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HOUSE BILL NO. 729

1 2 3 4 5	AN ACT TO CREATE THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE RECEIVERSHIP ACT; TO DEFINE CERTAIN TERMS; TO PROVIDE THAT THE ACT APPLIES TO A RECEIVERSHIP FOR AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY AND ANY PERSONAL PROPERTY RELATED TO OR USED IN OPERATING THE REAL PROPERTY AND TO DECLARE EXCLUSIONS FROM THE ACT'S SCOPE; TO
6 7 8 9	PROVIDE THAT MATTERS RELATING TO A RECEIVERSHIP ARE WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE CHANCERY COURTS; TO AUTHORIZE THE CHANCERY COURT TO APPOINT RECEIVERS; TO PRESCRIBE THE DUTIES OF RECEIVERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS; TO REQUIRE RECEIVERS TO FILE A FINAL REPORT WITH THE COURT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
11	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
12	SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. This act may be cited as the
13	"Uniform Commercial Real Estate Receivership Act."
14	SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS. In this act:
15	(1) "Affiliate" means:
16	(A) With respect to an individual:
17	(i) A companion of the individual;
18	(ii) A lineal ancestor or descendant, whether by
19	blood or adoption, of:
20	(I) The individual; or
21	(II) A companion of the individual;

- 22 (iii) A companion of an ancestor or descendant
- 23 described in clause (ii);
- 24 (iv) A sibling, aunt, uncle, great aunt, great
- 25 uncle, first cousin, niece, nephew, grandniece, or grandnephew of
- 26 the individual, whether related by the whole or the half blood or
- 27 adoption, or a companion of any of them; or
- 28 (v) Any other individual occupying the residence
- 29 of the individual; and
- 30 (B) With respect to a person other than an individual:
- 31 (i) Another person that directly or indirectly
- 32 controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with the
- 33 person;
- 34 (ii) An officer, director, manager, member,
- 35 partner, employee, or trustee or other fiduciary of the person; or
- 36 (iii) A companion of, or an individual occupying
- 37 the residence of, an individual described in clause (i) or (ii).
- 38 (2) "Companion" means:
- 39 (A) The spouse of an individual;
- 40 (B) The registered domestic partner of an individual;
- 41 or
- 42 (C) Another individual in a civil union with an
- 43 individual.
- 44 (3) "Court" means the chancery court.
- 45 (4) "Executory contract" means a contract, including a

46 lease, under which each party has an unperformed obligation and

- 47 the failure of a party to complete performance would constitute a
- 48 material breach.
- 49 (5) "Governmental unit" means an office, department,
- 50 division, bureau, board, commission, or other agency of this state
- 51 or a subdivision of this state.
- 52 (6) "Lien" means an interest in property which secures
- 53 payment or performance of an obligation.
- 54 (7) "Mortgage" means a record, however denominated, that
- 55 creates or provides for a consensual lien on real property or
- 56 rents, even if it also creates or provides for a lien on personal
- 57 property.
- 58 (8) "Mortgagee" means a person entitled to enforce an
- 59 obligation secured by a mortgage.
- 60 (9) "Mortgagor" means a person that grants a mortgage or a
- 61 successor in ownership of the real property described in the
- 62 mortgage.
- 63 (10) "Owner" means the person for whose property a receiver
- 64 is appointed.
- 65 (11) "Person" means an individual, estate, business or
- 66 nonprofit entity, public corporation, government or governmental
- 67 subdivision, agency, or instrumentality, or other legal entity.
- 68 (12) "Proceeds" means the following property:
- (A) Whatever is acquired on the sale, lease, license,
- 70 exchange, or other disposition of receivership property;

