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# SENATE BILL NOS. 3 & 69

### **102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

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## AN ACT

To repeal sections 135.460, 287.037, 347.010, 347.015, 347.017, 347.020, 347.025, 347.030, 347.033, 347.035, 347.037, 347.039, 347.041, 347.043, 347.045, 347.047, 347.048, 347.049, 347.051, 347.053, 347.055, 347.057, 347.059, 347.061, 347.063, 347.065, 347.067, 347.069, 347.071, 347.073, 347.075, 347.077, 347.079, 347.081, 347.083, 347.085, 347.088, 347.090, 347.091, 347.093, 347.095, 347.097, 347.099, 347.101, 347.103, 347.105, 347.107, 347.109, 347.111, 347.113, 347.115, 347.117, 347.119, 347.121, 347.123, 347.125, 347.127, 347.128, 347.129, 347.131, 347.133, 347.135, 347.137, 347.139, 347.141, 347.143, 347.145, 347.147, 347.149, 347.151, 347.153, 347.155, 347.157, 347.160, 347.161, 347.163, 347.165, 347.167, 347.169, 347.171, 347.173, 347.175, 347.177, 347.179, 347.181, 347.183, 347.185, 347.186, 347.187, 347.189, 347.700, 347.705, 347.710, 347.720, 356.071, 431.202, 536.050, 536.300, 536.303, 536.305, 536.310, 536.315, 536.323, 536.325, and 536.328, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one hundred thirty-six new sections relating to business organizations, with a delayed effective date for a certain section.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 135.460, 287.037, 347.010, 347.015, 347.017, 347.020, 347.025,
347.030, 347.033, 347.035, 347.037, 347.039, 347.041, 347.043, 347.045, 347.047, 347.048,
347.049, 347.051, 347.053, 347.055, 347.057, 347.059, 347.061, 347.063, 347.065, 347.067,
347.069, 347.071, 347.073, 347.075, 347.077, 347.079, 347.081, 347.083, 347.085, 347.088,
347.090, 347.091, 347.093, 347.095, 347.097, 347.099, 347.101, 347.103, 347.105, 347.107,
347.109, 347.111, 347.113, 347.115, 347.117, 347.119, 347.121, 347.123, 347.125, 347.127,

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

7 347.128, 347.129, 347.131, 347.133, 347.135, 347.137, 347.139, 347.141, 347.143, 347.145, 8 347.147, 347.149, 347.151, 347.153, 347.155, 347.157, 347.160, 347.161, 347.163, 347.165, 9 347.167, 347.169, 347.171, 347.173, 347.175, 347.177, 347.179, 347.181, 347.183, 347.185, 10 347.186, 347.187, 347.189, 347.700, 347.705, 347.710, 347.720, 356.071, 431.202, 536.050, 11 536.300, 536.303, 536.305, 536.310, 536.315, 536.323, 536.325, and 536.328, RSMo, are 12 repealed and one hundred thirty-six new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as 13 sections 34.195, 135.460, 287.037, 347.700, 347.705, 347.710, 347.720, 347.1000, 347.1002, 14 347.1004, 347.1006, 347.1008, 347.1010, 347.1012, 347.1014, 347.1016, 347.1018, 15 347.1020, 347.1022, 347.1024, 347.1026, 347.1028, 347.1030, 347.1032, 347.1034, 16 347.1036, 347.1038, 347.1040, 347.1042, 347.1044, 347.1046, 347.1048, 347.1050, 17 347.1052, 347.1054, 347.1056, 347.1058, 347.1060, 347.1062, 347.1064, 347.1066, 18 347.1068, 347.1070, 347.1072, 347.1074, 347.1076, 347.1078, 347.1080, 347.1082, 19 347.1084, 347.1086, 347.1088, 347.1090, 347.1092, 347.1094, 347.1096, 347.1098, 20 347.1100, 347.1102, 347.1104, 347.1106, 347.1108, 347.1110, 347.1112, 347.1114, 21 347.1116, 347.1118, 347.1120, 347.1122, 347.1124, 347.1126, 347.1128, 347.1130, 22 347.1132, 347.1134, 347.1136, 347.1138, 347.1140, 347.1142, 347.1144, 347.1146, 23 347.1148, 347.1150, 347.1152, 347.1154, 347.1156, 347.1158, 347.1160, 347.1162, 24 347.1164, 347.1166, 347.1168, 347.1170, 347.1172, 347.1174, 347.1176, 347.1178, 25 347.1180, 347.1182, 347.1184, 347.1186, 347.1188, 347.1190, 347.1192, 347.1194, 26 347.1196, 347.1198, 347.1200, 347.1202, 347.1204, 347.1206, 347.1208, 347.1210, 27 347.1212, 347.1214, 347.1216, 347.1218, 347.1220, 347.1222, 347.1224, 347.1226, 28 347.1228, 356.071, 407.205, 407.2110, 431.202, 536.050, 536.300, 620.3800, 620.3900, 29 620.3905, 620.3910, 620.3915, 620.3920, 620.3925, and 620.3930, to read as follows:

**34.195.** 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Right-to-Start 2 Act".

2. No later than June 30, 2025, and annually thereafter, the commissioner of 4 administration shall file a report with the general assembly that includes, but is not 5 limited to:

6 (1) The number of contracts awarded to businesses that have been in operation 7 for less than three years;

8 (2) The percentage of the number of contracts awarded to businesses that have 9 been in operation for less than three years compared to the total number of contracts 10 awarded;

(3) The total dollar amount of all contracts awarded to businesses that have been
in operation for less than three years;

(4) The percentage of the total dollar amount of contracts awarded to businesses
 that have been in operation for less than three years compared to the total dollar
 amount of contracts awarded; and

16 (5) The number and total dollar amount of contracts awarded to businesses 17 owned by each racial minority group, as such term is defined in section 37.013, women-18 owned businesses, and veteran-owned businesses compared to the total number and 19 dollar amount of contracts awarded.

20 3. The commissioner of administration, in conjunction with the office of 21 entrepreneurship under section 620.3800, shall produce and file a report with the 22 general assembly making recommendations on improving access and resources for new 23 Missouri businesses that have been in operation for less than three years on or before 24 January 1, 2025. The report shall also include recommendations on improving access 25 and resources for new businesses owned by a racial minority group, as such term is defined in section 37.013, women-owned businesses, and veteran-owned Missouri 26 27 businesses that have been in operation for less than three years on or before January 1, 28 2025.

135.460. 1. This section and sections 620.1100 and 620.1103 shall be known and 2 may be cited as the "Youth Opportunities and Violence Prevention Act".

2. As used in this section, the term "taxpayer" shall include corporations as defined in section 143.441 or 143.471, any charitable organization which is exempt from federal income tax and whose Missouri unrelated business taxable income, if any, would be subject to the state income tax imposed under chapter 143, and individuals, individual proprietorships and partnerships.

8 3. A taxpayer shall be allowed a tax credit against the tax otherwise due pursuant to chapter 143, excluding withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265, chapter 147, 9 chapter 148, or chapter 153 in an amount equal to thirty percent for property contributions 10 and fifty percent for monetary contributions of the amount such taxpayer contributed to the 11 12 programs described in subsection 5 of this section, not to exceed two hundred thousand 13 dollars per taxable year, per taxpayer; except as otherwise provided in subdivision (5) of 14 subsection 5 of this section. The department of economic development shall prescribe the method for claiming the tax credits allowed in this section. No rule or portion of a rule 15 promulgated under the authority of this section shall become effective unless it has been 16 17 promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter 536. All rulemaking authority delegated prior to June 27, 1997, is of no force and effect and repealed; however, nothing in this section 18 19 shall be interpreted to repeal or affect the validity of any rule filed or adopted prior to June 27, 20 1997, if such rule complied with the provisions of chapter 536. The provisions of this section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly 21

pursuant to chapter 536, including the ability to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule or portion of a rule, are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the purported grant of rulemaking authority and any rule so proposed and contained in the order of rulemaking shall be invalid and void.

4. The tax credits allowed by this section shall be claimed by the taxpayer to offset the taxes that become due in the taxpayer's tax period in which the contribution was made. Any tax credit not used in such tax period may be carried over the next five succeeding tax periods.

5. The tax credit allowed by this section may only be claimed for monetary or property contributions to public or private programs authorized to participate pursuant to this section by the department of economic development and may be claimed for the development, establishment, implementation, operation, and expansion of the following activities and programs:

(1) An adopt-a-school program. Components of the adopt-a-school program shall
 include donations for school activities, seminars, and functions; school-business employment
 programs; and the donation of property and equipment of the corporation to the school;

38 (2) Expansion of programs to encourage school dropouts to reenter and complete high39 school or to complete a graduate equivalency degree program;

40 (3) Employment programs. Such programs shall initially, but not exclusively, target 41 unemployed youth living in poverty and youth living in areas with a high incidence of crime;

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(4) New or existing youth clubs or associations;

43 (5) Employment/internship/apprenticeship programs in business or trades for persons 44 less than twenty years of age, in which case the tax credit claimed pursuant to this section 45 shall be equal to one-half of the amount paid to the intern or apprentice in that tax year, except 46 that such credit shall not exceed ten thousand dollars per person;

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(6) Mentor and role model programs;

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(7) Drug and alcohol abuse prevention training programs for youth;

49 (8) Donation of property or equipment of the taxpayer to schools, including schools 50 which primarily educate children who have been expelled from other schools, or donation of 51 the same to municipalities, or not-for-profit corporations or other not-for-profit organizations 52 which offer programs dedicated to youth violence prevention as authorized by the 53 department;

54 (9) Not-for-profit, private or public youth activity centers;

55 (10) Nonviolent conflict resolution and mediation programs;

56 (11) Youth outreach and counseling programs.

57 6. Any program authorized in subsection 5 of this section shall, at least annually, 58 submit a report to the department of economic development outlining the purpose and

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objectives of such program, the number of youth served, the specific activities provided
pursuant to such program, the duration of such program and recorded youth attendance where
applicable.

7. The department of economic development shall, at least annually submit a report to
the Missouri general assembly listing the organizations participating, services offered and the
number of youth served as the result of the implementation of this section.

65 8. The tax credit allowed by this section shall apply to all taxable years beginning 66 after December 31, 1995.

9. For the purposes of the credits described in this section, in the case of a corporation
described in section 143.471, partnership, limited liability company described in section
[347.015] 347.1002, cooperative, marketing enterprise, or partnership, in computing
Missouri's tax liability, such credits shall be allowed to the following:

(1) The shareholders of the corporation described in section 143.471;

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(2) The partners of the partnership;

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- (3) The members of the limited liability company; and(4) Individual members of the cooperative or marketing enterprise.
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76 Such credits shall be apportioned to the entities described in subdivisions (1) and (2) of this 77 subsection in proportion to their share of ownership on the last day of the taxpayer's tax

78 period.

287.037. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, beginning January 1, 1997, those insurance companies providing coverage pursuant to chapter 287, to a 2 limited liability company, as defined in section [347.015] 347.1002, shall provide coverage 3 4 for the employees of the limited liability company who are not members of the limited liability company. Members of the limited liability company, as defined in section [347.015] 5 6 347.1002, shall also be provided coverage pursuant to chapter 287, but such members may 7 individually elect to reject such coverage by providing a written notice of such rejection on a 8 form developed by the department of commerce and insurance to the limited liability 9 company and its insurer. Failure to provide notice to the limited liability company shall not be grounds for any member to claim that the rejection of such coverage is not legally 10 effective. A member who elects to reject such coverage shall not thereafter be entitled to 11 workers' compensation benefits under the policy, even if serving or working in the capacity of 12 13 an employee of the limited liability company, at least until such time as said member provides 14 the limited liability company and its insurer with a written notice which rescinds the prior 15 rejection of such coverage. The written notice which rescinds the prior rejection of such coverage shall be on a form developed by the department of commerce and insurance. Any 16 rescission shall be prospective in nature and shall entitle the member only to such benefits 17

18 which accrue on or after the date the notice of rescission form is received by the insurance19 company.

20 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, beginning January 1, 2018, a shareholder of an S corporation, as defined in subsection 1 of section 143.471, with at 21 22 least forty percent or greater interest in the S corporation, may individually elect to reject 23 coverage under this chapter by providing a written notice of such rejection to the S 24 corporation and its insurer. Failure to provide notice to the S corporation shall not be grounds for any shareholder to claim that the rejection of such coverage is not legally effective. A 25 26 shareholder who elects to reject such coverage shall not thereafter be entitled to workers' compensation benefits under the policy, even if serving or working in the capacity of an 27 28 employee of the S corporation, at least until such time as such shareholder provides the S corporation and its insurer with a written notice that rescinds the prior rejection of such 29 30 coverage. Any rescission shall be prospective in nature and shall entitle the shareholder only to such benefits that accrue on or after the date the notice of rescission is received by the 31 32 insurance company.

347.700. 1. A merger or consolidation solely between any two or more domestic
corporations or one or more domestic corporations and one or more foreign corporations shall
be governed by and subject to chapter 351 or 355, as is applicable.

2. A merger or consolidation solely between any two or more domestic general
partnerships or one or more domestic general partnerships and one or more foreign general
partnerships shall be governed by and subject to section 358.520.

7 3. A merger or consolidation solely between any two or more domestic limited 8 partnerships or one or more domestic limited partnerships and one or more foreign limited 9 partnerships shall be governed by and subject to section 359.165.

