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**By** House Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Pedersen and Rodne; by request of Uniform Laws Commission)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the Uniform Commercial code; amending RCW 2 62A.4A-108, 62A.4A-103, 62A.4A-104, 62A.4A-105, 62A.4A-106, 62A.4A-202, 62A.4A-203, 62A.4A-204, 62A.4A-205, 62A.4A-206, 62A.4A-207, 62A.4A-208, 3 62A.4A-209, 62A.4A-210, 62A.4A-211, 62A.4A-212, 62A.4A-301, 62A.4A-302, 4 62A.4A-303, 62A.4A-304, 62A.4A-305, 62A.4A-402, 62A.4A-403, 62A.4A-404, 5 6 62A.4A-405, 62A.4A-406, 62A.4A-501, 62A.4A-502, 62A.4A-503, 62A.4A-504, 7 62A.4A-506, 62A.4A-507, 62A.9A-502, and 62A.9A-503; creating a new 8 section; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

10 Sec. 1. RCW 62A.4A-108 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-108 are each 11 amended to read as follows:

12 <u>RELATIONSHIP TO ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER ACT. (a) Except as</u> 13 <u>provided in subsection (b) of this section, this Article does not apply</u> 14 to a funds transfer any part of which is governed by the Electronic 15 Fund Transfer Act of 1978 (Title XX, P.L. 95-630, 92 Stat. 3728, 15 16 U.S.C. Sec. 1693 et seq.) ((as amended from time to time)).

(b) This Article applies to a funds transfer that is a remittance
 transfer as defined in the Electronic Fund Transfer Act (15 U.S.C. Sec.

1 16930-1), unless the remittance transfer is an electronic fund transfer
2 as defined in the Electronic Fund Transfer Act (15 U.S.C. Sec. 1693a).
3 (c) In a funds transfer to which this Article applies, in the event
4 of an inconsistency between an applicable provision of this Article and
5 an applicable provision of the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, the
6 provision of the Electronic Fund Transfer Act governs to the extent of
7 the inconsistency.

8 Sec. 2. RCW 62A.4A-103 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-103 are each 9 amended to read as follows:

10 ((<del>(1)</del>)) <u>(a)</u> In this Article:

11 (((a))) (1) "Payment order" means an instruction of a sender to a 12 receiving bank, transmitted orally, electronically, or in writing, to 13 pay, or to cause another bank to pay, a fixed or determinable amount of 14 money to a beneficiary if:

(i) The instruction does not state a condition ((of)) to payment to
 the beneficiary other than time of payment;

(ii) The receiving bank is to be reimbursed by debiting an accountof, or otherwise receiving payment from, the sender; and

(iii) The instruction is transmitted by the sender directly to the receiving bank or to an agent, funds-transfer system, or communication system for transmittal to the receiving bank.

22 (((+b))) (2) "Beneficiary" means the person to be paid by the 23 beneficiary's bank.

((( + c))) (3) "Beneficiary's bank" means the bank identified in a payment order in which an account of the beneficiary is to be credited pursuant to the order or which otherwise is to make payment to the beneficiary if the order does not provide for payment to an account.

28 ((<del>(d)</del>)) <u>(4)</u> "Receiving bank" means the bank to which the sender's 29 instruction is addressed.

30 (((+))) (5) "Sender" means the person giving the instruction to the 31 receiving bank.

32 (((2))) (b) If an instruction complying with subsection (((1)(a)))33 (a)(1) of this section is to make more than one payment to a 34 beneficiary, the instruction is a separate payment order with respect 35 to each payment.

36 (((3))) <u>(c)</u> A payment order is issued when it is sent to the 37 receiving bank.

1 Sec. 3. RCW 62A.4A-104 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-104 are each
2 amended to read as follows:

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In this Article:

4 (((1))) (a) "Funds transfer" means the series of transactions, 5 beginning with the originator's payment order, made for the purpose of 6 making payment to the beneficiary of the order. The term includes any 7 payment order issued by the originator's bank or an intermediary bank 8 intended to carry out the originator's payment order. A funds transfer 9 is completed by acceptance by the beneficiary's bank of a payment order 10 for the benefit of the beneficiary of the originator's payment order.

11 (((<del>(2)</del>)) (b) "Intermediary bank" means a receiving bank other than 12 the originator's bank or the beneficiary's bank.

13 (((3))) (c) "Originator" means the sender of the first payment 14 order in a funds transfer.

15 (((4))) (d) "Originator's bank" means (((a))) (i) the receiving 16 bank to which the payment order of the originator is issued if the 17 originator is not a bank, or (((b))) (ii) the originator if the 18 originator is a bank.

19 Sec. 4. RCW 62A.4A-105 and 2012 c 214 s 1201 are each amended to 20 read as follows:

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((<del>(1)</del>)) <u>(a)</u> In this Article:

(((a))) (1) "Authorized account" means a deposit account of a customer in a bank designated by the customer as a source of payment of payment orders issued by the customer to the bank. If a customer does not so designate an account, any account of the customer is an authorized account if payment of a payment order from that account is not inconsistent with a restriction on the use of ((the)) that account.

28 ((<del>(b)</del>)) <u>(2)</u> "Bank" means a person engaged in the business of 29 banking and includes a savings bank, savings and loan association, 30 credit union, and trust company. A branch or separate office of a bank 31 is a separate bank for purposes of this Article.

32 ((<del>(c)</del>)) <u>(3)</u> "Customer" means a person, including a bank, having an 33 account with a bank or from whom a bank has agreed to receive payment 34 orders.

35 (((d))) (4) "Funds-transfer business day" of a receiving bank means 36 the part of a day during which the receiving bank is open for the

receipt, processing, and transmittal of payment orders and
 cancellations and amendments of payment orders.

3 (((e))) (5) "Funds-transfer system" means a wire transfer network, 4 automated clearing house, or other communication system of a clearing 5 house or other association of banks through which a payment order by a 6 bank may be transmitted to the bank to which the order is addressed.

7  $\left(\left(\frac{f}{f}\right)\right) (6)$  [Reserved.]

8 ((<del>(g)</del>)) <u>(7)</u> "Prove" with respect to a fact means to meet the burden 9 of establishing the fact (RCW 62A.1-201(b)(8)).

10 (((2))) (b) Other definitions applying to this Article and the 11 sections in which they appear are:

12		"Acceptance"	RCW 62A.4A-209
13		"Beneficiary"	RCW 62A.4A-103
14		"Beneficiary's bank"	RCW 62A.4A-103
15		"Executed"	RCW 62A.4A-301
16		"Execution date"	RCW 62A.4A-301
17		"Funds transfer"	RCW 62A.4A-104
18		"Funds-transfer system rule"	RCW 62A.4A-501
19		"Intermediary bank"	RCW 62A.4A-104
20		"Originator"	RCW 62A.4A-104
21		"Originator's bank"	RCW 62A.4A-104
22		"Payment by beneficiary's	
23		bank to beneficiary"	RCW 62A.4A-405
24		"Payment by originator to	
25		beneficiary"	RCW 62A.4A-406
26		"Payment by sender to	
27		receiving bank"	RCW 62A.4A-403
28		"Payment date"	RCW 62A.4A-401
29		"Payment order"	RCW 62A.4A-103
30		"Receiving bank"	RCW 62A.4A-103
31		"Security procedure"	RCW 62A.4A-201
32		"Sender"	RCW 62A.4A-103
33		following dofinit	iona in Articlo 4 (DOW 627 4 101
		_	ions in Article 4 (RCW 62A.4-101
34	through 62A.4-504) a	apply to this Artic	le:

1	"Clearing house"	RCW 62A.4-104
2	"Item"	RCW 62A.4-104
3	"Suspends payments"	RCW 62A.4-104

4 (((4))) (d) In addition, Article 1 contains general definitions and
5 principles of construction and interpretation applicable throughout
6 this Article.

7 Sec. 5. RCW 62A.4A-106 and 2012 c 214 s 1202 are each amended to 8 read as follows:

9 (((1))) (a) The time of receipt of a payment order or communication 10 canceling or amending a payment order is determined by the rules 11 applicable to receipt of a notice stated in RCW 62A.1-202. A receiving 12 bank may fix a cut-off time or times on a funds-transfer business day 13 for the receipt and processing of payment orders and communications 14 canceling or amending payment orders. Different cut-off times may apply to payment orders, cancellations, or amendments, or to different 15 16 categories of payment orders, cancellations, or amendments. A cut-off 17 time may apply to senders generally or different cut-off times may apply to different senders or categories of payment orders. 18 If a 19 payment order or communication canceling or amending a payment order is received after the close of a funds-transfer business day or after the 20 21 appropriate cut-off time on a funds-transfer business day, the 22 receiving bank may treat the payment order or communication as received 23 at the opening of the next funds-transfer business day.