71 (B)	Whatever	is	collected	on,	or	distributed	on	account
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- 72 of, receivership property;
- 73 (C) Rights arising out of receivership property;
- 74 (D) To the extent of the value of receivership
- 75 property, claims arising out of the loss, nonconformity, or
- 76 interference with the use of, defects or infringement of rights
- 77 in, or damage to the property; or
- 78 (E) To the extent of the value of receivership property
- 79 and to the extent payable to the owner or mortgagee, insurance
- 80 payable by reason of the loss or nonconformity of, defects or
- 81 infringement of rights in, or damage to the property.
- 82 (13) "Property" means all of a person's right, title, and
- 83 interest, both legal and equitable, in real and personal property,
- 84 tangible and intangible, wherever located and however acquired.
- 85 The term includes proceeds, products, offspring, rents, or profits
- 86 of or from the property.
- 87 (14) "Receiver" means a person appointed by the court as the
- 88 court's agent, and subject to the court's direction, to take
- 89 possession of, manage, and, if authorized by this act or court
- 90 order, transfer, sell, lease, license, exchange, collect, or
- 91 otherwise dispose of receivership property.
- 92 (15) "Receivership" means a proceeding in which a receiver
- 93 is appointed.
- 94 (16) "Receivership property" means the property of an owner
- 95 which is described in the order appointing a receiver or a

- 96 subsequent order. The term includes any proceeds, products,
- 97 offspring, rents, or profits of or from the property.
- 98 (17) "Record", used as a noun, means information that is
- 99 inscribed on a tangible medium or that is stored on an electronic
- 100 or other medium and is retrievable in perceivable form.
- 101 (18) "Rents" means:
- 102 (A) Sums payable for the right to possess or occupy, or
- 103 for the actual possession or occupation of, real property of
- 104 another person;
- 105 (B) Sums payable to a mortgagor under a policy of
- 106 rental-interruption insurance covering real property;
- 107 (C) Claims arising out of a default in the payment of
- 108 sums payable for the right to possess or occupy real property of
- 109 another person;
- 110 (D) Sums payable to terminate an agreement to possess
- 111 or occupy real property of another person;
- 112 (E) Sums payable to a mortgagor for payment or
- 113 reimbursement of expenses incurred in owning, operating, and
- 114 maintaining real property or constructing or installing
- improvements on real property; or
- 116 (F) Other sums payable under an agreement relating to
- 117 the real property of another person which constitute rents under
- 118 law of this state other than this act.
- 119 (19) "Secured obligation" means an obligation the payment or
- 120 performance of which is secured by a security agreement.

121	(20)	"Security	agreement"	means	an	agreement	that	creates	or

- 122 provides for a lien.
- 123 (21) "Sign" means, with present intent to authenticate or
- 124 adopt a record:
- 125 (A) To execute or adopt a tangible symbol; or
- 126 (B) To attach to or logically associate with the record
- 127 an electronic sound, symbol, or process.
- 128 (22) "State" means a state of the United States, the
- 129 District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin
- 130 Islands, or any territory or insular possession subject to the
- 131 jurisdiction of the United States.
- 132 **SECTION 3. NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING.** (a) Except
- 133 as otherwise provided in subsection (b), the court may issue an
- 134 order under this act only after notice and opportunity for a
- 135 hearing appropriate in the circumstances.
- 136 (b) The court may issue an order under this act:
- 137 (1) Without prior notice if the circumstances require
- 138 issuance of an order before notice is given;
- 139 (2) After notice and without a prior hearing if the
- 140 circumstances require issuance of an order before a hearing is
- 141 held; or
- 142 (3) After notice and without a hearing if no interested
- 143 party timely requests a hearing.
- 144 **SECTION 4. SCOPE; EXCLUSIONS.** (a) Except as otherwise
- 145 provided in subsection (b) or (c), this act applies to a

146	receivership	for	an	interest	in	real	property	and	any	personal

- 147 property related to or used in operating the real property.
- 148 (b) This act does not apply to a receivership for an
- 149 interest in real property improved by one to four dwelling units
- 150 unless:
- 151 (1) The interest is used for agricultural, commercial,
- 152 industrial, or mineral-extraction purposes, other than incidental
- 153 uses by an owner occupying the property as the owner's primary
- 154 residence;
- 155 (2) The interest secures an obligation incurred at a
- 156 time when the property was used or planned for use for
- 157 agricultural, commercial, industrial, or mineral-extraction
- 158 purposes;
- 159 (3) The owner planned or is planning to develop the
- 160 property into one or more dwelling units to be sold or leased in
- 161 the ordinary course of the owner's business; or
- 162 (4) The owner is collecting or has the right to collect
- 163 rents or other income from the property from a person other than
- 164 an affiliate of the owner.
- 165 (c) This act does not apply to a receivership authorized by
- 166 law of this state other than this act in which the receiver is a
- 167 governmental unit or an individual acting in an official capacity
- 168 on behalf of the unit except to the extent provided by such law.
- 169 (d) This act does not limit the authority of a court to
- 170 appoint a receiver under law of this state other than this act.

