Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law. Act 603 of the Regular Session

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5	By: Representative M. Brown
6	By: Senator Dees
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled
9	AN ACT TO AMEND ARTICLE 9 OF THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL
10	CODE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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13	Subtitle
14	TO AMEND ARTICLE 9 OF THE UNIFORM
15	COMMERCIAL CODE.
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17	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 4-9-406(d), concerning the ineffectiveness
20	of certain assignments under the Uniform Commercial Code, is amended to read
21	as follows:
22	(d) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (e) <u>subsections (e) and</u>
23	(k) and §§ 4-2A-303 and 4-9-407, and subject to subsection (h), a term in an
24	agreement between an account debtor and an assignor or in a promissory note
25	is ineffective to the extent that it:
26	(1) prohibits, restricts, or requires the consent of the account
27	debtor or person obligated on the promissory note to the assignment or
28	transfer of, or the creation, attachment, perfection, or enforcement of a
29	security interest in, the account, chattel paper, payment intangible, or
30	promissory note; or
31	(2) provides that the assignment or transfer or the creation,
32	attachment, perfection, or enforcement of the security interest may give rise
33	to a default, breach, right of recoupment, claim, defense, termination, right
34	of termination, or remedy under the account, chattel paper, payment
35	intangible, or promissory note.

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- SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 4-9-406(f), concerning the ineffectiveness of certain legal restrictions on assignments under the Uniform Commercial Code, is amended to read as follows:
 - (f) Except as otherwise provided in <u>subsection (k) and §§ 4-2A-303</u> and 4-9-407 and subject to subsections (h) and (i), a rule of law, statute, or regulation that prohibits, restricts, or requires the consent of a government, governmental body or official, or account debtor to the assignment or transfer of, or creation of a security interest in, an account or chattel paper is ineffective to the extent that the rule of law, statute, or regulation:
 - (1) prohibits, restricts, or requires the consent of the government, governmental body or official, or account debtor to the assignment or transfer of, or the creation, attachment, perfection, or enforcement of a security interest in the account or chattel paper; or
 - (2) provides that the assignment or transfer or the creation, attachment, perfection, or enforcement of the security interest may give rise to a default, breach, right of recoupment, claim, defense, termination, right of termination, or remedy under the account or chattel paper.

- SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 4-9-406, concerning the discharge of an account debtor under the Uniform Commercial Code, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:
- (k) Subsections (d), (f), and (j) do not apply to a security interest in an ownership interest in a general partnership, limited partnership, or limited liability company.

- SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 4-9-408(a), concerning the ineffectiveness of certain assignments under the Uniform Commercial Code, is amended to read as follows:
- (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) subsections (b) and (g), a term in a promissory note or in an agreement between an account debtor and a debtor which relates to a health-care-insurance receivable or a general intangible, including a contract, permit, license, or franchise, and which term prohibits, restricts, or requires the consent of the person obligated on the promissory note or the account debtor to, the assignment or transfer of, or creation, attachment, or perfection of a security interest in, the

- 1 promissory note, health-care-insurance receivable, or general intangible, is 2 ineffective to the extent that the term:
- 3 (1) would impair the creation, attachment, or perfection of a 4 security interest; or
- 5 (2) provides that the assignment or transfer or the creation,
 6 attachment, or perfection of the security interest may give rise to a
 7 default, breach, right of recoupment, claim, defense, termination, right of
 8 termination, or remedy under the promissory note, health-care-insurance
 9 receivable, or general intangible.

- SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 4-9-408(c), concerning the ineffectiveness of certain legal restrictions on assignments under the Uniform Commercial Code, is amended to read as follows:
 - (c) A Except as otherwise provided in subsection (g), a rule of law, statute, or regulation that prohibits, restricts, or requires the consent of a government, governmental body or official, person obligated on a promissory note, or account debtor to the assignment or transfer of, or creation of a security interest in, a promissory note, health-care-insurance receivable, or general intangible, including a contract, permit, license, or franchise between an account debtor and a debtor, is ineffective to the extent that the rule of law, statute, or regulation:
 - (1) would impair the creation, attachment, or perfection of a security interest; or
 - (2) provides that the assignment or transfer or the creation, attachment, or perfection of the security interest may give rise to a default, breach, right of recoupment, claim, defense, termination, right of termination, or remedy under the promissory note, health-care-insurance receivable, or general intangible.

- SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 4-9-408, concerning restrictions on certain assignments under the Uniform Commercial Code, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:
- 33 (g) This section does not apply to a security interest in an ownership
 34 interest in a general partnership, limited partnership, or limited liability
 35 company.
- 36 APPROVED: 4/14/25

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