((<del>(2)</del>)) (b) If this Article refers to an execution date or payment date or states a day on which a receiving bank is required to take action, and the date or day does not fall on a funds-transfer business day, the next day that is a funds-transfer business day is treated as the date or day stated, unless the contrary is stated in this Article.

29 Sec. 6. RCW 62A.4A-202 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-202 are each 30 amended to read as follows:

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((<del>(1)</del>)) <u>(a)</u> A payment order received by the receiving bank is the

1 authorized order of the person identified as sender if that person 2 authorized the order or is otherwise bound by it under the law of 3 agency.

4  $((\frac{1}{2}))$  (b) If a bank and its customer have agreed that the authenticity of payment orders issued to the bank in the name of the 5 customer as sender will be verified pursuant to a security procedure, 6 7 a payment order received by the receiving bank is effective as the 8 order of the customer, whether or not authorized, if  $\left(\frac{a}{a}\right)$  (i) the security procedure is a commercially reasonable method of providing 9 10 security against unauthorized payment orders, and (((b))) (ii) the bank 11 proves that it accepted the payment order in good faith and in 12 compliance with the security procedure and any written agreement or 13 instruction of the customer restricting acceptance of payment orders 14 issued in the name of the customer. The bank is not required to follow an instruction that violates a written agreement with the customer or 15 notice of which is not received at a time and in a manner affording the 16 17 bank a reasonable opportunity to act on it before the payment order is 18 accepted.

19 (((3))) (c) Commercial reasonableness of a security procedure is a 20 question of law to be determined by considering the wishes of the 21 customer expressed to the bank, the circumstances of the customer known 22 to the bank, including the size, type, and frequency of payment orders 23 normally issued by the customer to the bank, alternative security 24 procedures offered to the customer, and security procedures in general 25 use by customers and receiving banks similarly situated. A security 26 procedure is deemed to be commercially reasonable if (((a))) (i) the 27 security procedure was chosen ((<del>[by]</del>)) by the customer after the bank offered, and the customer refused, a security procedure that was 28 29 commercially reasonable for that customer, and  $\left(\frac{(b)}{(b)}\right)$  (ii) the 30 customer expressly agreed in writing to be bound by any payment order, whether or not authorized, issued in its name, and accepted by the bank 31 32 in compliance with the security procedure chosen by the customer.

33 (((4))) (d) The term "sender" in this Article includes the customer 34 in whose name a payment order is issued if the order is the authorized 35 order of the customer under subsection (((1))) (a) of this section, or 36 it is effective as the order of the customer under subsection (((2)))37 (b) of this section.

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(((5))) (e) This section applies to amendments and cancellations of
 payment orders to the same extent it applies to payment orders.

3 (((6))) (f) Except as provided in this section and RCW
4 62A.4A-203(((1)(a))) (a)(1), rights and obligations arising under this
5 section or RCW 62A.4A-203 may not be varied by agreement.

6 Sec. 7. RCW 62A.4A-203 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-203 are each 7 amended to read as follows:

8 ((<del>(1)</del>)) <u>(a)</u> If an accepted payment order is not, under RCW 9 ((<del>62A.4A-201(1)</del>)) <u>62A.4A-202(a)</u>, an authorized order of a customer 10 identified as sender, but is effective as an order of the customer 11 pursuant to RCW 62A.4A-202((<del>(2)</del>)) <u>(b)</u>, the following rules apply.

12 (((a))) (1) By express written agreement, the receiving bank may 13 limit the extent to which it is entitled to enforce or retain payment 14 of the payment order.

(((b))) (2) The receiving bank is not entitled to enforce or retain 15 16 payment of the payment order if the customer proves that the order was 17 not caused, directly or indirectly, by a person (i) entrusted at any time with duties to act for the customer with respect to payment orders 18 or the security procedure, or (ii) who obtained access to transmitting 19 20 facilities of the customer or who obtained, from a source controlled by 21 the customer and without authority of the receiving bank, information facilitating breach of the security procedure, regardless of how the 22 23 information was obtained or whether the customer was at fault. 24 Information includes any access device, computer software, or the like. 25 (((<del>(2)</del>)) (b) This section applies to amendments of payment orders to 26 the same extent it applies to payment orders.

27 Sec. 8. RCW 62A.4A-204 and 2012 c 214 s 1203 are each amended to 28 read as follows:

(((1))) (a) If a receiving bank accepts a payment order issued in 29 30 the name of its customer as sender which is  $\left(\left(\frac{a}{a}\right)\right)$  (i) not authorized and not effective as the order of the customer under RCW 62A.4A-202, or 31 32 ((<del>(b)</del>)) (ii) not enforceable, in whole or in part, against the customer under RCW 62A.4A-203, the bank shall refund any payment of the payment 33 34 order received from the customer to the extent the bank is not entitled 35 to enforce payment and shall pay interest on the refundable amount 36 calculated from the date the bank received payment to the date of the

However, the customer is not entitled to interest from the 1 refund. 2 bank on the amount to be refunded if the customer fails to exercise ordinary care to determine that the order was not authorized by the 3 4 customer and to notify the bank of the relevant facts within a reasonable time not exceeding ninety days after the date the customer 5 received notification from the bank that the order was accepted or that б 7 the customer's account was debited with respect to the order. The bank 8 is not entitled to any recovery from the customer on account of a failure by the customer to give notification as stated in this section. 9 10 (((2))) (b) Reasonable time under subsection (((1))) (a) of this section may be fixed by agreement as stated in RCW 62A.1-302(b), but 11 12 the obligation of a receiving bank to refund payment as stated in 13 subsection  $\left(\left(\frac{1}{1}\right)\right)$  (a) of this section may not otherwise be varied by 14 agreement.

15 Sec. 9. RCW 62A.4A-205 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-205 are each 16 amended to read as follows:

17 (((1))) (a) If an accepted payment order was transmitted pursuant 18 to a security procedure for the detection of error and the payment 19 order (((a))) (i) erroneously instructed payment to a beneficiary not 20 intended by the sender, (((b))) (ii) erroneously instructed payment in 21 an amount greater than the amount intended by the sender, or (((c)))22 (iii) was an erroneously transmitted duplicate of a payment order 23 previously sent by the sender, the following rules apply:

 $((\langle i \rangle))$  (1) If the sender proves that the sender or a person acting on behalf of the sender pursuant to RCW 62A.4A-206 complied with the security procedure and that the error would have been detected if the receiving bank had also complied, the sender is not obliged to pay the order to the extent stated in  $((\langle ii \rangle))$  paragraphs (2) and  $((\langle iii \rangle))$  (3) of this subsection.

30  $((\langle ii \rangle))$  (2) If the funds transfer is completed on the basis of an 31 erroneous payment order described in  $((\langle b \rangle))$  <u>clause (i)</u> or  $((\langle c \rangle))$ 32 <u>(iii)</u> of this subsection <u>(a)</u>, the sender is not obliged to pay the 33 order and the receiving bank is entitled to recover from the 34 beneficiary any amount paid to the beneficiary to the extent allowed by 35 the law governing mistake and restitution.

36 (((iii))) (3) If the funds transfer is completed on the basis of a 37 payment order described in (((b))) <u>clause (ii)</u> of this subsection <u>(a)</u>,

the sender is not obliged to pay the order to the extent the amount received by the beneficiary is greater than the amount intended by the sender. In that case, the receiving bank is entitled to recover from the beneficiary the excess amount received to the extent allowed by the law governing mistake and restitution.

6 (((2))) (b) If (((a))) (i) the sender of an erroneous payment order 7 described in subsection  $\left(\left(\frac{1}{1}\right)\right)$  (a) of this section is not obliged to 8 pay all or part of the order, and  $\left(\left(\frac{b}{b}\right)\right)$  (ii) the sender receives notification from the receiving bank that the order was accepted by the 9 10 bank or that the sender's account was debited with respect to the 11 order, the sender has a duty to exercise ordinary care, on the basis of 12 information available to the sender, to discover the error with respect 13 to the order and to advise the bank of the relevant facts within a 14 reasonable time, not exceeding ninety days, after the bank's notification was received by the sender. If the bank proves that the 15 sender failed to perform that duty, the sender is liable to the bank 16 17 for the loss the bank proves it incurred as a result of the failure, 18 but the liability of the sender may not exceed the amount of the 19 sender's order.

20 (((3))) (c) This section applies to amendments to payment orders to 21 the same extent it applies to payment orders.

Sec. 10. RCW 62A.4A-206 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-206 are each amended to read as follows:

 $\left(\left(\frac{1}{1}\right)\right)$  (a) If a payment order addressed to a receiving bank is 24 25 transmitted to a funds-transfer system or other third-party 26 communication system for transmittal to the bank, the system is deemed 27 to be an agent of the sender for the purpose of transmitting the payment order to the bank. If there is a discrepancy between the terms 28 29 of the payment order transmitted to the system and the terms of the payment order transmitted by the system to the bank, the terms of the 30 31 payment order of the sender are those transmitted by the system. This section does not apply to a funds-transfer system of the federal 32 33 reserve banks.