171	(e)	Unless	displaced	bу	а	particular	provision	of	this	act,

- 172 the principles of law and equity supplement this act.
- 173 **SECTION 5. POWER OF COURT.** The court that appoints a
- 174 receiver under this act has exclusive jurisdiction to direct the
- 175 receiver and determine any controversy related to the receivership
- 176 or receivership property.
- 177 **SECTION 6. APPOINTMENT OF RECEIVER.** (a) The court may
- 178 appoint a receiver:
- 179 (1) Before judgment, to protect a party that
- 180 demonstrates an apparent right, title, or interest in real
- 181 property that is the subject of the action, if the property or its
- 182 revenue-producing potential:
- 183 (A) Is being subjected to or is in danger of
- 184 waste, loss, dissipation, or impairment; or
- 185 (B) Has been or is about to be the subject of a
- 186 voidable transaction;
- 187 (2) After judgment:
- 188 (A) To carry the judgment into effect; or
- 189 (B) To preserve nonexempt real property pending
- 190 appeal or when an execution has been returned unsatisfied and the
- 191 owner refuses to apply the property in satisfaction of the
- 192 judgment; or
- 193 (3) In an action in which a receiver for real property
- 194 may be appointed on equitable grounds; or

195	(4)	During	the tir	ne allowe	d for	redempt	cion,	to p	preserve	2
196	real property	sold in	an exe	cution or	fore	closure	sale	and	secure	
197	its rents to t	the perso	n enti	tled to t	he re	nts.				

- 198 (b) In connection with the foreclosure or other enforcement
 199 of a mortgage, a mortgagee is entitled to appointment of a
 200 receiver for the mortgaged property if:
- 201 (1) Appointment is necessary to protect the property
 202 from waste, loss, transfer, dissipation, or impairment;
- 203 (2) The mortgagor agreed in a signed record to appointment of a receiver on default;
- 205 (3) The owner agreed, after default and in a signed 206 record, to appointment of a receiver;
- 207 (4) The property and any other collateral held by the 208 mortgagee are not sufficient to satisfy the secured obligation;
- 209 (5) The owner fails to turn over to the mortgagee 210 proceeds or rents the mortgagee was entitled to collect; or
- 211 (6) The holder of a subordinate lien obtains 212 appointment of a receiver for the property.
- 213 (c) The court may condition appointment of a receiver
 214 without prior notice under Section 3(b)(1) or without a prior
 215 hearing under Section 3(b)(2) on the giving of security by the
 216 person seeking the appointment for the payment of damages,
 217 reasonable attorney's fees, and costs incurred or suffered by any
 218 person if the court later concludes that the appointment was not

219	justified.	Ιf	the	court	later	concludes	that	the	appointment	was

- 220 justified, the court shall release the security.
- 221 SECTION 7. DISQUALIFICATION FROM APPOINTMENT AS RECEIVER;
- 222 **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST.** (a) The court may not appoint a person
- 223 as receiver unless the person submits to the court a statement
- 224 under penalty of perjury that the person is not disqualified.
- 225 (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c), a person
- 226 is disqualified from appointment as receiver if the person:
- 227 (1) Is an affiliate of a party;
- 228 (2) Has an interest materially adverse to an interest
- 229 of a party;
- 230 (3) Has a material financial interest in the outcome of
- 231 the action, other than compensation the court may allow the
- 232 receiver;
- 233 (4) Has a debtor-creditor relationship with a party; or
- 234 (5) Holds an equity interest in a party, other than a
- 235 noncontrolling interest in a publicly-traded company.
- 236 (c) A person is not disqualified from appointment as
- 237 receiver solely because the person:
- 238 (1) Was appointed receiver or is owed compensation in
- 239 an unrelated matter involving a party or was engaged by a party in
- 240 a matter unrelated to the receivership;
- 241 (2) Is an individual obligated to a party on a debt
- 242 that is not in default and was incurred primarily for personal,
- 243 family, or household purposes; or

244		(3) Ma	intains	with	а	party	a	deposit	account	as	defined
245	in U.C.C.	Section	9-102(a) (29)							