4. A merger or consolidation solely between any two or more domestic limited
 liability companies or one or more domestic limited liability companies and one or more
 foreign limited liability companies shall be governed by sections [347.127 to 347.133]
 347.1164 to 347.1222.

5. A business combination involving any resident domestic corporation and any
interested shareholder of such resident domestic corporation shall be governed by and subject
to section 351.459.

6. Subject to the provisions of this section, any merger or consolidation between one or more domestic corporations and any one or more constituent entities at least one of which is not a corporation, one or more domestic general partnerships and any one or more constituent entities at least one of which is not a general partnership, one or more domestic limited partnerships and any one or more constituent entities at least one of which is not a limited partnership, one or more domestic limited liability partnerships and any one or more

constituent entities at least one of which is not a limited liability partnership, or one or more domestic limited liability limited partnerships and any one or more constituent entities at least one of which is not a limited liability limited partnership[, or one or more domestic limited liability companies and any one or more constituent entities at least one of which is not a limited liability company] shall be governed by and subject to the provisions of sections

28 347.700 to 347.735.

347.705. As used in sections 347.700 to 347.735, the following terms mean:

2 (1) "Constituent entity", each person that is a party to a merger or consolidation 3 subject to sections 347.700 to 347.735;

4 (2) "New entity", the person into which constituent entities consolidate, as identified 5 in the agreement of consolidation or articles of consolidation provided for in sections 347.700 6 to 347.735;

7 "Organizational document", with respect to a corporation, its articles of (3) corporation or their equivalent, with respect to a general partnership, its fictitious name 8 registration or its equivalent, with respect to a limited partnership, its certificate of limited 9 10 partnership or its equivalent, [with respect to a limited liability company, its articles of organization or their equivalent,] with respect to a limited liability partnership, its registration 11 12 as a limited liability partnership or its equivalent, with respect to a limited liability limited partnership, its certificate of limited partnership and its registration as a limited liability 13 partnership or their equivalent, and with respect to any other type of person, the documents, if 14 any, necessary to form and organize such person under the laws of the jurisdiction under 15 16 which such person was or is formed and organized;

(4) "Person", a domestic or foreign general partnership, limited partnership, limited
liability partnership, limited liability limited partnership, [limited liability company,]
corporation, trust, business trust, real estate investment trust and other association or
business entity;

(5) "Surviving entity", the constituent entity surviving a merger, as identified in the
agreement of merger or articles of merger provided for in sections 347.700 to 347.735.

347.710. Subject to the provisions of sections 347.700 to 347.735, any one or more domestic corporations may merge or consolidate into or with any one or more persons at least one of which is not a corporation, any one or more domestic general partnerships may merge or consolidate into or with any one or more persons at least one of which is not a general partnership, any one or more domestic limited partnerships may merge or consolidate into or with any one or more persons at least one of which is not a limited partnership, **and** any one or more domestic limited liability limited partnerships may merge or consolidate into or with any one or more persons at least one of which is not a limited partnership, **and** any one or more persons at least one of which is not a limited partnership, **and** any one

9 and any one or more domestic limited liability companies may merge or consolidate into or

10 with any one or more persons at least one of which is not a limited liability company].

347.720. 1. The agreement of merger or consolidation required by section 347.7152 shall be authorized and approved in the following manner:

- 3 (1) A constituent entity that is a domestic general partnership shall have the 4 agreement of merger or consolidation authorized and approved by all of the partners, unless 5 otherwise provided in the articles or agreement of partnership;
- 6 (2) A constituent entity that is a domestic limited partnership shall have the 7 agreement of merger or consolidation approved by all general partners and by all of the 8 limited partners unless otherwise provided in the articles or agreement of limited partnership;

9 (3) A constituent entity that is a domestic corporation shall have the agreement of 10 merger or consolidation approved in the manner applicable to a merger of two or more 11 domestic corporations as provided in chapter 351 or 355, as is applicable; **and** 

(4) [A constituent entity that is a domestic limited liability company shall have the
 agreement of merger or consolidation approved in the manner provided in section 347.079;
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15 (5)] Each constituent entity formed under the laws of a jurisdiction other than this 16 state shall have the agreement of merger or consolidation approved in accordance with the 17 laws of such other jurisdiction.

18 2. The fact that the agreement of merger or consolidation has been authorized and 19 approved in accordance with this section shall be certified on the agreement of merger or 20 consolidation on behalf of each constituent entity:

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(1) In the case of any domestic general or limited partnership, by any general partner;

- (2) In the case of any domestic corporation, by its president or a vice president, andby its secretary or an assistant secretary; and
- 24 (3) [In the case of any domestic limited liability company, by any authorized person
   25 as defined in section 347.015; and

26 (4)] In the case of any constituent entity formed under the laws of any jurisdiction 27 other than this state, in accordance with the laws of such other jurisdiction.

28 3. After the agreement of merger or consolidation is authorized and approved, unless the agreement of merger or consolidation provides otherwise, and at any time before the 29 agreement of merger or consolidation or certificate of merger or consolidation is effective as 30 provided for in section 347.725, the agreement of merger or consolidation may be abandoned, 31 32 subject to any contractual rights, in accordance with the procedure set forth in the agreement 33 of merger or consolidation or, if none is set forth, with the approval of those persons or 34 individuals entitled to approve the merger or consolidation as provided in subsection 1 of this 35 section.

347.1000. Sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 shall be known, and may be cited as, the 2 "Uniform Limited Liability Company Act".

347.1002. In sections 347.1000 to 347.1228:

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2 (1) "Certificate of organization" means the certificate required by section
3 347.1042. The term includes the certificate as amended or restated;

- 4 (2) "Contribution", except in the phrase "right of contribution", means 5 property or a benefit described in section 347.1076 which is provided by a person to a 6 limited liability company to become a member or in the person's capacity as a member;
  - (3) "Debtor in bankruptcy" means a person that is the subject of:

8 (a) An order for relief under Title 11 of the United States Code or a comparable
9 order under a successor statute of general application; or

10 (b) A comparable order under federal, state, or foreign law governing 11 insolvency;

12 (4) "Distribution" means a transfer of moneys or other property from a limited 13 liability company to a person on account of a transferable interest or in the person's 14 capacity as a member. The term:

15 (a) Includes:

16 **a.** A redemption or other purchase by a limited liability company of a 17 transferable interest; and

b. A transfer to a member in return for the member's relinquishment of any right to participate as a member in the management or conduct of the company's activities and affairs or to have access to records or other information concerning the company's activities and affairs; and

(b) Does not include amounts constituting reasonable compensation for present
 or past service or payments made in the ordinary course of business under a bona fide
 retirement plan or other bona fide benefits program;

(5) "Foreign limited liability company" means an unincorporated entity formed
under the law of a jurisdiction other than this state which would be a limited liability
company if formed under the law of this state;

(6) "Jurisdiction", used to refer to a political entity, means the United States, a
state, a foreign country, or a political subdivision of a foreign country;

30 (7) "Jurisdiction of formation" means the jurisdiction whose law governs the 31 internal affairs of an entity;

(8) "Limited liability company", except in the phrase "foreign limited liability
company" and in sections 347.1164 to 347.1222, means an entity formed under sections
347.1000 to 347.1228 or which becomes subject to sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 under
sections 347.1164 to 347.1222 or section 347.1018;

36 (9) "Manager" means a person that under the operating agreement of a 37 manager-managed limited liability company is responsible, alone or in concert with 38 others, for performing the management functions stated in subsection 3 of section 39 347.1086;

40 (10) "Manager-managed limited liability company" means a limited liability 41 company that qualifies under subsection 1 of section 347.1086;

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(11) "Member" means a person that:

(a) Has become a member of a limited liability company under section 347.1074
or was a member in a company when the company became subject to sections 347.1000
to 347.1228 under section 347.1018; and

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(b) Has not dissociated under section 347.1104;

47 (12) "Member-managed limited liability company" means a limited liability 48 company that is not a manager-managed limited liability company;

49 (13) "Operating agreement" means the agreement, whether referred to as an 50 operating agreement and whether oral, implied, in a record, or in any combination 51 thereof, of all the members of a limited liability company, including a sole member, 52 concerning the matters described in subsection 1 of section 347.1008. The term includes 53 the agreement as amended or restated;

54 (14) "Organizer" means a person that acts under section 347.1042 to form a 55 limited liability company;

(15) "Person" means an individual, business corporation, nonprofit corporation, partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company, general cooperative association, limited cooperative association, unincorporated nonprofit association, statutory trust, business trust, common-law business trust, estate, trust, association, joint venture, public corporation, government or governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality, or any other legal or commercial entity;

62 (16) "Principal office" means the principal executive office of a limited liability 63 company or foreign limited liability company, whether the office is located in this state;

64 (17) "Property" means all property, whether real, personal, or mixed or tangible
 65 or intangible, or any right or interest therein;

66 (18) "Record", used as a noun, means information that is inscribed on a tangible 67 medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is retrievable in 68 perceivable form;

(19) "Registered agent" means an agent of a limited liability company or foreign
limited liability company which is authorized to receive service of any process, notice, or
demand required or permitted by law to be served on the company;

(20) "Registered foreign limited liability company" means a foreign limited 72 73 liability company that is registered to do business in this state pursuant to a statement of 74 registration filed by the secretary of state;

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(21) "Sign" means, with present intent to authenticate or adopt a record:

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(a) To execute or adopt a tangible symbol; or

77 (b) To attach to or logically associate with the record an electronic symbol, 78 sound, or process;

- 79 (22) "State" means a state of the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any territory or insular possession subject to 80 81 the jurisdiction of the United States;
- 82 (23) "Transfer" includes:
- 83 (a) An assignment;

84 (b) A conveyance;

- (c) A sale; 85
- 86 (d) A lease;
- (e) An encumbrance, including a mortgage or security interest; 87
- 88 (f) A gift; and
- 89 (g) A transfer by operation of law;

90 (24) "Transferable interest" means the right, as initially owned by a person in 91 the person's capacity as a member, to receive distributions from a limited liability 92 company, whether the person remains a member or continues to own any part of the 93 right. The term applies to any fraction of the interest, by whomever owned;

94 (25) "Transferee" means a person to which all or part of a transferable interest 95 has been transferred, whether the transferor is a member. The term includes a person 96 that owns a transferable interest under subdivision (3) of subsection 1 of section 97 **347.1106**.

**347.1004.** 1. A person knows a fact if the person:

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(1) Has actual knowledge of it; or

- 3 (2) Is deemed to know it under subdivision (1) of subsection 4 of this section or law other than sections 347.1000 to 347.1228. 4
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2. A person has notice of a fact if the person:

(1) Has reason to know the fact from all the facts known to the person at the time 6 7 in question; or

8 (2) Is deemed to have notice of the fact under subdivision (2) of subsection 4 of 9 this section.

3. Subject to subsection 6 of section 347.1060, a person notifies another person of a fact by taking steps reasonably required to inform the other person in ordinary course, whether those steps cause the other person to know the fact.

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4. A person not a member is deemed:

- 14 (1) To know of a limitation on authority to transfer real property as provided in 15 subsection 7 of section 347.1068; and
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(2) To have notice of a limited liability company's:

- 17 (a) Dissolution ninety days after a statement of dissolution under paragraph (a)
  18 of subdivision (2) of subsection 2 of section 347.1110 becomes effective;
- (b) Termination ninety days after a statement of termination under paragraph
   (f) of subdivision (2) of subsection 2 of section 347.1110 becomes effective; and
- (c) Participation in a merger, interest exchange, conversion, or domestication,
   ninety days after articles of merger, interest exchange, conversion, or domestication
   under sections 347.1164 to 347.1222 become effective.

347.1006. The law of this state governs:

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- (1) The internal affairs of a limited liability company; and
- 3 (2) The liability of a member as member and a manager as manager for a debt,
  4 obligation, or other liability of a limited liability company.
- 347.1008. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4 of this section, 2 the operating agreement governs:
- 3 (1) Relations among the members as members and between the members and 4 the limited liability company;
- 5 (2) The rights and duties under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 of a person in the 6 capacity of manager;
- 7 (3) The activities and affairs of the company and the conduct of those activities 8 and affairs; and
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(4) The means and conditions for amending the operating agreement.

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- 2. To the extent the operating agreement does not provide for a matter described in subsection 1 of this section, sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 govern the matter.
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- 3. An operating agreement shall not:
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- (1) Vary the law applicable under section 347.1006;
- 14 (2) Vary a limited liability company's capacity under section 347.1016 to sue and 15 be sued in its own name;
- (3) Vary any requirement, procedure, or other provision of sections 347.1000 to
   347.1228 pertaining to:
- 18 (a) Registered agents; or

(b) The secretary of state, including provisions pertaining to records authorized
or required to be delivered to the secretary of state for filing under sections 347.1000 to
347.1228;

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(4) Vary the provisions of section 347.1048;

23 (5) Alter or eliminate the duty of loyalty or the duty of care, except as otherwise
 24 provided in subsection 4 of this section;

(6) Eliminate the contractual obligation of good faith and fair dealing under
subsection 4 of section 347.1090, but the operating agreement may prescribe the
standards, if not manifestly unreasonable, by which the performance of the obligation is
to be measured;

(7) Relieve or exonerate a person from liability for conduct involving bad faith,
willful or intentional misconduct, or knowing violation of law;

(8) Unreasonably restrict the duties and rights under section 347.1092, but the
 operating agreement may impose reasonable restrictions on the availability and use of
 information obtained under that section and may define appropriate remedies,
 including liquidated damages, for a breach of any reasonable restriction on use;

35 (9) Vary the causes of dissolution specified in subdivision (4) of subsection 1 of 36 section 347.1108;

(10) Vary the requirement to wind up the company's activities and affairs as
specified in subsections 1 and 5 of section 347.1110 and subdivision (1) of subsection 2 of
section 347.1110;

40 (11) Unreasonably restrict the right of a member to maintain an action under 41 sections 347.1128 to 347.1138;

42 (12) Vary the provisions of section 347.1136, but the operating agreement may 43 provide that the company shall not have a special litigation committee;

44 (13) Vary the right of a member to approve a merger, interest exchange,
45 conversion, or domestication under subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of section 347.1180,
46 subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of section 347.1192, subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of
47 section 347.1204, or subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of section 347.1216;

(14) Vary the required contents of a plan of merger under subsection 1 of section
347.1178, plan of interest exchange under subsection 1 of section 347.1190, plan of
conversion under subsection 1 of section 347.1202, or plan of domestication under
subsection 1 of section 347.1214; or

(15) Except as otherwise provided in section 347.1010 and subsection 2 of section
347.1012, restrict the rights under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 of a person other than a
member or manager.