34 ((<del>(2)</del>)) <u>(b)</u> This section applies to cancellations and amendments of 35 payment orders to the same extent it applies to payment orders.

1 **Sec. 11.** RCW 62A.4A-207 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-207 are each 2 amended to read as follows:

3 (((1))) (a) Subject to subsection (((2))) (b) of this section, if, 4 in a payment order received by the beneficiary's bank, the name, bank 5 account number, or other identification of the beneficiary refers to a 6 nonexistent or unidentifiable person or account, no person has rights 7 as a beneficiary of the order and acceptance of the order cannot occur.

8 ((<del>(2)</del>)) <u>(b)</u> If a payment order received by the beneficiary's bank 9 identifies the beneficiary both by name and by an identifying or bank 10 account number and the name and number identify different persons, the 11 following rules apply:

12 (((a))) (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (((3))) (c) 13 of this section, if the beneficiary's bank does not know that the name 14 and number refer to different persons, it may rely on the number as the 15 proper identification of the beneficiary of the order. The 16 beneficiary's bank need not determine whether the name and number refer 17 to the same person.

18 (((b))) (2) If the beneficiary's bank pays the person identified by 19 name or knows that the name and number identify different persons, no 20 person has rights as beneficiary except the person paid by the 21 beneficiary's bank if that person was entitled to receive payment from 22 the originator of the funds transfer. If no person has rights as 23 beneficiary, acceptance of the order cannot occur.

 $(((3))) (c) \text{ If } (((a))) (i) \text{ a payment order described in subsection} \\ (((2))) (b) \text{ of this section is accepted, } (((b))) (ii) \text{ the originator's} \\ \text{payment order described the beneficiary inconsistently by name and} \\ \text{number, and } (((c))) (iii) \text{ the beneficiary's bank pays the person} \\ \text{identified by number as permitted by subsection } (((2)(a))) (b)(1) \text{ of} \\ \text{this section, the following rules apply:} \\ \end{cases}$ 

30 ((((i))) (1) If the originator is a bank, the originator is obliged 31 to pay its order.

32 ((<del>(ii)</del>)) <u>(2)</u> If the originator is not a bank and proves that the 33 person identified by number was not entitled to receive payment from 34 the originator, the originator is not obliged to pay its order unless 35 the originator's bank proves that the originator, before acceptance of 36 the originator's order, had notice that payment of a payment order 37 issued by the originator might be made by the beneficiary's bank on the 38 basis of an identifying or bank account number even if it identifies a person different from the named beneficiary. Proof of notice may be made by any admissible evidence. The originator's bank satisfies the burden of proof if it proves that the originator, before the payment order was accepted, signed a writing stating the information to which the notice relates.

6 (((4))) (d) In a case governed by subsection (((2)(a))) (b)(1) of 7 this section, if the beneficiary's bank rightfully pays the person 8 identified by number and that person was not entitled to receive 9 payment from the originator, the amount paid may be recovered from that 10 person to the extent allowed by the law governing mistake and 11 restitution as follows:

12 (((a))) (1) If the originator is obliged to pay its payment order 13 as stated in subsection (((3))) (c) of this section, the originator has 14 the right to recover.

15 ((<del>(b)</del>)) <u>(2)</u> If the originator is not a bank and is not obliged to 16 pay its payment order, the originator's bank has the right to recover.

17 **Sec. 12.** RCW 62A.4A-208 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-208 are each 18 amended to read as follows:

19 ((<del>(1)</del>)) <u>(a)</u> This subsection applies to a payment order identifying 20 an intermediary bank or the beneficiary's bank only by an identifying 21 number.

22 (((a))) (1) The receiving bank may rely on the number as the proper 23 identification of the intermediary or beneficiary's bank and need not 24 determine whether the number identifies a bank.

25 ((<del>(b)</del>)) <u>(2)</u> The sender is obliged to compensate the receiving bank 26 for any loss and expenses incurred by the receiving bank as a result of 27 its reliance on the number in executing or attempting to execute the 28 order.

29 ((<del>(2)</del>)) <u>(b)</u> This subsection applies to a payment order identifying 30 an intermediary bank or the beneficiary's bank both by name and an 31 identifying number if the name and number identify different persons.

32 (((a))) (1) If the sender is a bank, the receiving bank may rely on 33 the number as the proper identification of the intermediary or 34 beneficiary's bank if the receiving bank, when it executes the sender's 35 order, does not know that the name and number identify different 36 persons. The receiving bank need not determine whether the name and 37 number refer to the same person or whether the number refers to a bank.

The sender is obliged to compensate the receiving bank for any loss and expenses incurred by the receiving bank as a result of its reliance on the number in executing or attempting to execute the order.

4 (((b))) (2) If the sender is not a bank and the receiving bank proves that the sender, before the payment order was accepted, had 5 notice that the receiving bank might rely on the number as the proper б 7 identification of the intermediary or beneficiary's bank even if it 8 identifies a person different from the bank identified by name, the rights and obligations of the sender and the receiving bank are 9 governed by subsection  $\left(\left(\frac{2}{a}\right)\right)$  (b)(1) of this section, as though the 10 sender were a bank. Proof of notice may be made by any admissible 11 12 evidence. The receiving bank satisfies the burden of proof if it 13 proves that the sender, before the payment order was accepted, signed a writing stating the information to which the notice relates. 14

15 (((+c+))) (3) Regardless of whether the sender is a bank, the 16 receiving bank may rely on the name as the proper identification of the 17 intermediary or beneficiary's bank if the receiving bank, at the time 18 it executes the sender's order, does not know that the name and number 19 identify different persons. The receiving bank need not determine 20 whether the name and number refer to the same person.

21 (((d))) (4) If the receiving bank knows that the name and number 22 identify different persons, reliance on either the name or the number 23 in executing the sender's payment order is a breach of the obligation 24 stated in RCW 62A.4A-302(((1)(a))) (a)(1).

25 Sec. 13. RCW 62A.4A-209 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-209 are each 26 amended to read as follows:

27 (((1))) (a) Subject to subsection (((4))) (d) of this section, a 28 receiving bank other than the beneficiary's bank accepts a payment 29 order when it executes the order.

30 (((2))) (b) Subject to subsections (((3) and (4))) (c) and (d) of 31 this section, a beneficiary's bank accepts a payment order at the 32 earliest of the following times:

33 (((a))) (1) When the bank (i) pays the beneficiary as stated in RCW 34 62A.4A-405 (((1) or (2))) (a) or (b) or (ii) notifies the beneficiary 35 of receipt of the order or that the account of the beneficiary has been 36 credited with respect to the order unless the notice indicates that the 1 bank is rejecting the order or that funds with respect to the order may 2 not be withdrawn or used until receipt of payment from the sender of 3 the order;

4 (((<del>b)</del>)) (2) When the bank receives payment of the entire amount of 5 the sender's order pursuant to RCW 62A.4A-403(((1) (a) or (b))) (a) (1) 6 or (2); or

(((c))) (3) The opening of the next funds-transfer business day of 7 8 the bank following the payment date of the order if, at that time, the amount of the sender's order is fully covered by a withdrawable credit 9 balance in an authorized account of the sender or the bank has 10 11 otherwise received full payment from the sender, unless the order was 12 rejected before that time or is rejected within (i) one hour after that 13 time, or (ii) one hour after the opening of the next business day of the sender following the payment date if that time is later. If notice 14 of rejection is received by the sender after the payment date and the 15 authorized account of the sender does not bear interest, the bank is 16 obliged to pay interest to the sender on the amount of the order for 17 the number of days elapsing after the payment date to the day the 18 sender receives notice or learns that the order was not accepted, 19 20 counting that day as an elapsed day. If the withdrawable credit 21 balance during that period falls below the amount of the order, the 22 amount of interest payable is reduced accordingly.

(((3))) (c) Acceptance of a payment order cannot occur before the order is received by the receiving bank. Acceptance does not occur under subsection (((2)(b) or (c))) (b) (2) or (3) of this section if the beneficiary of the payment order does not have an account with the receiving bank, the account has been closed, or the receiving bank is not permitted by law to receive credits for the beneficiary's account.

29 (((++))) (d) A payment order issued to the originator's bank cannot 30 be accepted until the payment date if the bank is the beneficiary's bank, or the execution date if the bank is not the beneficiary's bank. 31 32 If the originator's bank executes the originator's payment order before the execution date or pays the beneficiary of the originator's payment 33 order before the payment date and the payment order is subsequently 34 35 canceled pursuant to RCW 62A.4A-211(((+2))) (b), the bank may recover 36 from the beneficiary any payment received to the extent allowed by the 37 law governing mistake and restitution.