- 246 (d) A person seeking appointment of a receiver may nominate 247 a person to serve as receiver, but the court is not bound by the 248 nomination.
- 249 <u>SECTION 8.</u> RECEIVER'S BOND; ALTERNATIVE SECURITY. (a)
 250 Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b), a receiver shall
 251 post with the court a bond that:
- 252 (1) Is conditioned on the faithful discharge of the 253 receiver's duties;
- 254 (2) Has one or more sureties approved by the court;
- 255 (3) Is in an amount the court specifies; and
- 256 (4) Is effective as of the date of the receiver's appointment.
- 258 (b) The court may approve the posting by a receiver with the 259 court of alternative security, such as a letter of credit or 260 deposit of funds. The receiver may not use receivership property 261 as alternative security. Interest that accrues on deposited funds 262 must be paid to the receiver on the receiver's discharge.
- 263 (c) The court may authorize a receiver to act before the 264 receiver posts the bond or alternative security required by this 265 section.
- 266 (d) A claim against a receiver's bond or alternative
 267 security must be made not later than one (1) year after the date
 268 the receiver is discharged.

270	appointment of a receiver, the receiver has the status of a lien
271	creditor under:
272	(1) U.C.C. Article 9 as to receivership property that is
273	personal property or fixtures; and
274	(2) Those provisions of law governing the recording of land
275	records as to receivership property that is real property.
276	SECTION 10. SECURITY AGREEMENT COVERING AFTER-ACQUIRED
277	PROPERTY. Except as otherwise provided by law of this state other
278	than this act, property that a receiver or owner acquires after
279	appointment of the receiver is subject to a security agreement
280	entered into before the appointment to the same extent as if the
281	court had not appointed the receiver.
282	SECTION 11. COLLECTION AND TURNOVER OF RECEIVERSHIP
283	PROPERTY. (a) Unless the court orders otherwise, on demand by a
284	receiver:
285	(1) A person that owes a debt that is receivership
286	property and is matured or payable on demand or on order shall pay
287	the debt to or on the order of the receiver, except to the extent
288	the debt is subject to setoff or recoupment; and

(2) Subject to subsection (c), a person that has

possession, custody, or control of receivership property shall

SECTION 9. STATUS OF RECEIVER AS LIEN CREDITOR. On

turn the property over to the receiver.

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292	(b) A person that has notice of the appointment of a
293	receiver and owes a debt that is receivership property may not
294	satisfy the debt by payment to the owner.

- (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.
- 301 (d) Unless a bona fide dispute exists about a receiver's
 302 right to possession, custody, or control of receivership property,
 303 the court may sanction as civil contempt a person's failure to
 304 turn the property over when required by this section.
- 305 <u>SECTION 12.</u> POWERS AND DUTIES OF RECEIVER. (a) Except as
 306 limited by court order or law of this state other than this act, a
 307 receiver may:
- 308 (1) Collect, control, manage, conserve, and protect 309 receivership property;
- 310 (2) Operate a business constituting receivership
 311 property, including preservation, use, sale, lease, license,
 312 exchange, collection, or disposition of the property in the
 313 ordinary course of business;
- 314 (3) In the ordinary course of business, incur unsecured 315 debt and pay expenses incidental to the receiver's preservation,

316	use,	sale,	lease,	license,	exchange,	collection,	or	disposition	of
317	recei	iversh	ip prop	erty;					

- 318 (4) Assert a right, claim, cause of action, or defense 319 of the owner which relates to receivership property;
- 320 (5) Seek and obtain instruction from the court
 321 concerning receivership property, exercise of the receiver's
 322 powers, and performance of the receiver's duties;
- 323 (6) On subpoena, compel a person to submit to
 324 examination under oath, or to produce and permit inspection and
 325 copying of designated records or tangible things, with respect to
 326 receivership property or any other matter that may affect
 327 administration of the receivership;
- 328 (7) Engage a professional as provided in Section 15;
- 329 (8) Apply to a court of another state for appointment 330 as ancillary receiver with respect to receivership property
- 332 (9) Exercise any power conferred by court order, this 333 act, or law of this state other than this act.
- 334 (b) With court approval, a receiver may:

located in that state; and

- 335 (1) Incur debt for the use or benefit of receivership 336 property other than in the ordinary course of business;
- 337 (2) Make improvements to receivership property;
- 338 (3) Use or transfer receivership property other than in the ordinary course of business as provided in Section 16;