4. Subject to subdivision (7) of subsection 3 of this section, without limiting other terms that may be included in an operating agreement, the following rules apply:

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(1) The operating agreement may:

(a) Specify the method by which a specific act or transaction that would
 otherwise violate the duty of loyalty may be authorized or ratified by one or more
 disinterested and independent persons after full disclosure of all material facts; and

61 (b) Alter the prohibition in subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of section 347.1082 so 62 that the prohibition requires only that the company's total assets not be less than the 63 sum of its total liabilities;

64 (2) To the extent the operating agreement of a member-managed limited liability 65 company expressly relieves a member of a responsibility that the member otherwise 66 would have under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 and imposes the responsibility on one or 67 more other members, the agreement also may eliminate or limit any fiduciary duty of 68 the member relieved of the responsibility which would have pertained to the 69 responsibility;

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(3) If not manifestly unreasonable, the operating agreement may:

(a) Alter or eliminate the aspects of the duty of loyalty stated in subsections 2
and 9 of section 347.1090;

(b) Identify specific types or categories of activities that do not violate the duty ofloyalty;

75 (c) Alter the duty of care but shall not authorize conduct involving bad faith, 76 willful or intentional misconduct, or knowing violation of law; and

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(d) Alter or eliminate any other fiduciary duty.

5. The court shall decide as a matter of law whether a term of an operating agreement is manifestly unreasonable under subdivision (6) of subsection 3 of this section or subdivision (3) of subsection 4 of this section. The court:

(1) Shall make its determination as of the time the challenged term became part
 of the operating agreement and by considering only circumstances existing at that time;
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84 (2) May invalidate the term only if, in light of the purposes, activities, and affairs
 85 of the limited liability company, it is readily apparent that:

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(a) The objective of the term is unreasonable; or

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(b) The term is an unreasonable means to achieve the term's objective.

347.1010. 1. A limited liability company is bound by and may enforce the 2 operating agreement, whether the company has itself manifested assent to the operating 3 agreement. 4 **2.** A person that becomes a member is deemed to assent to the operating 5 agreement.

6 3. Two or more persons intending to become the initial members of a limited 7 liability company may make an agreement providing that upon the formation of the 8 company the agreement will become the operating agreement. One person intending to 9 become the initial member of a limited liability company may assent to terms providing 10 that upon the formation of the company the terms will become the operating agreement.

347.1012. 1. An operating agreement may specify that its amendment requires 2 the approval of a person that is not a party to the agreement or the satisfaction of a 3 condition. An amendment is ineffective if its adoption does not include the required 4 approval or satisfy the specified condition.

5 2. The obligations of a limited liability company and its members to a person in 6 the person's capacity as a transferee or a person dissociated as a member are governed 7 by the operating agreement. Subject only to a court order issued under subdivision (2) 8 of subsection 2 of section 347.1098 to effectuate a charging order, an amendment to the 9 operating agreement made after a person becomes a transferee or is dissociated as a 10 member:

(1) Is effective with regard to any debt, obligation, or other liability of the limited
liability company or its members to the person in the person's capacity as a transferee
or person dissociated as a member; and

14 (2) Is not effective to the extent the amendment imposes a new debt, obligation,
15 or other liability on the transferee or person dissociated as a member.

3. If a record delivered by a limited liability company to the secretary of state for filing becomes effective and contains a provision that would be ineffective under subsection 3 or subdivision (3) of subsection 4 of section 347.1008 if contained in the operating agreement, the provision is ineffective in the record.

4. Subject to subsection 3 of this section, if a record delivered by a limited liability company to the secretary of state for filing becomes effective and conflicts with a provision of the operating agreement:

(1) The agreement prevails as to members, persons dissociated as members,
 transferees, and managers; and

(2) The record prevails as to other persons to the extent they reasonably rely onthe record.

**347.1014. 1.** A limited liability company is an entity distinct from its member or 2 members.

3 2. A limited liability company may have any lawful purpose, regardless of 4 whether for profit.

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3. A limited liability company has perpetual duration.

347.1016. A limited liability company has the capacity to sue and be sued in its 2 own name and the power to do all things necessary or convenient to carry on its 3 activities and affairs.

347.1018. 1. Before August 28, 2023, sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 govern only:

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(1) A limited liability company formed on or after August 28, 2023; and

3 (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 of this section, a limited liability 4 company formed before August 28, 2023, which elects, in the manner provided in its 5 operating agreement or by law for amending the operating agreement, to be subject to 6 sections 347.1000 to 347.1228.

7 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 of this section, on and after 8 August 28, 2023, sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 govern all limited liability companies.

9 **3.** For purposes of applying sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 to a limited liability 10 company formed before August 28, 2023:

11 (1) The company's articles of organization are deemed to be the company's 12 certificate of organization; and

13 (2) For purposes of applying subdivision (10) of section 347.1002 and subject to 14 subsection 4 of section 347.1012, language in the company's articles of organization 15 designating the company's management structure operates as if that language were in 16 the operating agreement.

347.1020. Unless displaced by particular provisions of sections 347.1000 to 2 347.1228, the principles of law and equity supplement sections 347.1000 to 347.1228.

347.1022. 1. The name of a limited liability company shall contain the phrase
2 "limited liability company" or "limited company" or the abbreviation "L.L.C.",
3 "LLC", "L.C.", or "LC". "Limited" may be abbreviated as "Ltd.", and "company"
4 may be abbreviated as "Co.".

5 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4 of this section, the name of a 6 limited liability company, and the name under which a foreign limited liability company 7 may register to do business in this state, shall be distinguishable on the records of the 8 secretary of state from any:

9 (1) Name of an existing person whose formation required the filing of a record 10 by the secretary of state and which is not at the time administratively dissolved;

11 (2) Name of a limited liability partnership whose statement of qualification is in12 effect;

13 (3) Name under which a person is registered to do business in this state by the14 filing of a record by the secretary of state;

15 (4) Name reserved under section 347.1024 or other law of this state providing for 16 the reservation of a name by the filing of a record by the secretary of state;

17 (5) Name registered under section 347.1026 or other law of this state providing 18 for the registration of a name by the filing of a record by the secretary of state; and

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(6) Name registered under section 417.200.

3. If a person consents in a record to the use of its name and submits an undertaking in a form satisfactory to the secretary of state to change its name to a name that is distinguishable on the records of the secretary of state from any name in any category of names in subsection 2 of this section, the name of the consenting person may be used by the person to which the consent was given.

25 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5 of this section, in determining 26 whether a name is the same as or not distinguishable on the records of the secretary of 27 state from the name of another person, words, phrases, or abbreviations indicating a type of person, such as "corporation", "corp.", "incorporated", "Inc.", "professional 28 29 corporation", "P.C.", "PC", "professional association", "P.A.", "PA", "Limited", "Ltd.", "limited partnership", "L.P.", "LP", "limited liability partnership", "L.L.P.", 30 "LLP", "registered limited liability partnership", "R.L.L.P.", "RLLP", "limited 31 32 liability limited partnership", "L.L.L.P.", "LLLP", "registered limited liability limited partnership", "R.L.L.P.", "RLLLP", "limited liability company", "L.L.C.", 33 34 "LLC", "limited cooperative association", "limited cooperative", or "L.C.A.", or 35 "LCA" shall not be taken into account.

5. A person may consent in a record to the use of a name that is not distinguishable on the records of the secretary of state from its name except for the addition of a word, phrase, or abbreviation indicating the type of person as provided in subsection 4 of this section. In such a case, the person need not change its name pursuant to subsection 3 of this section.

6. The name of a limited liability company or foreign limited liability company shall not contain the word "corporation", "incorporated, "limited partnership", "limited liability partnership", "limited liability limited partnership", or any abbreviation of one of such words or any word or phrase that indicates or implies that it is a governmental agency.

46 7. A limited liability company or foreign limited liability company may use a 47 name that is not distinguishable from a name described in subdivisions (1) through (6) 48 of subsection 2 of this section if the company delivers to the secretary of state a certified 49 copy of a final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction establishing the right of the 50 company to use the name in this state. 347.1024. 1. A person may reserve the exclusive use of a name that complies with section 347.1022 by delivering an application to the secretary of state for filing. The application shall state the name and address of the applicant and the name to be reserved. If the secretary of state finds that the name is available, the secretary of state shall reserve the name for the applicant's exclusive use for one hundred twenty days.

6 2. The owner of a reserved name may transfer the reservation to another person 7 by delivering to the secretary of state a signed notice in a record of the transfer which 8 states the name and address of the person to which the reservation is being transferred.

347.1026. 1. A foreign limited liability company not registered to do business in 2 this state under sections 347.1140 to 347.1162 may register its name, or an alternate 3 name adopted pursuant to section 347.1150, if the name is distinguishable on the records 4 of the secretary of state from the names that are not available under section 347.1022.

5 2. To register its name or an alternate name adopted pursuant to section 6 347.1150, a foreign limited liability company shall deliver to the secretary of state for 7 filing an application stating the company's name, the jurisdiction and date of its 8 formation, and any alternate name adopted pursuant to section 347.1150. If the 9 secretary of state finds that the name applied for is available, the secretary of state shall 10 register the name for the applicant's exclusive use.

11 **3.** The registration of a name under this section is effective for one year after the 12 date of registration.

4. A foreign limited liability company whose name registration is effective may renew the registration for successive one-year periods by delivering, not earlier than three months before the expiration of the registration, to the secretary of state for filing a renewal application that complies with this section. When filed, the renewal application renews the registration for a succeeding one-year period.

5. A foreign limited liability company whose name registration is effective may register as a foreign limited liability company under the registered name or consent in a signed record to the use of that name by another person that is not an individual.

347.1028. 1. Each limited liability company and each registered foreign limited 2 liability company shall designate and maintain a registered agent in this state. The 3 designation of a registered agent is an affirmation of fact by the limited liability 4 company or registered foreign limited liability company that the agent has consented to 5 serve.

6 **2.** A registered agent for a limited liability company or registered foreign limited 7 liability company shall have a place of business in this state.

8 3. The only duties under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 of a registered agent that 9 has complied with sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 are:

(1) To forward to the limited liability company or registered foreign limited 10 liability company at the address most recently supplied to the agent by the company or 11 12 foreign company any process, notice, or demand pertaining to the company or foreign 13 company which is served on or received by the agent;

14 (2) If the registered agent resigns, to provide the notice required by subsection 3 of section 347.1032 to the company or foreign company at the address most recently 15 supplied to the agent by the company or foreign company; and 16

17 (3) To keep current the information with respect to the agent in the certificate of 18 organization or foreign registration statement.

347.1030. 1. A limited liability company or registered foreign limited liability company may change its registered agent or the address of its registered agent by 2 delivering to the secretary of state for filing a statement of change that states: 3

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(1) The name of the company or foreign company; and

5 (2) The information that is to be in effect as a result of the filing of the statement 6 of change.

7 2. The members or managers of a limited liability company need not approve the delivery to the secretary of state filing of: 8

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(1) A statement of change under this section; or

(2) A similar filing changing the registered agent or registered office, if any, of 10 11 the company in any other jurisdiction.

12 3. A statement of change under this section designating a new registered agent is 13 an affirmation of fact by the limited liability company or registered foreign limited liability company that the agent has consented to serve. 14

15 4. As an alternative to using the procedure in this section, a limited liability company may amend its certificate of organization. 16

347.1032. 1. A registered agent may resign as an agent for a limited liability company or registered foreign limited liability company by delivering to the secretary of 2 3 state for filing a statement of resignation that states:

4 5 (1) The name of the company or foreign company;

(2) The name of the agent;

6 (3) That the agent resigns from serving as registered agent for the company or 7 foreign company; and

(4) The address of the company or foreign company to which the agent will send 8 9 the notice required by subsection 3 of this section.

10 2. A statement of resignation takes effect on the earlier of:

11 (1) The thirty-first day after the day on which it is filed by the secretary of state;

12 **or** 

(2) The designation of a new registered agent for the limited liability company or 13 14 registered foreign limited liability company.

15 3. A registered agent promptly shall furnish to the limited liability company or registered foreign limited liability company notice in a record of the date on which a 16 17 statement of resignation was filed.

18 4. When a statement of resignation takes effect, the registered agent ceases to 19 have responsibility under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 for any matter thereafter 20 tendered to it as agent for the limited liability company or registered foreign limited 21 liability company. The resignation does not affect any contractual rights the company 22 or foreign company has against the agent or that the agent has against the company or 23 foreign company.