1 Sec. 14. RCW 62A.4A-210 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-210 are each
2 amended to read as follows:

 $\left(\left(\frac{1}{1}\right)\right)$  (a) A payment order is rejected by the receiving bank by a 3 4 notice of rejection transmitted to the sender orally, electronically, 5 or in writing. A notice of rejection need not use any particular words and is sufficient if it indicates that the receiving bank is rejecting б 7 the order or will not execute or pay the order. Rejection is effective 8 when the notice is given if transmission is by a means that is reasonable in the circumstances. If notice of rejection is given by a 9 10 means that is not reasonable, rejection is effective when the notice is received. If an agreement of the sender and receiving bank establishes 11 12 the means to be used to reject a payment order,  $\left(\left(\frac{a}{a}\right)\right)$  (i) any means 13 complying with the agreement is reasonable and  $\left(\frac{b}{b}\right)$  (ii) any means 14 not complying is not reasonable unless no significant delay in receipt of the notice resulted from the use of the noncomplying means. 15

(((2))) (b) This subsection applies if a receiving bank other than 16 17 the beneficiary's bank fails to execute a payment order despite the existence on the execution date of a withdrawable credit balance in an 18 authorized account of the sender sufficient to cover the order. If the 19 sender does not receive notice of rejection of the order on the 20 21 execution date and the authorized account of the sender does not bear 22 interest, the bank is obliged to pay interest to the sender on the 23 amount of the order for the number of days elapsing after the execution date to the earlier of the day the order is canceled pursuant to RCW 24 25 62A.4A-211(((+4))) (d) or the day the sender receives notice or learns 26 that the order was not executed, counting the final day of the period 27 as an elapsed day. If the withdrawable credit balance during that 28 period falls below the amount of the order, the amount of interest is reduced accordingly. 29

30 ((<del>(3)</del>)) <u>(c)</u> If a receiving bank suspends payments, all unaccepted 31 payment orders issued to it are deemed rejected at the time the bank 32 suspends payments.

33 (((4))) (d) Acceptance of a payment order precludes a later 34 rejection of the order. Rejection of a payment order precludes a later 35 acceptance of the order.

36 Sec. 15. RCW 62A.4A-211 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-211 are each 37 amended to read as follows:

1 (((1))) (a) A communication of the sender of a payment order 2 canceling or amending the order may be transmitted to the receiving 3 bank orally, electronically, or in writing. If a security procedure is 4 in effect between the sender and the receiving bank, the communication 5 is not effective to cancel or amend the order unless the communication 6 is verified pursuant to the security procedure or the bank agrees to 7 the cancellation or amendment.

8 ((<del>(2)</del>)) <u>(b)</u> Subject to subsection ((<del>(1)</del>)) <u>(a)</u> of this section, a 9 communication by the sender canceling or amending a payment order is 10 effective to cancel or amend the order if notice of the communication 11 is received at a time and in a manner affording the receiving bank a 12 reasonable opportunity to act on the communication before the bank 13 accepts the payment order.

14 ((<del>(3)</del>)) <u>(c)</u> After a payment order has been accepted, cancellation 15 or amendment of the order is not effective unless the receiving bank 16 agrees or a funds-transfer system rule allows cancellation or amendment 17 without agreement of the bank.

18 (((a))) (1) With respect to a payment order accepted by a receiving 19 bank other than the beneficiary's bank, cancellation or amendment is 20 not effective unless a conforming cancellation or amendment of the 21 payment order issued by the receiving bank is also made.

22  $\left(\left(\frac{b}{b}\right)\right)$  (2) With respect to a payment order accepted by the 23 beneficiary's bank, cancellation or amendment is not effective unless 24 the order was issued in execution of an unauthorized payment order, or because of a mistake by a sender in the funds transfer which resulted 25 26 in the issuance of a payment order (i) that is a duplicate of a payment 27 order previously issued by the sender, (ii) that orders payment to a 28 beneficiary not entitled to receive payment from the originator, or 29 (iii) that orders payment in an amount greater than the amount the 30 beneficiary was entitled to receive from the originator. If the payment order is canceled or amended, the beneficiary's bank is 31 32 entitled to recover from the beneficiary any amount paid to the beneficiary to the extent allowed by the law governing mistake and 33 34 restitution.

35 (((4))) (d) An unaccepted payment order is canceled by operation of 36 law at the close of the fifth funds-transfer business day of the 37 receiving bank after the execution date or payment date of the order.

1 (((5))) (e) A canceled payment order cannot be accepted. If an 2 accepted payment order is canceled, the acceptance is nullified and no 3 person has any right or obligation based on the acceptance. Amendment 4 of a payment order is deemed to be cancellation of the original order 5 at the time of amendment and issue of a new payment order in the 6 amended form at the same time.

7 (((-6))) (f) Unless otherwise provided in an agreement of the parties or in a funds-transfer system rule, if the receiving bank, 8 after accepting a payment order, agrees to cancellation or amendment of 9 10 the order by the sender or is bound by a funds-transfer system rule allowing cancellation or amendment without the bank's agreement, the 11 12 sender, whether or not cancellation or amendment is effective, is 13 liable to the bank for any loss and expenses, including reasonable 14 attorneys' fees, incurred by the bank as a result of the cancellation or amendment or attempted cancellation or amendment. 15

16 ((<del>(7)</del>)) (<u>g</u>) A payment order is not revoked by the death or legal 17 incapacity of the sender unless the receiving bank knows of the death 18 or of an adjudication of incapacity by a court of competent 19 jurisdiction and has reasonable opportunity to act before acceptance of 20 the order.

21 (((+3))) (h) A funds-transfer system rule is not effective to the 22 extent it conflicts with subsection ((+3)(+b))) (c)(2) of this section.

23 Sec. 16. RCW 62A.4A-212 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-212 are each 24 amended to read as follows:

25 If a receiving bank fails to accept a payment order that  $\left(\left(\frac{\text{it}}{\text{it}}\right)\right)$ 26 it is obliged by express agreement to accept, the bank is liable for 27 breach of the agreement to the extent provided in the agreement or in this Article, but does not otherwise have any duty to accept a payment 28 29 order or, before acceptance, to take any action, or refrain from taking 30 action, with respect to the order except as provided in this Article or 31 by express agreement. Liability based on acceptance arises only when acceptance occurs as stated in RCW 62A.4A-209, and liability is limited 32 to that provided in this Article. A receiving bank is not the agent of 33 the sender or beneficiary of the payment order it accepts, or of any 34 35 other party to the funds transfer, and the bank owes no duty to any 36 party to the funds transfer except as provided in this Article or by 37 express agreement.

1 Sec. 17. RCW 62A.4A-301 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-301 are each
2 amended to read as follows:

3 (((1))) (a) A payment order is "executed" by the receiving bank 4 when it issues a payment order intended to carry out the payment order 5 received by the bank. A payment order received by the beneficiary's 6 bank can be accepted but cannot be executed.

7  $((\frac{2}{2}))$  (b) "Execution date" of a payment order means the day on 8 which the receiving bank may properly issue a payment order in execution of the sender's order. The execution date may be determined 9 10 by instruction of the sender but cannot be earlier than the day the order is received and, unless otherwise determined, is the day the 11 order is received. If the sender's instruction states a payment date, 12 the execution date is the payment date or an earlier date on which 13 14 execution is reasonably necessary to allow payment to the beneficiary on the payment date. 15

16 Sec. 18. RCW 62A.4A-302 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-302 are each 17 amended to read as follows:

18 (((1))) (a) Except as provided in subsections (((2) through (4)))
19 (b) through (d) of this section, if the receiving bank accepts a
20 payment order pursuant to RCW 62A.4A-209(((1))) (a), the bank has the
21 following obligations in executing the order.

 $((\frac{a}{a}))$  <u>(1)</u> The receiving bank is obliged to issue, on the 22 23 execution date, a payment order complying with the sender's order and 24 to follow the sender's instructions concerning (i) any intermediary 25 bank or funds-transfer system to be used in carrying out the funds 26 transfer, or (ii) the means by which payment orders are to be transmitted in the funds transfer. If the originator's bank issues a 27 payment order to an intermediary bank, the originator's bank is obliged 28 29 to instruct the intermediary bank according to the instruction of the originator. An intermediary bank in the funds transfer is similarly 30 31 bound by an instruction given to it by the sender of the payment order 32 it accepts.

33 (((<del>b)</del>)) (2) If the sender's instruction states that the funds 34 transfer is to be carried out telephonically or by wire transfer or 35 otherwise indicates that the funds transfer is to be carried out by the 36 most expeditious means, the receiving bank is obliged to transmit its 37 payment order by the most expeditious available means, and to instruct

any intermediary bank accordingly. If a sender's instruction states a payment date, the receiving bank is obliged to transmit its payment order at a time and by means reasonably necessary to allow payment to the beneficiary on the payment date or as soon thereafter as is feasible.