340	(4)	Adopt o	r reject	an	executory	contract	of	the	owner
341	as provided in	Section	17:						

- 342 (5) Pay compensation to the receiver as provided in 343 Section 21, and to each professional engaged by the receiver as 344 provided in Section 15;
- 345 (6) Recommend allowance or disallowance of a claim of a 346 creditor as provided in Section 20; and
- 347 (7) Make a distribution of receivership property as 348 provided in Section 20.
- 349 (c) A receiver shall:
- 350 (1) Prepare and retain appropriate business records, 351 including a record of each receipt, disbursement, and disposition 352 of receivership property;
- 353 (2) Account for receivership property, including the 354 proceeds of a sale, lease, license, exchange, collection, or other 355 disposition of the property;
- 356 (3) File with the chancery clerk's office a copy of the 357 order appointing the receiver and, if a legal description of the 358 real property is not included in the order, the legal description;
- 359 (4) Disclose to the court any fact arising during the 360 receivership which would disqualify the receiver under Section 7; 361 and
- 362 (5) Perform any duty imposed by court order, this act, 363 or law of this state other than this act.

364	(d)	The	powers	and	dutie	s of	а	receiver	may	be	expanded,
365	modified,	or	limited	bv	court	ordei	<u>.</u>				

SECTION 13. DUTIES OF OWNER. (a) An owner shall:

- 367 (1) Assist and cooperate with the receiver in the 368 administration of the receivership and the discharge of the 369 receiver's duties;
- 370 (2) Preserve and turn over to the receiver all
 371 receivership property in the owner's possession, custody, or
 372 control;
- 373 (3) Identify all records and other information relating
 374 to the receivership property, including a password, authorization,
 375 or other information needed to obtain or maintain access to or
 376 control of the receivership property, and make available to the
 377 receiver the records and information in the owner's possession,
 378 custody, or control;
- 379 (4) On subpoena, submit to examination under oath by
 380 the receiver concerning the acts, conduct, property, liabilities,
 381 and financial condition of the owner or any matter relating to the
 382 receivership property or the receivership; and
- 383 (5) Perform any duty imposed by court order, this act, or law of this state other than this act.
- 385 (b) If an owner is a person other than an individual, this 386 section applies to each officer, director, manager, member, 387 partner, trustee, or other person exercising or having the power 388 to exercise control over the affairs of the owner.

389		(C)	Ιf	a	person	knowingly	fails	to	perform	а	duty	imposed	bу
390	this	sect	ion,	t	he cour	rt may:							

- 391 (1) Award the receiver actual damages caused by the 392 person's failure, reasonable attorney's fees, and costs; and
- 393 (2) Sanction the failure as civil contempt.
- 394 <u>SECTION 14.</u> STAY; INJUNCTION. (a) Except as otherwise 395 provided in subsection (d) or ordered by the court, an order 396 appointing a receiver operates as a stay, applicable to all 397 persons, of an act, action, or proceeding:
- 398 (1) To obtain possession of, exercise control over, or 399 enforce a judgment against receivership property; and
- 400 (2) To enforce a lien against receivership property to 401 the extent the lien secures a claim against the owner which arose 402 before entry of the order.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (d), 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.
- 407 (c) A person whose act, action, or proceeding is stayed or
 408 enjoined under this section may apply to the court for relief from
 409 the stay or injunction for cause.
- 410 (d) An order under subsection (a) or (b) does not operate as 411 a stay or injunction of:

412	(1)) An	act.	. action.	or.	proceeding	tο	foreclose	or
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- 413 otherwise enforce a mortgage by the person seeking appointment of
- 414 the receiver;
- 415 (2) An act, action, or proceeding to perfect, or
- 416 maintain or continue the perfection of, an interest in
- 417 receivership property;
- 418 (3) Commencement or continuation of a criminal
- 419 proceeding;
- 420 (4) Commencement or continuation of an action or
- 421 proceeding, or enforcement of a judgment other than a money
- 422 judgment in an action or proceeding, by a governmental unit to
- 423 enforce its police or regulatory power; or
- 424 (5) Establishment by a governmental unit of a tax
- 425 liability against the owner or receivership property or an appeal
- 426 of the liability.
- 427 (e) The court may void an act that violates a stay or
- 428 injunction under this section.
- 429 (f) If a person knowingly violates a stay or injunction
- 430 under this section, the court may:
- 431 (1) Award actual damages caused by the violation,
- 432 reasonable attorney's fees, and costs; and
- 433 (2) Sanction the violation as civil contempt.