24 5. A registered agent may resign with respect to a limited liability company or registered foreign limited liability company whether the company or foreign company is 25 26 in good standing.

347.1034. 1. If a registered agent changes its name or address, the agent may 2 deliver to the secretary of state for filing a statement of change that states:

(1) The name of the limited liability company or registered foreign limited 3 4 liability company represented by the registered agent;

(2) The name of the agent as currently shown in the records of the secretary of 5 6 state for the company or foreign company;

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(3) If the name of the agent has changed, its new name; and

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(4) If the address of the agent has changed, its new address.

9 2. A registered agent promptly shall furnish notice to the represented limited liability company or registered foreign limited liability company of the filing by the 10 secretary of state of the statement of change and the changes made by the statement. 11

347.1036. 1. A limited liability company or registered foreign limited liability company may be served with any process, notice, or demand required or permitted by 2 3 law by serving its registered agent.

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2. If a limited liability company or registered foreign limited liability company 5 ceases to have a registered agent, or if its registered agent cannot with reasonable 6 diligence be served, the company or foreign company may be served by registered or 7 certified mail, return receipt requested, or by similar commercial delivery service, 8 addressed to the company or foreign company at its principal office. The address of the principal office shall be as shown on the company's or foreign company's most recent 9 10 annual report filed by the secretary of state. Service is effected under this subsection on the earliest of: 11

12 (1) The date the company or foreign company receives the mail or delivery by 13 the commercial delivery service;

14 (2) The date shown on the return receipt, if signed by the company or foreign 15 company; or

16 (3) Five days after its deposit with the United States Postal Service, or with the 17 commercial delivery service, if correctly addressed and with sufficient postage or 18 payment.

**3.** If process, notice, or demand cannot be served on a limited liability company or registered foreign limited liability company pursuant to subsection 1 or 2 of this section, service may be made by handing a copy to the individual in charge of any regular place of business or activity of the company or foreign company if the individual served is not a plaintiff in the action.

4. Service of process, notice, or demand on a registered agent shall be in a written record.

5. Service of process, notice, or demand may be made by other means under law other than sections 347.1000 to 347.1228.

347.1038. 1. Except as otherwise provided in sections 347.1000 to 347.1228,
2 permissible means of delivery of a record include delivery by hand, mail, conventional
3 commercial practice, and electronic transmission.

4 **2.** Delivery to the secretary of state is effective only when a record is received by 5 the secretary of state.

347.1040. The legislature of this state has power to amend or repeal all or part of sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 at any time, and all limited liability companies and foreign limited liability companies subject to sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 are governed by the amendment or repeal.

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347.1042. 1. One or more persons may act as organizers to form a limited 2 liability company by delivering to the secretary of state for filing a certificate of 3 organization.

2. A certificate of organization shall state:

5 (1) The name of the limited liability company, which shall comply with section 6 347.1022;

(2) The street and mailing addresses of the company's principal office; and

8 (3) The name and street and mailing addresses in this state of the company's 9 registered agent.

103. A certificate of organization may contain statements as to matters other than11those required by subsection 2 of this section but shall not vary or otherwise affect the12provisions specified in subsections 3 and 4 of section 347.1008 in a manner inconsistent

with that section. However, a statement in a certificate of organization is not effective asa statement of authority.

4. A limited liability company is formed when the certificate of organization
 becomes effective and at least one person has become a member.

**347.1044.** 1. A certificate of organization may be amended or restated at any 2 time.

3 2. To amend its certificate of organization, a limited liability company shall
4 deliver to the secretary of state for filing an amendment stating:

(1) The name of the company;

(2) The date of filing of its initial certificate; and

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(3) The text of the amendment.

8 3. To restate its certificate of organization, a limited liability company shall 9 deliver to the secretary of state for filing a restatement, designated as such in its 10 heading.

4. If a member of a member-managed limited liability company, or a manager of a manager-managed limited liability company, knows that any information in a filed certificate of organization was inaccurate when the certificate was filed or has become inaccurate due to changed circumstances, the member or manager shall promptly:

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(1) Cause the certificate to be amended; or

16 (2) If appropriate, deliver to the secretary of state for filing a statement of 17 change under section 347.1030 or a statement of correction under section 347.1058.

**347.1046.** 1. A record delivered to the secretary of state for filing pursuant to 2 sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 shall be signed as follows:

3 (1) Except as otherwise provided in subdivisions (2) and (3) of this subsection, a
4 record signed by a limited liability company shall be signed by a person authorized by
5 the company;

6 (2) A company's initial certificate of organization shall be signed by at least one 7 person acting as an organizer;

8 (3) A record delivered on behalf of a dissolved company that has no member 9 shall be signed by the person winding up the company's activities and affairs under 10 subsection 3 of section 347.1110 or a person appointed under subsection 4 of section 11 347.1110 to wind up the activities and affairs;

12 (4) A statement of denial by a person under section 347.1070 shall be signed by 13 that person;

14 (5) Any other record delivered on behalf of a person to the secretary of state for 15 filing shall be signed by that person.

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16 2. A record delivered for filing under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 may be 17 signed by an agent. If sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 require a particular individual to 18 sign a record and the individual is deceased or incompetent, the record may be signed 19 by a legal representative of the individual.

3. A person that signs a record as an agent or legal representative affirms as a
fact that the person is authorized to sign the record.

347.1048. 1. If a person required by sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 to sign a 2 record or deliver a record to the secretary of state for filing under sections 347.1000 to 3 347.1228 does not do so, any other person that is aggrieved may petition a court of 4 competent jurisdiction to order:

(1) The person to sign the record;

(2) The person to deliver the record to the secretary of state for filing; or

(3) The secretary of state to file the record unsigned.

8 2. If a petitioner under subsection 1 of this section is not the limited liability 9 company or foreign limited liability company to which the record pertains, the 10 petitioner shall make the company or foreign company a party to the action.

11 **3.** A record filed under subdivision (3) of subsection 1 of this section is effective 12 without being signed.

347.1050. 1. If a record delivered to the secretary of state for filing under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 and filed by the secretary of state contains inaccurate information, a person that suffers loss by reliance on the information may recover damages for the loss from:

5 (1) A person that signed the record, or caused another to sign it on the person's 6 behalf, and knew the information to be inaccurate at the time the record was signed; 7 and

8 (2) Subject to subsection 2 of this section, a member of a member-managed 9 limited liability company or a manager of a manager-managed limited liability company 10 if:

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(a) The record was delivered for filing on behalf of the company; and

12 (b) The member or manager knew or had notice of the inaccuracy for a 13 reasonably sufficient time before the information was relied upon so that, before the 14 reliance, the member or manager reasonably could have:

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- a. Effected an amendment under section 347.1044;
- 16 b. Filed a petition under section 347.1048; or

17 c. Delivered to the secretary of state for filing a statement of change under 18 section 347.1030 or a statement of correction under section 347.1058.

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2. To the extent the operating agreement of a member-managed limited liability company expressly relieves a member of responsibility for maintaining the accuracy of information contained in records delivered on behalf of the company to the secretary of state for filing under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 and imposes that responsibility on one or more other members, the liability stated in subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of this section applies to those other members and not to the member that the operating agreement relieves of the responsibility.

3. An individual who signs a record authorized or required to be filed under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 affirms under penalty of perjury that the information stated in the record is accurate.

347.1052. 1. To be filed by the secretary of state pursuant to sections 347.1000 to
347.1228, a record shall be received by the secretary of state, comply with sections
347.1000 to 347.1228, and satisfy the following:

4 (1) The filing of the record shall be required or permitted by sections 347.1000 to 5 347.1228;

6 (2) The record shall be physically delivered in written form unless and to the 7 extent the secretary of state permits electronic delivery of records;

8 (3) The words in the record shall be in English, and numbers shall be in Arabic 9 or Roman numerals, but the name of an entity need not be in English if written in 10 English letters or Arabic or Roman numerals;

(4) The record shall be signed by a person authorized or required under sections
 347.1000 to 347.1228 to sign the record;

13 (5) The record shall state the name and capacity, if any, of each individual who 14 signed it, either on behalf of the individual or the person authorized or required to sign 15 the record, but need not contain a seal, attestation, acknowledgment, or verification.

2. If law other than sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 prohibits the disclosure by the secretary of state of information contained in a record delivered to the secretary of state for filing, the secretary of state shall file the record if the record otherwise complies with sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 but may redact the information.

3. When a record is delivered to the secretary of state for filing, any fee required under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 and any fee, tax, interest, or penalty required to be paid under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 or law other than sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 shall be paid in a manner permitted by the secretary of state or by that law.

4. The secretary of state may require that a record delivered in written form be accompanied by an identical or conformed copy. 5. The secretary of state may provide forms for filings required or permitted to be made by sections 347.1000 to 347.1228, but, except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 of this section, their use is not required.

6. The secretary of state may require that a cover sheet for a filing be on a form
prescribed by the secretary of state.

347.1054. Except as otherwise provided in section 347.1056 and subject to 2 subsection 4 of section 347.1058, a record filed under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 is 3 effective:

4 (1) On the date and at the time of its filing by the secretary of state, as provided 5 in subsection 2 of section 347.1060;

6 (2) On the date of filing and at the time specified in the record as its effective 7 time, if later than the time under subdivision (1) of this section;

8 (3) At a specified delayed effective date and time, which shall not be more than 9 ninety days after the date of filing; or

10 (4) If a delayed effective date is specified, but no time is specified, at 12:01 a.m.
11 on the date specified, which shall not be more than ninety days after the date of filing.

347.1056. 1. Except as otherwise provided in sections 347.1182, 347.1194, 2 347.1206, and 347.1218, a record delivered to the secretary of state for filing may be 3 withdrawn before it takes effect by delivering to the secretary of state for filing a 4 statement of withdrawal.

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#### 2. A statement of withdrawal shall:

6 (1) Be signed by each person that signed the record being withdrawn, except as 7 otherwise agreed by those persons;

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(2) Identify the record to be withdrawn; and

9 (3) If signed by fewer than all the persons that signed the record being 10 withdrawn, state that the record is withdrawn in accordance with the agreement of all 11 the persons that signed the record.

12 **3.** On filing by the secretary of state of a statement of withdrawal, the action or 13 transaction evidenced by the original record does not take effect.

**347.1058.** 1. A person on whose behalf a filed record was delivered to the 2 secretary of state for filing may correct the record if:

3 4 (1) The record at the time of filing was inaccurate;

(2) The record was defectively signed; or

5 (3) The electronic transmission of the record to the secretary of state was 6 defective. 7 2. To correct a filed record, a person on whose behalf the record was delivered to
8 the secretary of state shall deliver to the secretary of state for filing a statement of
9 correction.

10 **3.** A statement of correction:

11 (1) Shall not state a delayed effective date;

12 (2) Must be signed by the person correcting the filed record;

13 (3) Must identify the filed record to be corrected;

14 15 (4) Must specify the inaccuracy or defect to be corrected; and(5) Must correct the inaccuracy or defect.

4. A statement of correction is effective as of the effective date of the filed record that it corrects except for purposes of subsection 4 of section 347.1004 and as to persons relying on the uncorrected filed record and adversely affected by the correction. For those purposes and as to those persons, the statement of correction is effective when filed.

347.1060. 1. The secretary of state shall file a record delivered to the secretary of state for filing which satisfies sections 347.1000 to 347.1228. The duty of the secretary of state under this section is ministerial.

2. When the secretary of state files a record, the secretary of state shall record it sa filed on the date and at the time of its delivery. After filing a record, the secretary of state shall deliver to the person that submitted the record a copy of the record with an acknowledgment of the date and time of filing and, in the case of a statement of denial, also to the limited liability company to which the statement pertains.

9 **3.** If the secretary of state refuses to file a record, the secretary of state shall, not 10 later than fifteen business days after the record is delivered:

11 (1) Return the record or notify the person that submitted the record of the 12 refusal; and

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(2) Provide a brief explanation in a record of the reason for the refusal.

4. If the secretary of state refuses to file a record, the person that submitted the record may petition a court of competent jurisdiction to compel filing of the record. The record and the explanation of the secretary of state of the refusal to file shall be attached to the petition. The court may decide the matter in a summary proceeding.

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5. The filing of or refusal to file a record does not:

19 (1) Affect the validity or invalidity of the record in whole or in part; or

20 (2) Create a presumption that the information contained in the record is correct 21 or incorrect. 6. Except as otherwise provided by section 347.1036 or by law other than sections 347.1000 to 347.1228, the secretary of state may deliver any record to a person by delivering it:

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(1) In person to the person that submitted it;

26 (2) To the address of the person's registered agent;

27 (3) To the principal office of the person; or

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(4) To another address the person provides to the secretary of state for delivery.

347.1062. 1. On request of any person, the secretary of state shall issue a 2 certificate of good standing for a limited liability company or a certificate of registration 3 for a registered foreign limited liability company.