6 (((2))) (b) Unless otherwise instructed, a receiving bank executing 7 a payment order may  $\left(\left(\frac{a}{a}\right)\right)$  (i) use any funds-transfer system if use of 8 that system is reasonable in the circumstances, and  $\left(\frac{b}{b}\right)$  (ii) issue a payment order to the beneficiary's bank or to an intermediary bank 9 10 through which a payment order conforming to the sender's order can expeditiously be issued to the beneficiary's bank if the receiving bank 11 12 exercises ordinary care in the selection of the intermediary bank. A 13 receiving bank is not required to follow an instruction of the sender 14 designating a funds-transfer system to be used in carrying out the funds transfer if the receiving bank, in good faith, determines that it 15 is not feasible to follow the instruction or that following the 16 17 instruction would unduly delay completion of the funds transfer.

18 (((3))) (c) Unless subsection (((1)(b))) (a)(2) of this section applies or the receiving bank is otherwise instructed, the bank may 19 execute a payment order by transmitting its payment order by first((-))20 21 class mail or by any means reasonable in the circumstances. If the 22 receiving bank is instructed to execute the sender's order by 23 transmitting its payment order by a particular means, the receiving 24 bank may issue its payment order by the means stated or by any means as 25 expeditious as the means stated.

(((4))) (d) Unless instructed by the sender, (((a))) (i) the receiving bank may not obtain payment of its charges for services and expenses in connection with the execution of the sender's order by issuing a payment order in an amount equal to the amount of the sender's order less the amount of the charges, and (((b))) (ii) may not instruct a subsequent receiving bank to obtain payment of its charges in the same manner.

33 Sec. 19. RCW 62A.4A-303 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-303 are each 34 amended to read as follows:

35 (((1))) (a) A receiving bank that (((a))) (i) executes the payment 36 order of the sender by issuing a payment order in an amount greater 37 than the amount of the sender's order, or (((b))) (ii) issues a payment order in execution of the sender's order and then issues a duplicate order, is entitled to payment of the amount of the sender's order under RCW 62A.4A-402(((3))) (c) if that subsection is otherwise satisfied. The bank is entitled to recover from the beneficiary of the erroneous order the excess payment received to the extent allowed by the law governing mistake and restitution.

7 (((2))) (b) A receiving bank that executes the payment order of the sender by issuing a payment order in an amount less than the amount of 8 the sender's order is entitled to payment of the amount of the sender's 9 10 order under RCW 62A.4A-402(((3))) (c) if (((a))) (i) that subsection is otherwise satisfied and  $\left(\frac{b}{b}\right)$  (ii) the bank corrects its mistake by 11 12 issuing an additional payment order for the benefit of the beneficiary 13 of the sender's order. If the error is not corrected, the issuer of 14 the erroneous order is entitled to receive or retain payment from the sender of the order it accepted only to the extent of the amount of the 15 erroneous order. This subsection does not apply if the receiving bank 16 17 executes the sender's payment order by issuing a payment order in an amount less than the amount of the sender's order for the purpose of 18 obtaining payment of its charges for services and expenses pursuant to 19 instruction of the sender. 20

21 (((3))) (c) If a receiving bank executes the payment order of the 22 sender by issuing a payment order to a beneficiary different from the beneficiary of the sender's order and the funds transfer is completed 23 24 on the basis of that error, the sender of the payment order that was 25 erroneously executed and all previous senders in the funds transfer are not obliged to pay the payment orders they issued. The issuer of the 26 27 erroneous order is entitled to recover from the beneficiary of the 28 order the payment received to the extent allowed by the law governing 29 mistake and restitution.

30 **Sec. 20.** RCW 62A.4A-304 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-304 are each 31 amended to read as follows:

If the sender of a payment order that is erroneously executed as stated in RCW 62A.4A-303 receives notification from the receiving bank that the order was executed or that the sender's account was debited with respect to the order, the sender has a duty to exercise ordinary care to determine, on the basis of information available to the sender, that the order was erroneously executed and to notify the bank of the

relevant facts within a reasonable time not exceeding ninety days after 1 2 the notification from the bank was received by the sender. If the 3 sender fails to perform that duty, the bank is not obliged to pay 4 any amount refundable to the sender under interest on RCW 62A.4A-402(((++))) (d) for the period before the bank learns of the 5 execution error. The bank is not entitled to any recovery from the б 7 sender on account of a failure by the sender to perform the duty stated 8 in this section.

9 Sec. 21. RCW 62A.4A-305 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-305 are each 10 amended to read as follows:

11 (((1))) (a) If a funds transfer is completed but execution of a 12 payment order by the receiving bank in breach of RCW 62A.4A-302 results 13 in delay in payment to the beneficiary, the bank is obliged to pay 14 interest to either the originator or the beneficiary of the funds 15 transfer for the period of delay caused by the improper execution. 16 Except as provided in subsection (((3))) (c) of this section, 17 additional damages are not recoverable.

18 (((2))) (b) If execution of a payment order by a receiving bank in breach of RCW 62A.4A-302 results in (((a))) (i) noncompletion of the 19 20 funds transfer, ((<del>(b)</del>)) <u>(ii)</u> failure to use an intermediary bank 21 designated by the originator, or (((c))) (iii) issuance of a payment 22 order that does not comply with the terms of the payment order of the originator, the bank is liable to the originator for its expenses in 23 the funds transfer and for incidental expenses and interest losses, to 24 25 the extent not covered by subsection (((1))) (a) of this section, 26 resulting from the improper execution. Except as provided in subsection (((3))) (c) of this section, additional damages are not 27 28 recoverable.

((<del>(3)</del>)) <u>(c)</u> In addition to the amounts payable under subsections ((<del>(1) and (2)</del>)) <u>(a) and (b)</u> of this section, damages, including consequential damages, are recoverable to the extent provided in an express written agreement of the receiving bank.

33 (((4))) (d) If a receiving bank fails to execute a payment order it 34 was obliged by express agreement to execute, the receiving bank is 35 liable to the sender for its expenses in the transaction and for 36 incidental expenses and interest losses resulting from the failure to execute. Additional damages, including consequential damages, are
 recoverable to the extent provided in an express written agreement of
 the receiving bank, but are not otherwise recoverable.

4 (((+5))) (e) Reasonable attorneys' fees are recoverable if demand for compensation under subsection  $\left(\left(\frac{1}{1} \text{ or } (2)\right)\right)$  (a) or (b) of this 5 section is made and refused before an action is brought on the claim. б 7 If a claim is made for breach of an agreement under subsection (((4)))8 (d) of this section and the agreement does not provide for damages, reasonable attorneys' fees are recoverable if demand for compensation 9 10 under subsection  $\left(\left(\frac{4}{4}\right)\right)$  (d) of this section is made and refused before an action is brought on the claim. 11

12 ((<del>(6)</del>)) <u>(f)</u> Except as stated in this section, the liability of a 13 receiving bank under subsections ((<del>(1) and (2)</del>)) <u>(a) and (b)</u> of this 14 section may not be varied by agreement.

15 Sec. 22. RCW 62A.4A-402 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-402 are each 16 amended to read as follows:

17 (((+))) (a) This section is subject to RCW 62A.4A-205 and 18 62A.4A-207.

19 (((2))) (b) With respect to a payment order issued to the 20 beneficiary's bank, acceptance of the order by the bank obliges the 21 sender to pay the bank the amount of the order, but payment is not due 22 until the payment date of the order.

23 (((3))) <u>(c)</u> This subsection is subject to subsection (((5))) <u>(e)</u> of 24 this section and to RCW 62A.4A-303. With respect to a payment order 25 issued to a receiving bank other than the beneficiary's bank, 26 acceptance of the order by the receiving bank obliges the sender to pay the bank the amount of the sender's order. Payment by the sender is 27 not due until the execution date of the sender's order. The obligation 28 29 of that sender to pay its payment order is excused if the funds transfer is not completed by acceptance by the beneficiary's bank of a 30 31 payment order instructing payment to the beneficiary of that sender's 32 payment order.

33 (((4))) (d) If the sender of a payment order pays the order and was 34 not obliged to pay all or part of the amount paid, the bank receiving 35 payment is obliged to refund payment to the extent the sender was not 36 obliged to pay. Except as provided in RCW 62A.4A-204 and 62A.4A-304, 37 interest is payable on the refundable amount from the date of payment.

(((+5))) (e) If a funds transfer is not completed as stated in 1 2 ((this subsection)) (c) of this section and an intermediary bank is obliged to refund payment as stated in subsection  $\left(\left(\frac{4}{4}\right)\right)$  (d) of this 3 section but is unable to do so because not permitted by applicable law 4 5 or because the bank suspends payments, a sender in the funds transfer that executed a payment order in compliance with an instruction, as 6 7 stated in RCW 62A.4A-302((((1)(a)))) (a)(1), to route the funds transfer 8 through that intermediary bank is entitled to receive or retain payment from the sender of the payment order that it accepted. 9 The first 10 sender in the funds transfer that issued an instruction requiring routing through that intermediary bank is subrogated to the right of 11 12 the bank that paid the intermediary bank to refund as stated in 13 subsection (((4))) (d) of this section.