- 434 SECTION 15. ENGAGEMENT AND COMPENSATION OF PROFESSIONAL.
- 435 (a) With court approval, a receiver may engage an attorney,
- 436 accountant, appraiser, auctioneer, broker, or other professional

437	to	assist	the	receiver	in	performing	а	duty	or	exercising	а	power
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- 438 of the receiver. The receiver shall disclose to the court:
- 439 (1) The identity and qualifications of the
- 440 professional;
- 441 (2) The scope and nature of the proposed engagement;
- 442 (3) Any potential conflict of interest; and
- 443 (4) The proposed compensation.
- 444 (b) A person is not disqualified from engagement under this
- 445 section solely because of the person's engagement by,
- 446 representation of, or other relationship with the receiver, a
- 447 creditor, or a party. This act does not prevent the receiver from
- 448 serving in the receivership as an attorney, accountant,
- 449 auctioneer, or broker when authorized by law.
- 450 (c) A receiver or professional engaged under subsection (a)
- 451 shall file with the court an itemized statement of the time spent,
- 452 work performed, and billing rate of each person that performed the
- 453 work and an itemized list of expenses. The receiver shall pay the
- 454 amount approved by the court.
- 455 SECTION 16. USE OR TRANSFER OF RECEIVERSHIP PROPERTY NOT IN
- 456 ORDINARY COURSE OF BUSINESS. (a) In this section, "good faith"
- 457 means honesty in fact and the observance of reasonable commercial
- 458 standards of fair dealing.
- 459 (b) With court approval, a receiver may use receivership
- 460 property other than in the ordinary course of business.

461	(c) With court approval, a receiver may transfer
462	receivership property other than in the ordinary course of
463	business by sale, lease, license, exchange, or other disposition.
464	Unless the agreement of sale provides otherwise, a sale under this
465	section is free and clear of a lien of the person that obtained
466	appointment of the receiver, any subordinate lien, and any right
467	of redemption but is subject to a senior lien.

- (d) A lien on receivership property which is extinguished by a transfer under subsection (c) 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 are not sufficient to satisfy all obligations secured by the lien.
- 474 A transfer under subsection (c) may occur by means other 475 than a public auction sale. A creditor holding a valid lien on 476 the property to be transferred may purchase the property and 477 offset against the purchase price part or all of the allowed 478 amount secured by the lien, if the creditor tenders funds 479 sufficient to satisfy in full the reasonable expenses of transfer 480 and the obligation secured by any senior lien extinguished by the 481 transfer.
- 482 (f) A reversal or modification of an order approving a
 483 transfer under subsection (c) does not affect the validity of the
 484 transfer to a person that acquired the property in good faith or
 485 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.

- SECTION 17. EXECUTORY CONTRACT. (a) In this section,

 "timeshare interest" means an interest having a duration of more

 than three (3) 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 otherwise provided in subsection (h), 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 its adoption or rejection is not an adoption of the contract and does not preclude the receiver from seeking approval to reject the contract.
- (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

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- (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). Rejection is a breach of
 the contract effective immediately before appointment of the
 receiver. A claim for damages for rejection of the contract must
- 519 (1) The time set for submitting a claim in the 520 receivership; or

be submitted by the later of:

- 521 (2) Thirty (30) days after the court approves the 522 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 law of this state other than this act, the receiver
 may assign the contract with court approval.
- (g) If a receiver rejects under subsection (b) 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

535	(2) Retain the purchaser's right to possession under
536	the contract, and in that case the purchaser shall continue to
537	perform all obligations arising under the contract and may offset
538	any damages caused by nonperformance of an obligation of the owner
539	after the date of the rejection, but the purchaser has no right or
540	claim against other receivership property or the receiver on
541	account of the damages.