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2. A certificate under subsection 1 of this section shall state:

5 (1) The limited liability company's name or the registered foreign limited 6 liability company's name used in this state;

(a) That a certificate of organization has been filed and has taken effect;

(2) In the case of a limited liability company:

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- (b) The date the certificate became effective;
- 10 (c) The period of the company's duration if the records of the secretary of state 11 reflect that its period of duration is less than perpetual; and

12 (d) That:

a. No statement of dissolution, statement of administrative dissolution, or
 statement of termination has been filed;

b. The records of the secretary of state do not otherwise reflect that the company
 has been dissolved or terminated; and

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c. A proceeding is not pending under section 347.1122;

18 (3) In the case of a registered foreign limited liability company, that it is 19 registered to do business in this state;

20 (4) That all fees, taxes, interest, and penalties owed to this state by the limited 21 liability company or foreign limited liability company and collected through the 22 secretary of state have been paid, if:

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(a) Payment is reflected in the records of the secretary of state; and

(b) Nonpayment affects the good standing or registration of the company orforeign company;

26 (5) That the most recent annual report required by section 347.1064 has been 27 delivered to the secretary of state for filing; and

(6) Other facts reflected in the records of the secretary of state pertaining to the
 limited liability company or foreign limited liability company which the person
 requesting the certificate reasonably requests.

31 3. Subject to any qualification stated in the certificate, a certificate issued by the 32 secretary of state under subsection 1 of this section may be relied on as conclusive 33 evidence of the facts stated in the certificate.

**347.1064. 1.** A limited liability company or registered foreign limited liability 2 company shall deliver to the secretary of state for filing an annual report that states:

(1) The name of the company or foreign company;

4 (2) The name and street and mailing addresses of its registered agent in this 5 state;

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(3) The street and mailing addresses of its principal office;

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(4) If the company is member managed, the name of at least one member;(5) If the company is manager managed, the name of at least one manager; and

9 (6) In the case of a foreign company, its jurisdiction of formation and any 10 alternate name adopted under subsection 1 of section 347.1150.

11 **2.** Information in the annual report shall be current as of the date the report is 12 signed by the limited liability company or registered foreign limited liability company.

3. The first annual report shall be delivered to the secretary of state for filing after January first and before April first of the year following the calendar year in which the limited liability company's certificate of organization became effective or the registered foreign limited liability company registered to do business in this state. Subsequent annual reports shall be delivered to the secretary of state for filing after January first and before April first of each calendar year thereafter.

4. If an annual report does not contain the information required by this section, the secretary of state promptly shall notify the reporting limited liability company or registered foreign limited liability company in a record and return the report for correction.

5. If an annual report contains the name or address of a registered agent which differs from the information shown in the records of the secretary of state immediately before the report becomes effective, the differing information in the report is considered a statement of change under section 347.1030.

**347.1066.** 1. A member is not an agent of a limited liability company solely by 2 reason of being a member.

3 2. A person's status as a member does not prevent or restrict law other than
4 sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 from imposing liability on a limited liability company
5 because of the person's conduct.

**347.1068. 1.** A limited liability company may deliver to the secretary of state for 2 filing a statement of authority. The statement:

3 (1) Must include the name of the company and the name and street and mailing 4 addresses of its registered agent;

5 (2) With respect to any position that exists in or with respect to the company, 6 may state the authority, or limitations on the authority, of all persons holding the 7 position to:

8 (a) Sign an instrument transferring real property held in the name of the 9 company; or

10 (b) Enter into other transactions on behalf of, or otherwise act for or bind, the 11 company; and

12 (3) May state the authority, or limitations on the authority, of a specific person13 to:

14 (a) Sign an instrument transferring real property held in the name of the 15 company; or

16 (b) Enter into other transactions on behalf of, or otherwise act for or bind, the 17 company.

2. To amend or cancel a statement of authority filed by the secretary of state, a
 limited liability company shall deliver to the secretary of state for filing an amendment
 or cancellation stating:

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(1) The name of the company;

22 (2) The name and street and mailing addresses of the company's registered 23 agent;

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(3) The date the statement being affected became effective; and

25 (4) The contents of the amendment or a declaration that the statement is 26 cancelled.

3. A statement of authority affects only the power of a person to bind a limited
liability company to persons that are not members.

4. Subject to subsection 3 of this section and subsection 4 of section 347.1004, and except as otherwise provided in subsections 6, 7, and 8 of this section, a limitation on the authority of a person or a position contained in an effective statement of authority is not by itself evidence of any person's knowledge or notice of the limitation.

5. Subject to subsection 3 of this section, a grant of authority not pertaining to transfers of real property and contained in an effective statement of authority is conclusive in favor of a person that gives value in reliance on the grant, except to the extent that when the person gives value:

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(1) The person has knowledge to the contrary;

38 (2) The statement has been cancelled or restrictively amended under subsection
39 2 of this section; or

40 (3) A limitation on the grant is contained in another statement of authority that
41 became effective after the statement containing the grant became effective.

6. Subject to subsection 3 of this section, an effective statement of authority that grants authority to transfer real property held in the name of the limited liability company, a certified copy of which statement is recorded in the office for recording transfers of the real property, is conclusive in favor of a person that gives value in reliance on the grant without knowledge to the contrary, except to the extent that when the person gives value:

48 (1) The statement has been cancelled or restrictively amended under subsection
49 2 of this section, and a certified copy of the cancellation or restrictive amendment has
50 been recorded in the office for recording transfers of the real property; or

51 (2) A limitation on the grant is contained in another statement of authority that 52 became effective after the statement containing the grant became effective, and a 53 certified copy of the later-effective statement is recorded in the office for recording 54 transfers of the real property.

55 7. Subject to subsection 3 of this section, if a certified copy of an effective 56 statement containing a limitation on the authority to transfer real property held in the 57 name of a limited liability company is recorded in the office for recording transfers of 58 that real property, all persons are deemed to know of the limitation.

8. Subject to subsection 9 of this section, an effective statement of dissolution or termination is a cancellation of any filed statement of authority for the purposes of subsection 6 of this section and is a limitation on authority for the purposes of subsection 7 of this section.

9. After a statement of dissolution becomes effective, a limited liability company
may deliver to the secretary of state for filing and, if appropriate, may record a
statement of authority that is designated as a post-dissolution statement of authority.
The statement operates as provided in subsections 6 and 7 of this section.

10. Unless earlier cancelled, an effective statement of authority is cancelled by operation of law five years after the date on which the statement, or its most recent amendment, becomes effective. This cancellation operates without need for any recording under subsection 6 or 7 of this section.

71 11. An effective statement of denial operates as a restrictive amendment under 72 this section and may be recorded by certified copy for purposes of subdivision (1) of 73 subsection 6 of this section.

**347.1070.** A person named in a filed statement of authority granting that person 2 authority may deliver to the secretary of state for filing a statement of denial that: 3 (1) Provides the name of the limited liability company and the caption of the 4 statement of authority to which the statement of denial pertains; and

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(2) Denies the grant of authority.

347.1072. 1. A debt, obligation, or other liability of a limited liability company is solely the debt, obligation, or other liability of the company. A member or manager is not personally liable, directly or indirectly, by way of contribution or otherwise, for a debt, obligation, or other liability of the company solely by reason of being or acting as a member or manager. This subsection applies regardless of the dissolution of the company.

7 2. The failure of a limited liability company to observe formalities relating to the 8 exercise of its powers or management of its activities and affairs is not a ground for 9 imposing liability on a member or manager for a debt, obligation, or other liability of 10 the company.

347.1074. 1. If a limited liability company is to have only one member upon
formation, the person becomes a member as agreed by that person and the organizer of
the company. That person and the organizer may be, but need not be, different persons.
If different, the organizer acts on behalf of the initial member.

5 2. If a limited liability company is to have more than one member upon 6 formation, those persons become members as agreed by the persons before the 7 formation of the company. The organizer acts on behalf of the persons in forming the 8 company and may be, but need not be, one of the persons.

9 **3.** After formation of a limited liability company, a person becomes a member:

(1) As provided in the operating agreement;

11 (2) As the result of a transaction effective under sections 347.1164 to 347.1222;

12 (3) With the affirmative vote or consent of all the members; or

13 (4) As provided in subdivision (3) of subsection 1 of section 347.1108.

14 **4.** A person may become a member without:

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(1) Acquiring a transferable interest; or

16 (2) Making or being obligated to make a contribution to the limited liability 17 company.

347.1076. A contribution may consist of property transferred to, services performed for, or another benefit provided to the limited liability company or an agreement to transfer property to, perform services for, or provide another benefit to the company.

347.1078. 1. A person's obligation to make a contribution to a limited liability company is not excused by the person's death, disability, termination, or other inability to perform personally. 4 2. If a person does not fulfill an obligation to make a contribution other than 5 moneys, the person is obligated at the option of the limited liability company to 6 contribute moneys equal to the value of the part of the contribution which has not been 7 made.

8 3. The obligation of a person to make a contribution may be compromised only 9 by the affirmative vote or consent of all the members. If a creditor of a limited liability 10 company extends credit or otherwise acts in reliance on an obligation described in 11 subsection 1 of this section without knowledge or notice of a compromise under this 12 subsection, the creditor may enforce the obligation.

347.1080. 1. Any distribution made by a limited liability company before its
2 dissolution and winding up shall be in equal shares among members and persons
3 dissociated as members, except to the extent necessary to comply with a transfer
4 effective under section 347.1096 or charging order in effect under section 347.1098.

5 2. A person has a right to a distribution before the dissolution and winding up of
6 a limited liability company only if the company decides to make an interim distribution.
7 A person's dissociation does not entitle the person to a distribution.

8 3. A person does not have a right to demand or receive a distribution from a 9 limited liability company in any form other than moneys. Except as otherwise provided 10 in subsection 4 of section 347.1120, a company may distribute an asset in kind only if 11 each part of the asset is fungible with each other part and each person receives a 12 percentage of the asset equal in value to the person's share of distributions.

4. If a member or transferee becomes entitled to receive a distribution, the member or transferee has the status of, and is entitled to all remedies available to, a creditor of the limited liability company with respect to the distribution. However, the company's obligation to make a distribution is subject to offset for any amount owed to the company by the member or a person dissociated as a member on whose account the distribution is made.

**347.1082.** 1. A limited liability company shall not make a distribution, including 2 a distribution under section 347.1120, if after the distribution:

3 (1) The company would not be able to pay its debts as they become due in the 4 ordinary course of the company's activities and affairs; or

5 (2) The company's total assets would be less than the sum of its total liabilities 6 plus the amount that would be needed, if the company were to be dissolved and wound 7 up at the time of the distribution, to satisfy the preferential rights upon dissolution and 8 winding up of members and transferees whose preferential rights are superior to the 9 rights of persons receiving the distribution.

10 2. A limited liability company may base a determination that a distribution is 11 not prohibited under subsection 1 of this section on:

12 (1) Financial statements prepared on the basis of accounting practices and 13 principles that are reasonable in the circumstances; or

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(2) A fair valuation or other method that is reasonable under the circumstances.

15 **3.** Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5 of this section, the effect of a 16 distribution under subsection 1 of this section is measured:

17 (1) In the case of a distribution as defined in paragraph (a) of subdivision (4) of 18 section 347.1002, as of the earlier of:

(a) The date moneys or other property is transferred or debt is incurred by thelimited liability company; or

21 (b) The date the person entitled to the distribution ceases to own the interest or 22 right being acquired by the company in return for the distribution;

23 (2) In the case of any other distribution of indebtedness, as of the date the 24 indebtedness is distributed; and

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(3) In all other cases, as of the date:

26 (a) The distribution is authorized, if the payment occurs not later than one 27 hundred twenty days after that date; or

(b) The payment is made, if the payment occurs more than one hundred twentydays after the distribution is authorized.

30 4. A limited liability company's indebtedness to a member or transferee incurred 31 by reason of a distribution made in accordance with this section is at parity with the 32 company's indebtedness to its general, unsecured creditors, except to the extent 33 subordinated by agreement.

5. A limited liability company's indebtedness, including indebtedness issued as a distribution, is not a liability for purposes of subsection 1 of this section if the terms of the indebtedness provide that payment of principal and interest is made only if and to the extent that payment of a distribution could then be made under this section. If the indebtedness is issued as a distribution, each payment of principal or interest is treated as a distribution, the effect of which is measured on the date the payment is made.

6. In measuring the effect of a distribution under section 347.1120, the liabilities
of a dissolved limited liability company do not include any claim that has been disposed
of under section 347.1114, 347.1116, or 347.1118.

347.1084. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of this section, if a 2 member of a member-managed limited liability company or manager of a manager-3 managed limited liability company consents to a distribution made in violation of 4 section 347.1082 and in consenting to the distribution fails to comply with section 5 347.1090, the member or manager is personally liable to the company for the amount of

6 the distribution which exceeds the amount that could have been distributed without the 7 violation of section 347.1082.

8 2. To the extent the operating agreement of a member-managed limited liability 9 company expressly relieves a member of the authority and responsibility to consent to 10 distributions and imposes that authority and responsibility on one or more other 11 members, the liability stated in subsection 1 of this section applies to the other members 12 and not the member that the operating agreement relieves of the authority and 13 responsibility.

3. A person that receives a distribution knowing that the distribution violated section 347.1082 is personally liable to the limited liability company but only to the extent that the distribution received by the person exceeded the amount that could have been properly paid under section 347.1082.

4. A person against which an action is commenced because the person is liable
under subsection 1 of this section may:

(1) Implead any other person that is liable under subsection 1 of this section and
seek to enforce a right of contribution from the person; and

(2) Implead any person that received a distribution in violation of subsection 3 of
 this section and seek to enforce a right of contribution from the person in the amount
 the person received in violation of subsection 3 of this section.

25 5. An action under this section is barred unless commenced not later than two
 26 years after the distribution.