(((+6))) (f) The right of the sender of a payment order to be 15 excused from the obligation to pay the order as stated in subsection ((+3)) (c) of this section or to receive refund under subsection ((+4)) (d) of this section may not be varied by agreement.

18 Sec. 23. RCW 62A.4A-403 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-403 are each 19 amended to read as follows:

20 (((+1))) (a) Payment of the sender's obligation under RCW 62A.4A-402 21 to pay the receiving bank occurs as follows:

((<del>(a)</del>)) <u>(1)</u> If the sender is a bank, payment occurs when the receiving bank receives final settlement of the obligation through a federal reserve bank or through a funds-transfer system.

(((b))) (2) If the sender is a bank and the sender (i) credited an account of the receiving bank with the sender, or (ii) caused an account of the receiving bank in another bank to be credited, payment occurs when the credit is withdrawn or, if not withdrawn, at midnight of the day on which the credit is withdrawable and the receiving bank learns of that fact.

31 (((c))) (3) If the receiving bank debits an account of the sender 32 with the receiving bank, payment occurs when the debit is made to the 33 extent the debit is covered by a withdrawable credit balance in the 34 account.

35 ((<del>(2)</del>)) <u>(b)</u> If the sender and receiving bank are members of a 36 funds-transfer system that nets obligations multilaterally among 37 participants, the receiving bank receives final settlement when

settlement is complete in accordance with the rules of the system. 1 The 2 obligation of the sender to pay the amount of a payment order 3 transmitted through the funds-transfer system may be satisfied, to the 4 extent permitted by the rules of the system, by setting off and applying against the sender's obligation the right of the sender to 5 б receive payment from the receiving bank of the amount of any other payment order transmitted to the sender by the receiving bank through 7 8 the funds-transfer system. The aggregate balance of obligations owed by each sender to each receiving bank in the funds-transfer system may 9 10 be satisfied, to the extent permitted by the rules of the system, by setting off and applying against that balance the aggregate balance of 11 12 obligations owed to the sender by other members of the system. The 13 aggregate balance is determined after the right of setoff stated in the second sentence of this subsection has been exercised. 14

15 (((3))) (c) If two banks transmit payment orders to each other 16 under an agreement that settlement of the obligations of each bank to 17 the other under RCW 62A.4A-402 will be made at the end of the day or 18 other period, the total amount owed with respect to all orders 19 transmitted by one bank shall be set off against the total amount owed 20 with respect to all orders transmitted by the other bank. To the 21 extent of the setoff, each bank has made payment to the other.

22 (((4))) (d) In a case not covered by subsection (((1))) (a) of this 23 section, the time when payment of the sender's obligation under RCW 24 62A.4A-402 (((2) or (3))) (b) or (c) occurs is governed by applicable 25 principles of law that determine when an obligation is satisfied.

26 **Sec. 24.** RCW 62A.4A-404 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-404 are each 27 amended to read as follows:

(((1))) (a) Subject to RCW 62A.4A-211(((5))) (e), 62A.4A-405(((4)))28 29 (d), and 62A.4A-405((<del>(5)</del>)) <u>(e)</u>, if a beneficiary's bank accepts a payment order, the bank is obliged to pay the amount of the order to 30 31 the beneficiary of the order. Payment is due on the payment date of the order, but if acceptance occurs on the payment date after the close 32 of the funds-transfer business day of the bank, payment is due on the 33 34 next funds-transfer business day. If the bank refuses to pay after 35 demand by the beneficiary and receipt of notice of particular 36 circumstances that will give rise to consequential damages as a result 37 of nonpayment, the beneficiary may recover damages resulting from the

refusal to pay to the extent the bank had notice of the damages, unless
 the bank proves that it did not pay because of a reasonable doubt
 concerning the right of the beneficiary to payment.

4 (((2))) (b) If a payment order accepted by the beneficiary's bank 5 instructs payment to an account of the beneficiary, the bank is obliged to notify the beneficiary of receipt of the order before midnight of 6 7 the next funds-transfer business day following the payment date. Ιf 8 the payment order does not instruct payment to an account of the beneficiary, the bank is required to notify the beneficiary only if 9 10 notice is required by the order. Notice may be given by first-class 11 mail or any other means reasonable in the circumstances. If the bank 12 fails to give the required notice, the bank is obliged to pay interest 13 to the beneficiary on the amount of the payment order from the day 14 notice should have been given until the day the beneficiary learned of receipt of the payment order by the bank. No other damages are 15 recoverable. Reasonable attorneys' fees are also recoverable if demand 16 17 for interest is made and refused before an action is brought on the 18 claim.

19 (((3))) (c) The right of a beneficiary to receive payment and damages as stated in subsection (a) ((<del>[subsection (1) of this</del> 20 21 section])) of this section may not be varied by agreement or a funds-22 transfer system rule. The right of a beneficiary to be notified as 23 stated in subsection  $\left(\left(\frac{2}{2}\right)\right)$  <u>(b)</u> of this section may be varied by 24 agreement of the beneficiary or by a funds-transfer system rule if the beneficiary is notified of the rule before initiation of the funds 25 26 transfer.

27 **Sec. 25.** RCW 62A.4A-405 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-405 are each 28 amended to read as follows:

 $(((1))) (a) \text{ If the beneficiary's bank credits an account of the beneficiary of a payment order, payment of the bank's obligation under RCW 62A.4A-404(((1))) (a) occurs when and to the extent (((a))) (i) the beneficiary is notified of the right to withdraw the credit, (((b))) (ii) the bank lawfully applies the credit to a debt of the beneficiary, or (((c))) (iii) funds with respect to the order are otherwise made available to the beneficiary by the bank.$ 

36 ((<del>(2)</del>)) <u>(b)</u> If the beneficiary's bank does not credit an account of

1 the beneficiary of a payment order, the time when payment of the bank's 2 obligation under RCW 62A.4A-404(((+1))) (a) occurs is governed by 3 principles of law that determine when an obligation is satisfied.

4 (((3))) (c) Except as stated in subsections (((4) and (5))) (d) and 5 (e) of this ((act [section])) section, if the beneficiary's bank pays 6 the beneficiary of a payment order under a condition to payment or 7 agreement of the beneficiary giving the bank the right to recover 8 payment from the beneficiary if the bank does not receive payment of 9 the order, the condition to payment or agreement is not enforceable.

10 (((4))) (d) A funds-transfer system rule may provide that payments 11 made to beneficiaries of funds transfers made through the system are 12 provisional until receipt of payment by the beneficiary's bank of the 13 payment order it accepted. A beneficiary's bank that makes a payment that is provisional under the rule is entitled to refund from the 14 beneficiary if  $\left(\left(\frac{a}{a}\right)\right)$  (i) the rule requires that both the beneficiary 15 and the originator be given notice of the provisional nature of the 16 17 payment before the funds transfer is initiated, (((b))) (ii) the 18 beneficiary, the beneficiary's bank and the originator's bank agreed to 19 be bound by the rule, and  $\left(\left(\frac{c}{c}\right)\right)$  (iii) the beneficiary's bank did not 20 receive payment of the payment order that it accepted. If the 21 beneficiary is obliged to refund payment to the beneficiary's bank, 22 acceptance of the payment order by the beneficiary's bank is nullified 23 and no payment by the originator of the funds transfer to the 24 beneficiary occurs under RCW 62A.4A-406.

(((5))) (e) This subsection applies to a funds transfer that 25 26 includes a payment order transmitted over a funds-transfer system that 27 (((<del>(a)</del>)) <u>(i)</u> nets obligations multilaterally among participants, and 28 (((<del>(b)</del>))) (<u>ii)</u> has in effect a loss-sharing agreement among participants for the purpose of providing funds necessary to complete settlement of 29 30 the obligations of one or more participants that do not meet their settlement obligations. If the beneficiary's bank in the funds 31 32 transfer accepts a payment order and the system fails to complete 33 settlement pursuant to its rules with respect to any payment order in the funds transfer, (i) the acceptance by the beneficiary's bank is 34 35 nullified and no person has any right or obligation based on the 36 acceptance, (ii) the beneficiary's bank is entitled to recover payment 37 from the beneficiary, (iii) no payment by the originator to the 38 beneficiary occurs under RCW 62A.4A-406, and (iv) subject to RCW

1 62A.4A-402(((5))) (e), ((each sender in the funds transfer is excused from its obligation to pay its payment order under RCW 62A.4A-402(5),)) each sender in the funds transfer is excused from its obligation to pay its payment order under RCW 62A.4A-402(((3))) (c) because the funds transfer has not been completed.