- 542 (h) A receiver may not reject an unexpired lease of real 543 property under which the owner is the landlord if:
- 544 (1) The tenant occupies the leased premises as the 545 tenant's primary residence;
- 546 (2) The receiver was appointed at the request of a 547 person other than a mortgagee; or
- 548 (3) The receiver was appointed at the request of a 549 mortgagee and:
- 550 (A) The lease is superior to the lien of the 551 mortgage;
- 552 (B) The tenant has an enforceable agreement with 553 the mortgagee or the holder of a senior lien under which the 554 tenant's occupancy will not be disturbed as long as the tenant 555 performs its obligations under the lease;
- (C) The mortgagee has consented to the lease,

 557 either in a signed record or by its failure timely to object that

 558 the lease violated the mortgage; or

559	(D) The terms of the lease were commercially
560	reasonable at the time the lease was agreed to and the tenant did
561	not know or have reason to know that the lease violated the
562	mortgage.
563	SECTION 18. DEFENSES AND IMMUNITIES OF RECEIVER. (a) A
564	receiver is entitled to all defenses and immunities provided by
565	law of this state other than this act for an act or omission
566	within the scope of the receiver's appointment.
567	(b) A receiver may be sued personally for an act or omission
568	in administering receivership property only with approval of the
569	court that appointed the receiver.
570	SECTION 19. INTERIM REPORT OF RECEIVER. A receiver may file
571	or, if ordered by the court, shall file an interim report that
572	includes:
573	(1) The activities of the receiver since appointment or a
574	previous report;
575	(2) Receipts and disbursements, including a payment made or
576	proposed to be made to a professional engaged by the receiver;
577	(3) Receipts and dispositions of receivership property;
578	(4) Fees and expenses of the receiver and, if not filed
579	separately, a request for approval of payment of the fees and
580	expenses; and
581	(5) Any other information required by the court.
582	SECTION 20. NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT; CLAIM AGAINST
583	RECEIVERSHIP; DISTRIBUTION TO CREDITORS. (a) Except as otherwise

584	provided in	subsection	(f), a	receiver	shall	give	notice	of
585	appointment	of the rece	eiver to	creditor	s of	the ov	vner by:	:

- 586 (1) Deposit for delivery through first-class mail or 587 other commercially reasonable delivery method to the last-known 588 address of each creditor; and
- 589 (2) Publication as directed by the court.
- 590 Except as otherwise provided in subsection (f), the 591 notice required by subsection (a) must specify the date by which 592 each creditor holding a claim against the owner which arose before appointment of the receiver must submit the claim to the receiver. 593 594 The date specified must be at least ninety (90) days after the 595 later of notice under subsection (a)(1) or last publication under 596 subsection (a)(2). The court may extend the period for submitting 597 the claim. Unless the court orders otherwise, a claim that is not 598 submitted timely is not entitled to a distribution from the 599 receivership.
- 600 (c) A claim submitted by a creditor under this section must:
- 601 (1) State the name and address of the creditor;
 - (2) State the amount and basis of the claim;
- 603 (3) Identify any property securing the claim;
- 604 (4) Be signed by the creditor under penalty of perjury;
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606 (5) Include a copy of any record on which the claim is 607 based.

608	(d) An assignment by a creditor of a claim against the owner
609	is effective against the receiver only if the assignee gives
610	timely notice of the assignment to the receiver in a signed
611	record.

- (e) At any time before entry of an order approving a receiver's final report, the receiver may file with the court an objection to a claim of a creditor, stating the basis for the objection. The court shall allow or disallow the claim according to law of this state other than this act.
- (f) If the court concludes that receivership property is likely to be insufficient to satisfy claims of each creditor holding a perfected lien on the property, the court may order that:
- (1) The receiver need not give notice under subsection 622 (a) of the appointment to all creditors of the owner, but only 623 such creditors as the court directs; and
- 624 (2) Unsecured creditors need not submit claims under 625 this section.
- 626 (g) Subject to Section 21:
- (1) A distribution of receivership property to a

 creditor holding a perfected lien on the property must be made in

 accordance with the creditor's priority under law of this state

 other than this act; and

631	(2) A distribution of receivership property to a
632	creditor with an allowed unsecured claim must be made as the court
633	directs according to law of this state other than this act.
634	SECTION 21. FEES AND EXPENSES. (a) The court may award a
635	receiver from receivership property the reasonable and necessary
636	fees and expenses of performing the duties of the receiver and
637	exercising the powers of the receiver.
638	(b) The court may order one or more of the following to pay
639	the reasonable and necessary fees and expenses of the
640	receivership, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs:
641	(1) A person that requested the appointment of the
642	receiver, if the receivership does not produce sufficient funds to