**347.1086. 1.** A limited liability company is a member-managed limited liability 2 company unless the operating agreement:

- (1) Expressly provides that:
  - (a) The company is or will be "manager-managed";
  - (b) The company is or will be "managed by managers"; or

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- (c) Management of the company is or will be "vested in managers"; or
- (2) Includes words of similar import.
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2. In a member-managed limited liability company, the following rules apply:

9 (1) Except as expressly provided in sections 347.1000 to 347.1228, the 10 management and conduct of the company are vested in the members;

11 (2) Each member has equal rights in the management and conduct of the 12 company's activities and affairs;

13 (3) A difference arising among members as to a matter in the ordinary course of
14 the activities and affairs of the company may be decided by a majority of the members;

(4) The affirmative vote or consent of all the members is required to:

16 (a) Undertake an act outside the ordinary course of the activities and affairs of 17 the company; or

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(b) Amend the operating agreement.

19 **3.** In a manager-managed limited liability company, the following rules apply:

20 (1) Except as expressly provided in sections 347.1000 to 347.1228, any matter 21 relating to the activities and affairs of the company is decided exclusively by the 22 manager, or, if there is more than one manager, by a majority of the managers;

(2) Each manager has equal rights in the management and conduct of the
 company's activities and affairs;

(3) The affirmative vote or consent of all members is required to:

26 (a) Undertake an act outside the ordinary course of the company's activities and
 27 affairs; or

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(b) Amend the operating agreement;

(4) A manager may be chosen at any time by the affirmative vote or consent of a majority of the members and remains a manager until a successor has been chosen, unless the manager at an earlier time resigns, is removed, or dies, or, in the case of a manager that is not an individual, terminates. A manager may be removed at any time by the affirmative vote or consent of a majority of the members without notice or cause;

34 (5) A person need not be a member to be a manager, but the dissociation of a 35 member that is also a manager removes the person as a manager. If a person that is 36 both a manager and a member ceases to be a manager, that cessation does not by itself 37 dissociate the person as a member;

(6) A person's ceasing to be a manager does not discharge any debt, obligation,
or other liability to the limited liability company or members which the person incurred
while a manager.

41 4. An action requiring the vote or consent of members under sections 347.1000 to 42 347.1228 may be taken without a meeting, and a member may appoint a proxy or other 43 agent to vote, consent, or otherwise act for the member by signing an appointing record, 44 personally or by the member's agent.

5. The dissolution of a limited liability company does not affect the applicability of this section. However, a person that wrongfully causes dissolution of the company loses the right to participate in management as a member and a manager.

48 6. A limited liability company shall reimburse a member for an advance to the 49 company beyond the amount of capital the member agreed to contribute.

50 7. A payment or advance made by a member which gives rise to a limited 51 liability company obligation under subsection 6 of this section or subsection 1 of section 52 **347.1088** constitutes a loan to the company which accrues interest from the date of the 53 payment or advance.

8. A member is not entitled to remuneration for services performed for a member-managed limited liability company, except for reasonable compensation for services rendered in winding up the activities of the company.

347.1088. 1. A limited liability company shall reimburse a member of a member-managed company or the manager of a manager-managed company for any payment made by the member or manager in the course of the member's or manager's activities on behalf of the company, if the member or manager complied with sections 5 347.1082, 347.1086, and 347.1090 in making the payment.

6 2. A limited liability company shall indemnify and hold harmless a person with 7 respect to any claim or demand against the person and any debt, obligation, or other 8 liability incurred by the person by reason of the person's former or present capacity as a 9 member or manager, if the claim, demand, debt, obligation, or other liability does not 10 arise from the person's breach of section 347.1082, 347.1086, or 347.1090.

3. In the ordinary course of its activities and affairs, a limited liability company may advance reasonable expenses, including attorney's fees and costs, incurred by a person in connection with a claim or demand against the person by reason of the person's former or present capacity as a member or manager, if the person promises to repay the company if the person ultimately is determined not to be entitled to be indemnified under subsection 2 of this section.

4. A limited liability company may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of a member or manager against liability asserted against or incurred by the member or manager in that capacity or arising from that status even if, under subdivision (7) of subsection 3 of section 347.1008, the operating agreement could not eliminate or limit the person's liability to the company for the conduct giving rise to the liability.

347.1090. 1. A member of a member-managed limited liability company owes to
the company and, subject to section 347.1128, the other members the duties of loyalty
and care stated in subsections 2 and 3 of this section.

4 **2.** The fiduciary duty of loyalty of a member in a member-managed limited 5 liability company includes the duties:

6 (1) To account to the company and hold as trustee for it any property, profit, or 7 benefit derived by the member:

8 9 (a) In the conduct or winding up of the company's activities and affairs;

- (b) From a use by the member of the company's property; or
- 10 (c) From the appropriation of a company opportunity;
11 (2) To refrain from dealing with the company in the conduct or winding up of 12 the company's activities and affairs as or on behalf of a person having an interest 13 adverse to the company; and

(3) To refrain from competing with the company in the conduct of the company's
 activities and affairs before the dissolution of the company.

3. The duty of care of a member of a member-managed limited liability company in the conduct or winding up of the company's activities and affairs is to refrain from engaging in grossly negligent or reckless conduct, willful or intentional misconduct, or knowing violation of law.

4. A member shall discharge the duties and obligations under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 or under the operating agreement and exercise any rights consistently with the contractual obligation of good faith and fair dealing.

5. A member does not violate a duty or obligation under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 or under the operating agreement solely because the member's conduct furthers the member's own interest.

6. All the members of a member-managed limited liability company or a manager-managed limited liability company may authorize or ratify, after full disclosure of all material facts, a specific act or transaction that otherwise would violate the duty of loyalty.

30 7. It is a defense to a claim under subdivision (2) of subsection 2 of this section
31 and any comparable claim in equity or at common law that the transaction was fair to
32 the limited liability company.

8. If, as permitted by subsection 6 or subdivision (6) of subsection 9 of this section or the operating agreement, a member enters into a transaction with the limited liability company which otherwise would be prohibited by subdivision (2) of subsection of this section, the member's rights and obligations arising from the transaction are the same as those of a person that is not a member.

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9. In a manager-managed limited liability company, the following rules apply:

39 (1) Subsections 1, 2, 3, and 7 of this section apply to the manager or managers
40 and not the members;

41 (2) The duty stated under subdivision (3) of subsection 2 of this section continues
 42 until winding up is completed;

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(3) Subsection 4 of this section applies to managers and members;

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(4) Subsection 5 of this section applies only to members;

45 (5) The power to ratify under subsection 6 of this section applies only to the 46 members;

47 (6) Subject to subsection 4 of this section, a member does not have any duty to
48 the company or to any other member solely by reason of being a member.

**347.1092.** 1. In a member-managed limited liability company, the following rules 2 apply:

3 (1) On reasonable notice, a member may inspect and copy during regular 4 business hours, at a reasonable location specified by the company, any record 5 maintained by the company regarding the company's activities, affairs, financial 6 condition, and other circumstances, to the extent the information is material to the 7 member's rights and duties under the operating agreement or sections 347.1000 to 8 347.1228;

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(2) The company shall furnish to each member:

10 (a) Without demand, any information concerning the company's activities, 11 affairs, financial condition, and other circumstances which the company knows and is 12 material to the proper exercise of the member's rights and duties under the operating 13 agreement or sections 347.1000 to 347.1228, except to the extent the company can 14 establish that it reasonably believes the member already knows the information; and

15 (b) On demand, any other information concerning the company's activities, 16 affairs, financial condition, and other circumstances, except to the extent the demand 17 for the information demanded is unreasonable or otherwise improper under the 18 circumstances;

19 (3) The duty to furnish information under subdivision (2) of this subsection also 20 applies to each member to the extent the member knows any of the information 21 described in subdivision (2) of this subsection.

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2. In a manager-managed limited liability company, the following rules apply:

(1) The informational rights stated in subsection 1 of this section and the duty
stated in subdivision (3) of subsection 1 of this section apply to the managers and not the
members;

(2) During regular business hours and at a reasonable location specified by the
 company, a member may inspect and copy information regarding the activities, affairs,
 financial condition, and other circumstances of the company as is just and reasonable if:
 (a) The member seeks the information for a purpose reasonably related to the

30 member's interest as a member;

31 (b) The member makes a demand in a record received by the company, 32 describing with reasonable particularity the information sought and the purpose for 33 seeking the information; and

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(c) The information sought is directly connected to the member's purpose;

35 (3) Not later than ten days after receiving a demand pursuant to paragraph (b)
36 of subdivision (2) of this subsection, the company shall inform in a record the member
37 that made the demand of:

(a) What information the company will provide in response to the demand and
 when and where the company will provide the information; and

40 (b) The company's reasons for declining, if the company declines to provide any
 41 demanded information;

42 (4) When sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 or an operating agreement provides for a 43 member to vote on or give or withhold consent to a matter, before the vote is cast or 44 consent is given or withheld, the company shall, without demand, provide the member 45 with all information that is known to the company and is material to the member's 46 decision.

47 **3.** Subject to subsection 8 of this section, on ten days' demand made in a record 48 received by a limited liability company, a person dissociated as a member may have 49 access to the information to which the person was entitled while a member if:

50 (1) The information pertains to the period during which the person was a 51 member;

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(2) The person seeks the information in good faith; and

(3) The person satisfies the requirements imposed on a member by subdivision
(2) of subsection 2 of this section.

4. A limited liability company shall respond to a demand made pursuant to subsection 3 of this section in the manner provided in subdivision (3) of subsection 2 of this section.

58 5. A limited liability company may charge a person that makes a demand under 59 this section the reasonable costs of copying, limited to the costs of labor and material.

60 6. A member or person dissociated as a member may exercise the rights under 61 this section through an agent or, in the case of an individual under legal disability, a 62 legal representative. Any restriction or condition imposed by the operating agreement 63 or under subsection 8 of this section applies both to the agent or legal representative and 64 to the member or person dissociated as a member.

65 7. Subject to section 347.1100, the rights under this section do not extend to a 66 person as transferee.

8. In addition to any restriction or condition stated in its operating agreement, a limited liability company, as a matter within the ordinary course of its activities and affairs, may impose reasonable restrictions and conditions on access to and use of information to be furnished under this section, including designating information confidential and imposing nondisclosure and safeguarding obligations on the recipient.

In a dispute concerning the reasonableness of a restriction under this subsection, the
 company has the burden of proving reasonableness.

347.1094. A transferable interest is personal property.

**347.1096.** 1. Subject to subsection 6 of section 347.1098, a transfer, in whole or in 2 part, of a transferable interest:

3 (1) Is permissible;

4 (2) Does not by itself cause a person's dissociation as a member or a dissolution 5 and winding up of the limited liability company's activities and affairs; and

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(3) Subject to section 347.1100, does not entitle the transferee to:

7 (a) Participate in the management or conduct of the company's activities and 8 affairs; or

9 (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 of this section, have access to 10 records or other information concerning the company's activities and affairs.

11 **2.** A transferee has the right to receive, in accordance with the transfer, 12 distributions to which the transferor would otherwise be entitled.

3. In a dissolution and winding up of a limited liability company, a transferee is
 entitled to an account of the company's transactions only from the date of dissolution.

4. A transferable interest may be evidenced by a certificate of the interest issued by a limited liability company in a record, and, subject to this section, the interest represented by the certificate may be transferred by a transfer of the certificate.

18 5. A limited liability company need not give effect to a transferee's rights under 19 this section until the company knows or has notice of the transfer.

6. A transfer of a transferable interest in violation of a restriction on transfer contained in the operating agreement is ineffective if the intended transferee has knowledge or notice of the restriction at the time of transfer.

7. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b) of subdivision (5) of section
347.1104, if a member transfers a transferable interest, the transferor retains the rights
of a member other than the transferable interest transferred and retains all the duties
and obligations of a member.

8. If a member transfers a transferable interest to a person that becomes a member with respect to the transferred interest, the transferee is liable for the member's obligations under sections 347.1078 and 347.1084 known to the transferee when the transferee becomes a member.

347.1098. 1. On application by a judgment creditor of a member or transferee, a
court may enter a charging order against the transferable interest of the judgment
debtor for the unsatisfied amount of the judgment. Except as otherwise provided in
subsection 6 of this section, a charging order constitutes a lien on a judgment debtor's

5 transferable interest and requires the limited liability company to pay over to the person

6 to which the charging order was issued any distribution that otherwise would be paid to
7 the judgment debtor.

8 2. To the extent necessary to effectuate the collection of distributions pursuant to 9 a charging order in effect under subsection 1 of this section, the court may:

10 (1) Appoint a receiver of the distributions subject to the charging order, with the 11 power to make all inquiries the judgment debtor might have made; and

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(2) Make all other orders necessary to give effect to the charging order.

3. Upon a showing that distributions under a charging order will not pay the judgment debt within a reasonable time, the court may foreclose the lien and order the sale of the transferable interest. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 of this section, the purchaser at the foreclosure sale obtains only the transferable interest, does not thereby become a member, and is subject to section 347.1096.

4. At any time before foreclosure under subsection 3 of this section, the member or transferee whose transferable interest is subject to a charging order under subsection 1 of this section may extinguish the charging order by satisfying the judgment and filing a certified copy of the satisfaction with the court that issued the charging order.

5. At any time before foreclosure under subsection 3 of this section, a limited liability company or one or more members whose transferable interests are not subject to the charging order may pay to the judgment creditor the full amount due under the judgment and thereby succeed to the rights of the judgment creditor, including the charging order.

6. If a court orders foreclosure of a charging order lien against the sole memberof a limited liability company:

29 (1) The court shall confirm the sale;

30 (2) The purchaser at the sale obtains the member's entire interest, not only the 31 member's transferable interest;

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(3) The purchaser thereby becomes a member; and

(4) The person whose interest was subject to the foreclosed charging order is
 dissociated as a member.