6 Sec. 26. RCW 62A.4A-406 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-406 are each 7 amended to read as follows:

8 (((1))) (a) Subject to RCW 62A.4A-211(((5))) (e), 62A.4A-405(((4))) 9 (d), and 62A.4A-405(((5))) (e), the originator of a funds transfer pays 10 the beneficiary of the originator's payment order (((a))) (i) at the 11 time a payment order for the benefit of the beneficiary is accepted by 12 the beneficiary's bank in the funds transfer and (((b))) (ii) in an 13 amount equal to the amount of the order accepted by the beneficiary's 14 bank, but not more than the amount of the originator's order.

((<del>(2)</del>)) (b) If payment under subsection ((<del>(1)</del>)) (a) of this section 15 16 is made to satisfy an obligation, the obligation is discharged to the 17 same extent discharge would result from payment to the beneficiary of the same amount in money, unless  $\left(\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\right)$  (i) the payment under 18 subsection  $\left(\left(\frac{1}{1}\right)\right)$  (a) of this section was made by a means prohibited 19 20 by the contract of the beneficiary with respect to the obligation, 21  $((\frac{b}{b}))$  (ii) the beneficiary, within a reasonable time after receiving 22 notice of receipt of the order by the beneficiary's bank, notified the 23 originator of the beneficiary's refusal of the payment, ((<del>(c)</del>)) <u>(iii)</u> 24 funds with respect to the order were not withdrawn by the beneficiary 25 or applied to a debt of the beneficiary, and  $\left(\left(\frac{d}{d}\right)\right)$  (iv) the 26 beneficiary would suffer a loss that could reasonably have been avoided 27 if payment had been made by a means complying with the contract. Ιf payment by the originator does not result in discharge under this 28 29 section, the originator is subrogated to the rights of the beneficiary beneficiary's 30 to receive payment from the bank under RCW 31 62A.4A-404(((+1)))) (a).

32 (((3))) (c) For the purpose of determining whether discharge of an 33 obligation occurs under subsection (((2))) (b) of this section, if the 34 beneficiary's bank accepts a payment order in an amount equal to the 35 amount of the originator's payment order less charges of one or more 36 receiving banks in the funds transfer, payment to the beneficiary is 1 deemed to be in the amount of the originator's order unless upon demand 2 by the beneficiary the originator does not pay the beneficiary the 3 amount of the deducted charges.

4 ((<del>(4)</del>)) <u>(d)</u> Rights of the originator or of the beneficiary of a 5 funds transfer under this section may be varied only by agreement of 6 the originator and the beneficiary.

7 Sec. 27. RCW 62A.4A-501 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-501 are each 8 amended to read as follows:

9 ((<del>(1)</del>)) <u>(a)</u> Except as otherwise provided in this Article, the 10 rights and obligations of a party to a funds transfer may be varied by 11 agreement of the affected party.

12 (((<del>(2)</del>)) (b) "Funds-transfer system rule" means a rule of an 13 association of banks  $\left(\left(\frac{a}{a}\right)\right)$  (i) governing transmission of payment 14 orders by means of a funds-transfer system of the association or rights and obligations with respect to those orders, or (((b))) (ii) to the 15 16 extent the rule governs rights and obligations between banks that are 17 parties to a funds transfer in which a federal reserve bank, acting as an intermediary bank, sends a payment order to the beneficiary's bank. 18 Except as otherwise provided in this Article, a funds-transfer system 19 20 rule governing rights and obligations between participating banks using 21 the system may be effective even if the rule conflicts with ((the)) 22 this Article and indirectly affects another party to the funds transfer 23 who does not consent to the rule. A funds-transfer system rule may 24 also govern rights and obligations of parties other than participating 25 banks using the system to the extent stated in RCW 62A.4A-404(((3)))26 (c), 62A.4A-405(((++))) (d), and 62A.4A-507((++))) (c).

27 **Sec. 28.** RCW 62A.4A-502 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-502 are each 28 amended to read as follows:

29 ((<del>(1)</del>)) <u>(a)</u> As used in this section, "creditor process" means levy, 30 attachment, garnishment, notice of lien, sequestration, or similar 31 process issued by or on behalf of a creditor or other claimant with 32 respect to an account.

33 (((2))) (b) This subsection applies to creditor process with 34 respect to an authorized account of the sender of a payment order if 35 the creditor process is served on the receiving bank. For the purpose 36 of determining rights with respect to the creditor process, if the

receiving bank accepts the payment order the balance in the authorized account is deemed to be reduced by the amount of the payment order to the extent the bank did not otherwise receive payment of the order, unless the creditor process is served at ((the)) <u>a</u> time and in a manner affording the bank a reasonable opportunity to act on it before the bank accepts the payment order.

7 (((3))) (c) If a beneficiary's bank has received a payment order 8 for payment to the beneficiary's account in the bank, the following 9 rules apply:

10 (((a))) (1) The bank may credit the beneficiary's account. The 11 amount credited may be set off against an obligation owed by the 12 beneficiary to the bank or may be applied to satisfy creditor process 13 served on the bank with respect to the account.

14 ((<del>(b)</del>)) <u>(2)</u> The bank may credit the beneficiary's account and allow 15 withdrawal of the amount credited unless creditor process with respect 16 to the account is served at ((the)) <u>a</u> time and in a manner affording 17 the bank a reasonable opportunity to act to prevent withdrawal.

18 (((-))) (3) If creditor process with respect to the beneficiary's 19 account has been served and the bank has had a reasonable opportunity 20 to act on it, the bank may not reject the payment order except for a 21 reason unrelated to the service of process.

(((4))) (d) Creditor process with respect to a payment by the originator to the beneficiary pursuant to a funds transfer may be served only on the beneficiary's bank with respect to the debt owed by that bank to the beneficiary. Any other bank served with the creditor process is not obliged to act with respect to the process.

27 **Sec. 29.** RCW 62A.4A-503 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-503 are each 28 amended to read as follows:

29 For proper cause and in compliance with applicable law, a court may 30 restrain  $\left(\left(\frac{1}{1}\right)\right)$  <u>(i)</u> a person from issuing a payment order to initiate 31 a funds transfer,  $\left(\left(\frac{2}{2}\right)\right)$  (ii) an originator's bank from executing the payment order of the originator, or (((3))) <u>(iii)</u> the beneficiary's 32 bank from releasing funds to the beneficiary or the beneficiary from 33 withdrawing the funds. A court may not otherwise restrain a person 34 35 from issuing a payment order, paying or receiving payment of a payment 36 order, or otherwise acting with respect to a funds transfer.

1 Sec. 30. RCW 62A.4A-504 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-504 are each
2 amended to read as follows:

3 (((1))) (a) If a receiving bank has received more than one payment 4 order of the sender or one or more payment orders and other items that 5 are payable from the sender's account, the bank may charge the sender's 6 account with respect to the various orders and items in any sequence.

7 ((<del>(2)</del>)) <u>(b)</u> In determining whether a credit to an account has been 8 withdrawn by the holder of the account or applied to a debt of the 9 holder of the account, credits first made to the account are first 10 withdrawn or applied.

Sec. 31. RCW 62A.4A-506 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-506 are each amended to read as follows:

13 (((1))) (a) If, under this Article, a receiving bank is obliged to 14 pay interest with respect to a payment order issued to the bank, the 15 amount payable may be determined (((a))) (i) by agreement of the sender 16 and receiving bank, or (((b))) (ii) by a funds-transfer system rule if 17 the payment order is transmitted through a funds-transfer system.

18 (((2))) (b) If the amount of interest is not determined by an agreement or rule as stated in subsection  $\left(\frac{1}{1}\right)$  (a) of this section, 19 20 the amount is calculated by multiplying the applicable federal funds 21 rate by the amount on which interest is payable, and then multiplying 22 the product by the number of days for which interest is payable. The 23 applicable federal funds rate is the average of the federal funds rates published by the federal reserve bank of New York for each of the days 24 25 for which interest is payable divided by three hundred sixty. The 26 federal funds rate for any day on which a published rate is not 27 available is the same as the published rate for the next preceding day 28 for which there is a published rate. If a receiving bank that accepted 29 a payment order is required to refund payment to the sender of the order because the funds transfer was not completed, but the failure to 30 31 complete was not due to any fault by the bank, the interest payable is 32 reduced by a percentage equal to the reserve requirement on deposits of the receiving bank. 33

34 **Sec. 32.** RCW 62A.4A-507 and 1991 sp.s. c 21 s 4A-507 are each 35 amended to read as follows:

1 (((1))) (a) The following rules apply unless the affected parties 2 otherwise agree or subsection (((3))) (c) of this section applies $((\dot{\tau}))$ :

3 ((<del>(a)</del>)) <u>(1)</u> The rights and obligations between the sender of a 4 payment order and the receiving bank are governed by the law of the 5 jurisdiction in which the receiving bank is located.

6 (((b))) (2) The rights and obligations between the beneficiary's
7 bank and the beneficiary are governed by the law of the jurisdiction in
8 which the beneficiary's bank is located.