644 (2) A person whose conduct justified or would have 645 justified the appointment of the receiver under Section 6(a)(1).

pay the fees and expenses; or

- 646 <u>SECTION 22.</u> REMOVAL OF RECEIVER; REPLACEMENT; TERMINATION OF 647 RECEIVERSHIP. (a) The court may remove a receiver for cause.
- 648 (b) The court shall replace a receiver that dies, resigns, 649 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.

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656	(d) The court may discharge a receiver and terminate the
657	court's administration of the receivership property if the court
658	finds that appointment of the receiver was improvident or that the
659	circumstances no longer warrant continuation of the receivership.
660	If the court finds that the appointment was sought wrongfully or
661	in bad faith, the court may assess against the person that sought
662	the appointment:

- (1) The fees and expenses of the receivership, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs; and
- 665 (2) Actual damages caused by the appointment, including 666 reasonable attorney's fees and costs.
- SECTION 23. FINAL REPORT OF RECEIVER; DISCHARGE. (a) On completion of a receiver's duties, the receiver shall file a final report including:
- 670 (1) A description of the activities of the receiver in 671 the conduct of the receivership;
- 672 (2) A list of receivership property at the commencement 673 of the receivership and any receivership property received during 674 the receivership;
- 675 (3) A list of disbursements, including payments to 676 professionals engaged by the receiver;
- 677 (4) A list of dispositions of receivership property;
- 678 (5) A list of distributions made or proposed to be made 679 from the receivership for creditor claims;

680		(6)	If no	t fil	ed sepa:	rately,	а	request	for	approval	of
681	the paymen	t of	fees	and e	xpenses	of the	re	ceiver;	and		

- (7) Any other information required by the court.
- (b) If the court approves a final report filed under subsection (a) and the receiver distributes all receivership property, the receiver is discharged.

SECTION 24. RECEIVERSHIP IN ANOTHER STATE; ANCILLARY

- PROCEEDING. (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 this act, if:
- 692 (1) The person or nominee would be eligible to serve as 693 receiver under Section 7; and
- (2) The appointment furthers the person's possession, custody, control, or disposition of property subject to the receivership in the other state.
- 697 (b) The court may issue an order that gives effect to an 698 order entered in another state appointing or directing a receiver.
- (c) Unless the court orders otherwise, an ancillary receiver appointed under subsection (a) has the rights, powers, and duties of a receiver appointed under this act.
- 702 <u>SECTION 25.</u> EFFECT OF ENFORCEMENT BY MORTGAGEE. A request 703 by a mortgagee for appointment of a receiver, the appointment of a

704	receiver,	or	applio	cation	bу	a	mortgage	e of	receivership	property
705	or proceed	ds t	to the	secure	ed c	obl	igation	does	not:	

- 706 (1) Make the mortgagee a mortgagee in possession of the 707 real property;
- 708 (2) Make the mortgagee an agent of the owner;
- 709 (3) Constitute an election of remedies that precludes a 710 later action to enforce the secured obligation;
- 711 (4) Make the secured obligation unenforceable; or
- 712 (5) Limit any right available to the mortgagee with 713 respect to the secured obligation.
- SECTION 26. UNIFORMITY OF APPLICATION AND CONSTRUCTION. In applying and construing this uniform 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.
- 718 <u>SECTION 27.</u> RELATION TO ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES IN GLOBAL AND
 719 NATIONAL COMMERCE ACT. This act modifies, limits, or supersedes
 720 the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, 15
 721 U.S.C. Section 7001 et seq., but does not modify, limit, or
 722 supersede Section 101(c) of that act, 15 U.S.C. Section 7001(c),
- 723 or authorize electronic delivery of any of the notices described
- 724 in Section 103(b) of that act, 15 U.S.C. Section 7003(b).
- 725 **SECTION 28. TRANSITION.** This act does not apply to a 726 receivership for which the receiver was appointed before the 727 effective date of this act.

728 **SECTION 29.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 729 and after July 1, 2016.