SENATE BILL No. 199

By Senator Holland

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AN ACT concerning financial institutions; relating to the technologyenabled fiduciary financial institutions act; authorizing the state banking board to deny, suspend or revoke the charter of a fiduciary financial institution in certain circumstances; providing procedures therefor; requiring fiduciary financial institutions to purchase a surety bond; establishing a civil money penalty for violations.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) The state banking board, after notice and an opportunity for a hearing in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act, may deny, suspend, revoke or refuse to approve a fiduciary financial institution charter issued pursuant to this act or issue a cease and desist order, if the state banking board finds that:

- (1) The fiduciary financial institution has violated any provision of this act or any rules and regulations adopted or orders lawfully made pursuant to this act;
- (2) facts or conditions exist that would have justified the denial of the charter if such facts or conditions had existed or been known to exist at the time the application for the charter was made;
- (3) the fiduciary financial institution has filed with the commissioner or state banking board any document or statement containing any false representation of a material fact or fails to state a material fact;
- (4) the fiduciary financial institution or any director, officer, employee or agent of the fiduciary financial institution has been convicted of a felony under the laws of Kansas or in any other jurisdiction;
- (5) the fiduciary financial institution has engaged in or is engaging in deceptive business practices;
- (6) the fiduciary financial institution or any director, officer, employee or agent of the fiduciary financial institution has been the subject of any disciplinary action by the commissioner, the state banking board or any other state or federal regulatory agency;
- (7) a final judgment has been entered against the fiduciary financial institution in a civil action and the state banking board finds, based upon the conduct on which the judgment is based, that issuing a charter to such fiduciary financial institution would be contrary to the public interest;
 - (8) the fiduciary financial institution or any director, officer,

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 employee or agent of the fiduciary financial institution has been convicted of engaging in fiduciary financial institution activity without authorization pursuant to K.S.A. 9-2302 or 9-2325, and amendments thereto, or a substantially similar offense in another jurisdiction;

- (9) the fiduciary financial institution has refused to furnish information required by the commissioner or the state banking board within a reasonable period of time as established by the commissioner or the state banking board;
- (10) the fiduciary financial institution failed to pay timely any assessment required by this act or any rules and regulations adopted pursuant to this act; or
- (11) the fiduciary financial institution failed to provide and maintain a surety bond pursuant to section 2, and amendments thereto.
- (b) None of the following actions shall deprive the commissioner or the state banking board of any jurisdiction or right to institute or proceed with any disciplinary proceeding against a fiduciary financial institution to render a decision suspending, revoking or refusing to approve a charter or to establish and make a record of the facts of any violation of law for any lawful purpose:
 - (1) The imposition of an administrative penalty;
- (2) the lapse or suspension of any charter issued under this act by operation of law; or
- (3) the fiduciary financial institution's voluntary surrender of any charter issued under this act.
- (c) Any final order of the state banking board pursuant to this section shall be subject to review in accordance with the Kansas judicial review act.
- (d) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the technology-enabled fiduciary financial institutions act.
- Sec. 2. (a) Each fiduciary financial institution shall purchase a surety bond in an amount equal to 5% of the total assets of such fiduciary financial institution. The determination of total assets shall be based on generally accepted accounting principles. Such surety bond shall be used for, but not limited to:
- (1) Liquidation expenses incurred by the office of the state bank commissioner;
 - (2) payment of fines, fees and penalties; or
- (3) reimbursement of losses or damages incurred by customers of such fiduciary financial institution.
 - (b) The surety bond shall:
- (1) Be issued by a company authorized to do business in this state and not affiliated in any manner with such fiduciary financial institution;
 - (2) be payable to the office of the state bank commissioner;

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(3) be filed with the commissioner; and

- (4) contain a minimum 30-day cancellation or nonrenewal provision.
- (c) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the technology-enabled fiduciary financial institutions act.
- Sec. 3. (a) After providing notice and an opportunity for a hearing in accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act, the commissioner may, with the approval of the state banking board, assess against and collect a civil money penalty from any fiduciary financial institution or any director, officer, employee or agent of the fiduciary financial institution that violates the provisions of this act or any rules and regulations adopted pursuant to this act.
- (b) The amount of the civil money penalty shall be established by the commissioner, with the approval of the state banking board, in rules and regulations, except that such civil money penalty shall be not less than \$5,000 per violation.
- (c) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the technology-enabled fiduciary financial institutions act.
- Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.