9 ((<del>(c)</del>)) <u>(3)</u> The issue of when payment is made pursuant to a funds 10 transfer by the originator to the beneficiary is governed by the law of 11 the jurisdiction in which the beneficiary's bank is located.

12 ((<del>(2)</del>)) (b) If the parties described in each paragraph of 13 subsection ((<del>(1)</del>)) (a) of this section have made an agreement selecting 14 the law of a particular jurisdiction to govern rights and obligations 15 between each other, the law of that jurisdiction governs those rights 16 and obligations, whether or not the payment order or the funds transfer 17 bears a reasonable relation to that jurisdiction.

18 (((3))) (c) A funds-transfer system rule may select the law of a 19 particular jurisdiction to govern  $\left(\left(\frac{a}{a}\right)\right)$  <u>(i)</u> rights and obligations between participating banks with respect to payment orders transmitted 20 21 or processed through the system, or (((b))) (ii) the rights and 22 obligations of some or all parties to a funds transfer any part of 23 which is carried out by means of the system. A choice of law made 24 pursuant to (((a))) clause (i) of this subsection is binding on participating banks. A choice of law made pursuant to (((b))) clause 25 26 (ii) of this subsection is binding on the originator, other sender, or 27 a receiving bank having notice that the funds-transfer system might be used in the funds transfer and of the choice of law by the system when 28 the originator, other sender, or receiving bank issued or accepted a 29 30 payment order. The beneficiary of a funds transfer is bound by the choice of law if, when the funds transfer is initiated, the beneficiary 31 has notice that the funds-transfer system might be used in the funds 32 33 transfer and of the choice of law by the system. The law of a jurisdiction selected pursuant to this subsection may govern, whether 34 35 or not that law bears a reasonable relation to the matter in issue.

36 (((++))) (d) In the event of inconsistency between an agreement 37 under subsection ((++)) (b) of this section and a choice-of-law rule 1 under subsection (((3))) <u>(c)</u> of this section, the agreement under 2 subsection (((2))) <u>(b)</u> of this section prevails.

3 ((<del>(5)</del>)) <u>(e)</u> If a funds transfer is made by use of more than one 4 funds-transfer system and there is inconsistency between choice-of-law 5 rules of the systems, the matter in issue is governed by the law of the 6 selected jurisdiction that has the most significant relationship to the 7 matter in issue.

8 Sec. 33. RCW 62A.9A-502 and 2000 c 250 s 9A-502 are each amended 9 to read as follows:

(a) Sufficiency of financing statement. Subject to subsection (b)
 of this section, a financing statement is sufficient only if it:

12 (1) Provides the name of the debtor;

(2) Provides the name of the secured party or a representative ofthe secured party; and

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(3) Indicates the collateral covered by the financing statement.

(b) Real-property-related financing statements. Except as otherwise provided in RCW 62A.9A-501(b), to be sufficient, a financing statement that covers as-extracted collateral or timber to be cut, or which is filed as a fixture filing and covers goods that are or are to become fixtures, must satisfy subsection (a) of this section and also:

21 (1) Indicate that it covers this type of collateral;

(2) Indicate that it is to be filed for record in the real propertyrecords;

(3) Provide a description of the real property to which the
collateral is related sufficient to give constructive notice of a
mortgage under the law of this state if the description were contained
in a record of the mortgage of the real property; and

(4) If the debtor does not have an interest of record in the realproperty, provide the name of a record owner.

30 (c) **Record of mortgage as financing statement.** A record of a 31 mortgage is effective, from the date of recording, as a financing 32 statement filed as a fixture filing or as a financing statement 33 covering as-extracted collateral or timber to be cut only if:

34 (1) The record indicates the goods or accounts that it covers;

35 (2) The goods are or are to become fixtures related to the real 36 property described in the record or the collateral is related to the 1 real property described in the record and is as-extracted collateral or 2 timber to be cut;

3 (3) The record satisfies the requirements for a financing statement
4 in this section ((other than an indication)), but:

5 (A) The record need not indicate that it is to be filed in the real 6 property records; and

7 (B) The record sufficiently provides the name of a debtor who is an 8 individual if it provides the individual name of the debtor or the 9 surname and first personal name of the debtor, even if the debtor is an 10 individual to whom RCW 62A.9A-503(a)(4) applies; and

11 (4) The record is recorded.

(d) Filing before security agreement or attachment. A financing
statement may be filed before a security agreement is made or a
security interest otherwise attaches.

15 Sec. 34. RCW 62A.9A-503 and 2011 c 74 s 401 are each amended to 16 read as follows:

17 (a) Sufficiency of debtor's name. A financing statement
18 sufficiently provides the name of the debtor:

(1) Except as otherwise provided in (3) of this subsection (a), if 19 20 the debtor is a registered organization or the collateral is held in a 21 trust that is a registered organization, only if the financing 22 statement provides the name that is stated to be the registered 23 organization's name on the public organic record most recently filed 24 with or issued or enacted by the registered organization's jurisdiction 25 of organization which purports to state, amend, or restate the 26 registered organization's name;

(2) Subject to subsection (f) of this section, if the collateral is being administered by the personal representative of a decedent, only if the financing statement provides, as the name of the debtor, the name of the decedent and, in a separate part of the financing statement, indicates that the collateral is being administered by a personal representative;

33 (3) If the collateral is held in a trust that is not a registered 34 organization, only if the financing statement:

35 (A) Provides, as the name of the debtor:

36 (i) If the organic record of the trust specifies a name for the 37 trust, the name specified; or

- (ii) If the organic record of the trust does not specify a name for
   the trust, the name of the settlor or testator; and
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(B) In a separate part of the financing statement:

4 (i) If the name is provided in accordance with (3)(A)(i) of this
5 subsection, indicates that the collateral is held in a trust; or

(ii) If the name is provided in accordance with (3)(A)(ii) of this
subsection, provides additional information sufficient to distinguish
the trust from other trusts having one or more of the same settlors or
the same testator and indicates that the collateral is held in a trust,
unless the additional information so indicates;

11 (4) <u>Subject to subsection (g) of this section, if</u> the debtor is an 12 individual <u>to whom this state has issued a driver's license or</u> 13 <u>identification card that has not expired</u>, only if the financing 14 statement((÷

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(A) Provides the individual name of the debtor;

16 (B) Provides the surname and first personal name of the debtor; or

17 (C) Subject to subsection (g) of this section,)) provides the name 18 of the individual which is indicated on ((a)) the driver's license or 19 identification card ((that this state has issued to the individual and 20 which has not expired));

21 (5) If the debtor is an individual to whom (4) of this subsection 22 (a) does not apply, only if the financing statement provides the 23 individual name of the debtor or the surname and first personal name of 24 the debtor; and

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((<del>(5)</del>)) <u>(6)</u> In other cases:

26 (A) If the debtor has a name, only if the financing statement27 provides the organizational name of the debtor; and

(B) If the debtor does not have a name, only if the financing statement provides the names of the partners, members, associates, or other persons comprising the debtor, in a manner that each name provided would be sufficient if the person named were the debtor.

32 (b) Additional debtor-related information. A financing statement
33 that provides the name of the debtor in accordance with subsection (a)
34 of this section is not rendered ineffective by the absence of:

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(1) A trade name or other name of the debtor; or

(2) Unless required under subsection ((((a)(5)(B)))) (a)(6)(B) of
 this section, names of partners, members, associates, or other persons
 comprising the debtor.

1 (c) **Debtor's trade name insufficient.** A financing statement that 2 provides only the debtor's trade name does not sufficiently provide the 3 name of the debtor.

4 (d) Representative capacity. Failure to indicate the
5 representative capacity of a secured party or representative of a
6 secured party does not affect the sufficiency of a financing statement.

7 (e) Multiple debtors and secured parties. A financing statement
8 may provide the name of more than one debtor and the name of more than
9 one secured party.

10 (f) Name of decedent. The name of the decedent indicated on the 11 order appointing the personal representative of the decedent issued by 12 the court having jurisdiction over the collateral is sufficient as the 13 "name of the decedent" under subsection (a)(2) of this section.

14 (g) Multiple driver's licenses. If this state has issued to an 15 individual more than one driver's license or identification card of a 16 kind described in subsection (a)(4) of this section, the one that was 17 issued most recently is the one to which subsection (a)(4) of this 18 section refers.

19 (h) **Definition.** In this section, the "name of the settlor or 20 testator" means:

(1) If the settlor is a registered organization, the name that is stated to be the settlor's name on the public organic record most recently filed with or issued or enacted by the settlor's jurisdiction of organization which purports to state, amend, or restate the settlor's name; or

(2) In other cases, the name of the settlor or testator indicatedin the trust's organic record.

28 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 35. Section captions as used in this act are 29 law.

30 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 36. Sections 33 and 34 of this act are 31 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, 32 or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public 33 institutions, and take effect July 1, 2013.

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