35 7. Sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 do not deprive any member or transferee of the
 36 benefit of any exemption law applicable to the transferable interest of the member or
 37 transferee.

8. This section provides the exclusive remedy by which a person seeking in the capacity of judgment creditor to enforce a judgment against a member or transferee may satisfy the judgment from the judgment debtor's transferable interest. **347.1100.** If a member dies, the deceased member's legal representative may 2 exercise:

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(1) The rights of a transferee provided in subsection 3 of section 347.1096; and

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(2) For the purposes of settling the estate, the rights the deceased member had under section 347.1092.

347.1102. 1. A person has the power to dissociate as a member at any time,
2 rightfully or wrongfully, by withdrawing as a member by express will under subdivision
3 (1) of section 347.1104.

4 5 2. A person's dissociation as a member is wrongful only if the dissociation:

(1) Is in breach of an express provision of the operating agreement; or

6 (2) Occurs before the completion of the winding up of the limited liability 7 company and:

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(a) The person withdraws as a member by express will;

9 (b) The person is expelled as a member by judicial order under subdivision (6) of 10 section 347.1104;

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(c) The person is dissociated under subdivision (8) of section 347.1104; or

(d) In the case of a person that is not a trust other than a business trust, an
estate, or an individual, the person is expelled or otherwise dissociated as a member
because it willfully dissolved or terminated.

3. A person that wrongfully dissociates as a member is liable to the limited liability company and, subject to section 347.1128, to the other members for damages caused by the dissociation. The liability is in addition to any debt, obligation, or other liability of the member to the company or the other members.

347.1104. A person is dissociated as a member when:

2 (1) The limited liability company knows or has notice of the person's express will
3 to withdraw as a member, but, if the person has specified a withdrawal date later than
4 the date the company knew or had notice, on that later date;

5 (2) An event stated in the operating agreement as causing the person's 6 dissociation occurs;

7 (3) The person's entire interest is transferred in a foreclosure sale under 8 subsection 6 of section 347.1098;

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(4) The person is expelled as a member pursuant to the operating agreement;

10 (5) The person is expelled as a member by the affirmative vote or consent of all 11 the other members if:

(a) It is unlawful to carry on the limited liability company's activities and affairs
with the person as a member;

14 (b) There has been a transfer of all the person's transferable interest in the 15 company, other than:

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a. A transfer for security purposes; or

17 b. A charging order in effect under section 347.1098 which has not been 18 foreclosed;

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(c) The person is an entity and:

a. The company notifies the person that it will be expelled as a member because the person has filed a statement of dissolution or the equivalent, the person has been administratively dissolved, the person's charter or the equivalent has been revoked, or the person's right to conduct business has been suspended by the person's jurisdiction of formation; and

b. Not later than ninety days after the notification, the statement of dissolution
or the equivalent has not been withdrawn, rescinded, or revoked, the person has not
been reinstated, or the person's charter or the equivalent or right to conduct business
has not been reinstated; or

(d) The person is an unincorporated entity that has been dissolved and whose
 activities and affairs are being wound up;

(6) On application by the limited liability company or a member in a direct
action under section 347.1128, the person is expelled as a member by judicial order
because the person:

(a) Has engaged or is engaging in wrongful conduct that has affected adversely
 and materially, or will affect adversely and materially, the company's activities and
 affairs;

(b) Has committed willfully or persistently, or is committing willfully or
 persistently, a material breach of the operating agreement or a duty or obligation under
 section 347.1090; or

40 (c) Has engaged or is engaging in conduct relating to the company's activities 41 and affairs which makes it not reasonably practicable to carry on the activities and 42 affairs with the person as a member;

43 (7) In the case of an individual:

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(a) The individual dies; or

(b) In a member-managed limited liability company:

46 a. A guardian or general conservator for the individual is appointed; or

47 b. A court orders that the individual has otherwise become incapable of 48 performing the individual's duties as a member under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 or 49 the operating agreement;

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(8) In a member-managed limited liability company, the person:

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51 52 (a) Becomes a debtor in bankruptcy;

(b) Signs an assignment for the benefit of creditors; or

(c) Seeks, consents to, or acquiesces in the appointment of a trustee, receiver, or
liquidator of the person or of all or substantially all the person's property;

55 (9) In the case of a person that is a testamentary or inter vivos trust or is acting 56 as a member by virtue of being a trustee of such a trust, the trust's entire transferable 57 interest in the limited liability company is distributed;

(10) In the case of a person that is an estate or is acting as a member by virtue of
being a personal representative of an estate, the estate's entire transferable interest in
the limited liability company is distributed;

61 (11) In the case of a person that is not an individual, the existence of the person
62 terminates;

63 (12) The limited liability company participates in a merger under sections 64 347.1164 to 347.1222 and:

65 66 (a) The company is not the surviving entity; or

(b) Otherwise as a result of the merger, the person ceases to be a member;

(13) The limited liability company participates in an interest exchange under
sections 347.1164 to 347.1222 and, as a result of the interest exchange, the person ceases
to be a member;

(14) The limited liability company participates in a conversion under sections
 347.1164 to 347.1222;

(15) The limited liability company participates in a domestication under sections
347.1164 to 347.1222 and, as a result of the domestication, the person ceases to be a
member; or

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(16) The limited liability company dissolves and completes winding up.

347.1106. 1. If a person is dissociated as a member:

2 (1) The person's right to participate as a member in the management and 3 conduct of the limited liability company's activities and affairs terminates;

4 (2) The person's duties and obligations under section 347.1090 as a member end 5 with regard to matters arising and events occurring after the person's dissociation; and

6 (3) Subject to section 347.1100 and sections 347.1164 to 347.1222, any 7 transferable interest owned by the person in the person's capacity as a member 8 immediately before dissociation is owned by the person solely as a transferee.

9 2. A person's dissociation as a member does not of itself discharge the person 10 from any debt, obligation, or other liability to the limited liability company or the other 11 members which the person incurred while a member. **347.1108.** 1. A limited liability company is dissolved, and its activities and affairs 2 shall be wound up, upon the occurrence of any of the following:

3 (1) An event or circumstance that the operating agreement states causes 4 dissolution;

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(2) The affirmative vote or consent of all the members;

6 (3) The passage of ninety consecutive days during which the company has no 7 members unless before the end of the period:

8 (a) Consent to admit at least one specified person as a member is given by 9 transferees owning the rights to receive a majority of distributions as transferees at the 10 time the consent is to be effective; and

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(b) At least one person becomes a member in accordance with the consent;

12 (4) On application by a member, the entry by a court of competent jurisdiction13 of an order dissolving the company on the grounds that:

- 14 (a) The conduct of all or substantially all the company's activities and affairs is15 unlawful;
- 16 (b) It is not reasonably practicable to carry on the company's activities and 17 affairs in conformity with the certificate of organization and the operating agreement; 18 or

19 (c) The managers or those members in control of the company:

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a. Have acted, are acting, or will act in a manner that is illegal or fraudulent; or

- b. Have acted or are acting in a manner that is oppressive and was, is, or will be
  directly harmful to the applicant; or
- (5) The signing and filing of a statement of administrative dissolution by the
   secretary of state under section 347.1122.
- 25 **2.** In a proceeding brought under paragraph (c) of subdivision (4) of subsection 1 26 of this section, the court may order a remedy other than dissolution.

347.1110. 1. A dissolved limited liability company shall wind up its activities and 2 affairs and, except as otherwise provided in section 347.1112, the company continues 3 after dissolution only for the purpose of winding up.

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2. In winding up its activities and affairs, a limited liability company:

5 (1) Shall discharge the company's debts, obligations, and other liabilities, settle 6 and close the company's activities and affairs, and marshal and distribute the assets of 7 the company; and

8 (2) May:

9 (a) Deliver to the secretary of state for filing a statement of dissolution stating 10 the name of the company and that the company is dissolved; 11 (b) Preserve the company activities, affairs, and property as a going concern for 12 a reasonable time;

13 (c) Prosecute and defend actions and proceedings, whether civil, criminal, or
 14 administrative;

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(d) Transfer the company's property;

16 (e) Settle disputes by mediation or arbitration;

17 (f) Deliver to the secretary of state for filing a statement of termination stating 18 the name of the company and that the company is terminated; and

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(g) Perform other acts necessary or appropriate to the winding up.

3. If a dissolved limited liability company has no members, the legal representative of the last person to have been a member may wind up the activities and affairs of the company. If the person does so, the person has the powers of a sole manager under subsection 3 of section 347.1086 and is deemed to be a manager for the purposes of subsection 1 of section 347.1072.

4. If the legal representative under subsection 3 of this section declines or fails to wind up the limited liability company's activities and affairs, a person may be appointed to do so by the consent of transferees owning a majority of the rights to receive distributions as transferees at the time the consent is to be effective. A person appointed under this subsection:

30 (1) Has the powers of a sole manager under subsection 3 of section 347.1086 and 31 is deemed to be a manager for the purposes of subsection 1 of section 347.1072; and

32 (2) Shall deliver promptly to the secretary of state for filing an amendment to the 33 company's certificate of organization stating:

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(a) That the company has no members;

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(b) The name and street and mailing addresses of the person; and

36 (c) That the person has been appointed pursuant to this subsection to wind up37 the company.

5. A court of competent jurisdiction may order judicial supervision of the winding up of a dissolved limited liability company, including the appointment of a person to wind up the company's activities and affairs:

(1) On the application of a member, if the applicant establishes good cause;

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(2) On the application of a transferee, if:

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(a) The company does not have any members;

44 (b) The legal representative of the last person to have been a member declines or 45 fails to wind up the company's activities; and

46 (c) Within a reasonable time following the dissolution a person has not been 47 appointed pursuant to subsection 3 of this section; or

48 (3) In connection with a proceeding under subdivision (4) of subsection 1 of 49 section 347.1108.

347.1112. 1. A limited liability company may rescind its dissolution, unless a statement of termination applicable to the company has become effective, a court of competent jurisdiction has entered an order under subdivision (4) of subsection 1 of section 347.1108 dissolving the company, or the secretary of state has dissolved the company under section 347.1122.

6 7 2. Rescinding dissolution under this section requires:

(1) The affirmative vote or consent of each member; and

8 (2) If the limited liability company has delivered to the secretary of state for 9 filing a statement of dissolution and:

(a) The statement has not become effective, delivery to the secretary of state for
 filing of a statement of withdrawal under section 347.1056 applicable to the statement of
 dissolution; or

(b) If the statement of dissolution has become effective, delivery to the secretary
of state for filing of a statement of rescission stating the name of the company and that
dissolution has been rescinded under this section.

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3. If a limited liability company rescinds its dissolution:

17 (1) The company resumes carrying on its activities and affairs as if dissolution 18 had never occurred;

19 (2) Subject to subdivision (3) of this subsection, any liability incurred by the 20 company after the dissolution and before the rescission has become effective is 21 determined as if dissolution had never occurred; and

22 (3) The rights of a third party arising out of conduct in reliance on the 23 dissolution before the third party knew or had notice of the rescission shall not be 24 adversely affected.

347.1114. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4 of this section, a
2 dissolved limited liability company may give notice of a known claim under subsection 2
3 of this section, which has the effect provided in subsection 3 of this section.

4 2. A dissolved limited liability company may in a record notify its known 5 claimants of the dissolution. The notice shall:

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(1) Specify the information required to be included in a claim;

7 (2) State that a claim shall be in writing and provide a mailing address to which 8 the claim is to be sent;

9 (3) State the deadline for receipt of a claim, which shall not be less than one 10 hundred twenty days after the date the notice is received by the claimant; and

(4) State that the claim will be barred if not received by the deadline.

12 **3.** A claim against a dissolved limited liability company is barred if the 13 requirements of subsection 2 of this section are met and:

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(1) The claim is not received by the specified deadline; or

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(1) The claim is not received by the specified deadline, of(2) If the claim is timely received but rejected by the company:

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(a) The company causes the claimant to receive a notice in a record stating that

17 the claim is rejected and will be barred unless the claimant commences an action against 18 the company to enforce the claim not later than ninety days after the claimant receives 19 the notice; and

20 (b) The claimant does not commence the required action not later than ninety 21 days after the claimant receives the notice.

4. This section does not apply to a claim based on an event occurring after the date of dissolution or a liability that on that date is contingent.

347.1116. 1. A dissolved limited liability company may publish notice of its 2 dissolution and request persons having claims against the company to present them in 3 accordance with the notice.

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2. A notice under subsection 1 of this section shall:

5 (1) Be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county 6 in this state in which the dissolved limited liability company's principal office is located 7 or, if the principal office is not located in this state, in the county in which the office of 8 the company's registered agent is or was last located;

9 (2) Describe the information required to be contained in a claim, state that the 10 claim shall be in writing, and provide a mailing address to which the claim is to be sent; 11 and

12 (3) State that a claim against the company is barred unless an action to enforce 13 the claim is commenced not later than three years after publication of the notice.

3. If a dissolved limited liability company publishes a notice in accordance with subsection 2 of this section, the claim of each of the following claimants is barred unless the claimant commences an action to enforce the claim against the company not later than three years after the publication date of the notice:

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(1) A claimant that did not receive notice in a record under section 347.1114;

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(2) A claimant whose claim was timely sent to the company but not acted on; and

20 (3) A claimant whose claim is contingent at, or based on an event occurring after,
21 the date of dissolution.

