof "provide the
29 following disclosure in type not less than ten-point informing"
- 30 In line 2059, strike "it is"
- 31 In line 2061, strike "1681c, (i)" and insert in lieu thereof "1681c:"
- 32 Strike lines 2062 to 2072, inclusive, in their entirety
- 33 In line 2073, strike "any credit reporting agencies;" and insert the
34 following in lieu thereof:
- 35 "The law limits how long you can be sued on a debt. Because of the
36 age of your debt, (INSERT OWNER NAME) will not sue you for it. If
37 you do not pay the debt, (INSERT OWNER NAME) may report or

38 continue to report it to the credit reporting agencies as unpaid"; and
39 (B) when collecting on debt that is past the date for obsolescence
40 provided for in Section 605(a) of the Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 USC
41 1681c: "The law limits how long you can be sued on a debt. Because of
42 the age of your debt, (INSERT OWNER NAME) will not sue you for it
43 and (INSERT OWNER NAME) will not report it to any credit
44 reporting agencies.";

45 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
46 internal references accordingly:

47 "Sec. 501. Section 8 of substitute house bill 6339 of the current
48 session is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
49 (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

50 An exchange facilitator at all times shall: (1) Maintain an errors and
51 omissions policy of insurance in an amount not less than two hundred
52 fifty thousand dollars executed by an insurer authorized to do
53 business in this state; or (2) deposit an amount of cash or securities [;]
54 or [(3)] provide irrevocable letters of credit in an amount not less than
55 two hundred fifty thousand dollars.

56 Sec. 502. Subsection (a) of section 36a-802 of the general statutes is
57 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
58 *October 1, 2013*):

59 (a) No such license and no renewal thereof shall be granted to a
60 third party consumer collection agency unless the applicant has filed
61 with the commissioner a bond to the people of the state in the penal
62 sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, approved by the Attorney
63 General as to form and by the commissioner as to sufficiency of the
64 security thereof. Such bond shall be conditioned that such licensee
65 shall well, truly and faithfully account for all funds entrusted to the
66 licensee and collected and received by the licensee in the licensee's
67 capacity as a consumer collection agency. Any person who may be
68 damaged by the wrongful conversion of any creditor, consumer debtor

69 or property tax debtor funds received by such consumer collection
70 agency may proceed on such bond against the principal or surety
71 thereon, or both, to recover damages. The commissioner may proceed
72 on such bond against the principal or surety thereon, or both, to collect
73 any civil penalty imposed upon the licensee pursuant to subsection (a)
74 of section 36a-50. The proceeds of the bond, even if commingled with
75 other assets of the licensee, shall be deemed by operation of law to be
76 held in trust for the benefit of such claimants against the licensee in the
77 event of bankruptcy of the licensee and shall be immune from
78 attachment by creditors and judgment creditors. The bond shall run
79 concurrently with the period of the license granted to the applicant,
80 and the aggregate liability under the bond shall not exceed the penal
81 sum of the bond."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	October 1, 2013	HB 6339 (current session), Sec. 8
Sec. 502	October 1, 2013	36a-802(a)