4. A claim not barred under this section or section 347.1114 may be enforced:
(1) Against a dissolved limited liability company, to the extent of its

24 undistributed assets; and

(2) Except as otherwise provided in section 347.1118, if assets of the company have been distributed after dissolution, against a member or transferee to the extent of that person's proportionate share of the claim or of the company's assets distributed to the member or transferee after dissolution, whichever is less, but a person's total liability for all claims under this subdivision shall not exceed the total amount of assets distributed to the person after dissolution.

347.1118. 1. A dissolved limited liability company that has published a notice under section 347.1116 may file an application with the circuit court in the county where the company's principal office is located or, if the principal office is not located in this state, where the office of its registered agent is or was last located, for a determination of the amount and form of security to be provided for payment of claims that are reasonably expected to arise after the date of dissolution based on facts known to the company and:

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(1) At the time of application:

9 (a) Are contingent; or

10 11 (b) Have not been made known to the company; or

(2) Are based on an event occurring after the date of dissolution.

12 **2.** Security is not required for any claim that is or is reasonably anticipated to be 13 barred under section 347.1116.

3. Not later than ten days after the filing of an application under subsection 1 of
 this section, the dissolved limited liability company shall give notice of the proceeding to
 each claimant holding a contingent claim known to the company.

4. In a proceeding under this section, the court may appoint a guardian ad litem to represent all claimants whose identities are unknown. The reasonable fees and expenses of the guardian, including all reasonable expert witness fees, shall be paid by the dissolved limited liability company.

5. A dissolved limited liability company that provides security in the amount and form ordered by the court under subsection 1 of this section satisfies the company's obligations with respect to claims that are contingent, have not been made known to the company, or are based on an event occurring after the date of dissolution, and such claims shall not be enforced against a member or transferee on account of assets received in liquidation.

347.1120. 1. In winding up its activities and affairs, a limited liability company
shall apply its assets to discharge the company's obligations to creditors, including
members that are creditors.

4 2. After a limited liability company complies with subsection 1 of this section,
5 any surplus shall be distributed in the following order, subject to any charging order in
6 effect under section 347.1098:

7 (1) To each person owning a transferable interest that reflects contributions 8 made and not previously returned, an amount equal to the value of the unreturned 9 contributions; and

10 (2) Among persons owning transferable interests in proportion to their 11 respective rights to share in distributions immediately before the dissolution of the 12 company.

3. If a limited liability company does not have sufficient surplus to comply with
subdivision (1) of subsection 2 of this section, any surplus shall be distributed among the
owners of transferable interests in proportion to the value of the respective unreturned
contributions.

4. All distributions made under subsections 2 and 3 of this section shall be paidin money.

347.1122. 1. The secretary of state may commence a proceeding under 2 subsection 2 of this section to dissolve a limited liability company administratively if the 3 company does not:

4 (1) Pay any fee, tax, interest, or penalty required to be paid to the secretary of 5 state not later than six months after it is due;

6 (2) Deliver an annual report to the secretary of state not later than six months 7 after it is due; or

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(3) Have a registered agent in this state for sixty consecutive days.

9 2. If the secretary of state determines that one or more grounds exist for 10 administratively dissolving a limited liability company, the secretary of state shall serve 11 the company with notice in a record of the secretary of state's determination.

3. If a limited liability company, not later than sixty days after service of the notice under subsection 2 of this section, does not cure or demonstrate to the satisfaction of the secretary of state the nonexistence of each ground determined by the secretary of state, the secretary of state shall administratively dissolve the company by signing a statement of administrative dissolution that recites the grounds for dissolution and the effective date of dissolution. The secretary of state shall file the statement and serve a copy on the company pursuant to section 347.1060.

4. A limited liability company that is administratively dissolved continues in
 existence as an entity but shall not carry on any activities except as necessary to wind up
 its activities and affairs and liquidate its assets under sections 347.1110, 347.1114,
 347.1116, 347.1118, and 347.1120, or to apply for reinstatement under section 347.1124.

5. The administrative dissolution of a limited liability company does not
 terminate the authority of its registered agent.

347.1124. 1. A limited liability company that is administratively dissolved under 2 section 347.1122 may apply to the secretary of state for reinstatement not later than two 3 years after the effective date of dissolution. The application shall state:

4 (1) The name of the company at the time of its administrative dissolution and, if 5 needed, a different name that satisfies section 347.1022;

6 (2) The address of the principal office of the company and the name and street 7 and mailing addresses of its registered agent;

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(3) The effective date of the company's administrative dissolution; and

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(4) That the grounds for dissolution did not exist or have been cured.

2. To be reinstated, a limited liability company shall pay all fees, taxes, interest, and penalties that were due to the secretary of state at the time of the company's administrative dissolution and all fees, taxes, interest, and penalties that would have been due to the secretary of state while the company was administratively dissolved.

3. If the secretary of state determines that an application under subsection 1 of this section contains the required information, is satisfied that the information is correct, and determines that all payments required to be made to the secretary of state by subsection 2 of this section have been made, the secretary of state shall:

(1) Cancel the statement of administrative dissolution and prepare a statement
 of reinstatement that states the secretary of state's determination and the effective date
 of reinstatement; and

21 (2) File the statement of reinstatement and serve a copy on the limited liability 22 company.

4. When reinstatement under this section has become effective, the followingrules apply:

(1) The reinstatement relates back to and takes effect as of the effective date of
 the administrative dissolution;

(2) The limited liability company resumes carrying on its activities and affairs as
 if the administrative dissolution had not occurred;

(3) The rights of a person arising out of an act or omission in reliance on the
 dissolution before the person knew or had notice of the reinstatement are not affected.

347.1126. 1. If the secretary of state denies a limited liability company's 2 application for reinstatement following administrative dissolution, the secretary of state 3 shall serve the company with a notice in a record that explains the reasons for the 4 denial. 5 2. A limited liability company may seek judicial review of denial of 6 reinstatement in a court of competent jurisdiction not later than thirty days after 7 service of the notice of denial.

347.1128. 1. Subject to subsection 2 of this section, a member may maintain a direct action against another member, a manager, or the limited liability company to enforce the member's rights and protect the member's interests, including rights and interests under the operating agreement or sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 or arising independently of the membership relationship.

6 2. A member maintaining a direct action under this section shall plead and prove 7 an actual or threatened injury that is not solely the result of an injury suffered or 8 threatened to be suffered by the limited liability company.

**347.1130.** A member may maintain a derivative action to enforce a right of a 2 limited liability company if:

3 (1) The member first makes a demand on the other members in a member-4 managed limited liability company, or the managers of a manager-managed limited 5 liability company, requesting that they cause the company to bring an action to enforce 6 the right, and the managers or other members do not bring the action within a 7 reasonable time; or

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(2) A demand under subdivision (1) of this section would be futile.

347.1132. A derivative action to enforce a right of a limited liability company 2 may be maintained only by a person that is a member at the time the action is 3 commenced and:

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(1) Was a member when the conduct giving rise to the action occurred; or

5 (2) Whose status as a member devolved on the person by operation of law or 6 pursuant to the terms of the operating agreement from a person that was a member at 7 the time of the conduct.

347.1134. In a derivative action, the complaint shall state with particularity:

2 (1) The date and content of plaintiff's demand and the response to the demand 3 by the managers or other members; or

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(2) Why demand should be excused as futile.

347.1136. 1. If a limited liability company is named as or made a party in a derivative proceeding, the company may appoint a special litigation committee to investigate the claims asserted in the proceeding and determine whether pursuing the action is in the best interests of the company. If the company appoints a special litigation committee, on motion by the committee made in the name of the company, except for good cause shown, the court shall stay discovery for the time reasonably

prevent the court from:

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7 necessary to permit the committee to make its investigation. This subsection does not

9 (1) Enforcing a person's right to information under section 347.1092; or 10 (2) Granting extraordinary relief in the form of a temporary restraining order or preliminary injunction. 11 12 2. A special litigation committee shall be composed of one or more disinterested 13 and independent individuals, who may be members. 14 3. A special litigation committee may be appointed: 15 (1) In a member-managed limited liability company: 16 (a) By the affirmative vote or consent of a majority of the members not named as 17 parties in the proceeding; or 18 (b) If all members are named as parties in the proceeding, by a majority of the 19 members named as defendants; or 20 (2) In a manager-managed limited liability company: 21 (a) By a majority of the managers not named as parties in the proceeding; or 22 (b) If all managers are named as parties in the proceeding, by a majority of the 23 managers named as defendants. 24 4. After appropriate investigation, a special litigation committee may determine that it is in the best interests of the limited liability company that the proceeding: 25 26 (1) Continue under the control of the plaintiff; 27 (2) Continue under the control of the committee; 28 (3) Be settled on terms approved by the committee; or

29 (4) Be dismissed.

30 5. After making a determination under subsection 4 of this section, a special litigation committee shall file with the court a statement of its determination and its 31 32 report supporting its determination and shall serve each party with a copy of the 33 determination and report. The court shall determine whether the members of the 34 committee were disinterested and independent and whether the committee conducted its 35 investigation and made its recommendation in good faith, independently, and with 36 reasonable care, with the committee having the burden of proof. If the court finds that 37 the members of the committee were disinterested and independent and that the committee acted in good faith, independently, and with reasonable care, the court shall 38 39 enforce the determination of the committee. Otherwise, the court shall dissolve the stay 40 of discovery entered under subsection 1 of this section and allow the action to continue under the control of the plaintiff. 41

347.1138. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of this section:

2 (1) Any proceeds or other benefits of a derivative action, whether by judgment, 3 compromise, or settlement, belong to the limited liability company and not to the 4 plaintiff; and

5 If the plaintiff receives any proceeds, the plaintiff shall remit them (2) 6 immediately to the company.

7 2. If a derivative action is successful in whole or in part, the court may award the 8 plaintiff reasonable expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs, from the recovery of the limited liability company. 9

10 3. A derivative action on behalf of a limited liability company shall not be 11 voluntarily dismissed or settled without the court's approval.

347.1140. 1. The law of the jurisdiction of formation of a foreign limited liability 2 company governs:

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(1) The internal affairs of the company;

4 (2) The liability of a member as member and a manager as manager for a debt, 5 obligation, or other liability of the company; and

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(3) The liability of a series of the company.

7 2. A foreign limited liability company is not precluded from registering to do 8 business in this state because of any difference between the law of its jurisdiction of 9 formation and the law of this state.

10 3. Registration of a foreign limited liability company to do business in this state does not authorize the foreign company to engage in any activities and affairs or 11 exercise any power that a limited liability company shall not engage in or exercise in this 12 13 state.

347.1142. 1. A foreign limited liability company shall not do business in this state until it registers with the secretary of state under sections 347.1140 to 347.1162. 2

3 2. A foreign limited liability company doing business in this state shall not 4 maintain an action or proceeding in this state unless it is registered to do business in this 5 state.

6 3. The failure of a foreign limited liability company to register to do business in this state does not impair the validity of a contract or act of the company or preclude it 7 from defending an action or proceeding in this state. 8

9 4. A limitation on the liability of a member or manager of a foreign limited 10 liability company is not waived solely because the company does business in this state without registering to do business in this state. 11

12 5. Subsections 1 and 2 of section 347.1140 apply even if a foreign limited liability company fails to register under sections 347.1140 to 347.1162. 13

347.1144. To register to do business in this state, a foreign limited liability company shall deliver a foreign registration statement to the secretary of state for filing. 2 3 The statement shall state:

4 (1) The name of the company and, if the name does not comply with section 5 347.1022, an alternate name adopted pursuant to subsection 1 of section 347.1150;

(2) That the company is a foreign limited liability company;

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(3) The company's jurisdiction of formation;

8 (4) The street and mailing addresses of the company's principal office and, if the 9 law of the company's jurisdiction of formation requires the company to maintain an office in that jurisdiction, the street and mailing addresses of the required office; and 10

11 (5) The name and street and mailing addresses of the company's registered agent in this state. 12

347.1146. A registered foreign limited liability company shall deliver to the secretary of state for filing an amendment to its foreign registration statement if there is 2 3 a change in:

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(1) The name of the company;

(2) The company's jurisdiction of formation;

- 6 (3) An address required by subdivision (4) of section 347.1144; or
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(4) The information required by subdivision (5) of section 347.1144. 347.1148. 1. Activities of a foreign limited liability company which do not

constitute doing business in this state under sections 347.1140 to 347.1162 include: 2

3 (1) Maintaining, defending, mediating, arbitrating, or settling an action or proceeding; 4

5 (2) Carrying on any activity concerning its internal affairs, including holding meetings of its members or managers; 6

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(3) Maintaining accounts in financial institutions;

8 (4) Maintaining offices or agencies for the transfer, exchange, and registration of 9 securities of the company or maintaining trustees or depositories with respect to those 10 securities;

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(5) Selling through independent contractors;

12 (6) Soliciting or obtaining orders by any means if the orders require acceptance outside this state before they become contracts; 13

(7) Creating or acquiring indebtedness, mortgages, or security interests in 14 15 property;

16 (8) Securing or collecting debts or enforcing mortgages or security interests in property securing the debts and holding, protecting, or maintaining property; 17

18 (9) Conducting an isolated transaction that is not in the course of similar 19 transactions;

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(10) Owning, without more, property; and

(11) Doing business in interstate commerce.

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22 2. A person does not do business in this state solely by being a member or 23 manager of a foreign limited liability company that does business in this state.

24 3. This section does not apply in determining the contacts or activities that may 25 subject a foreign limited liability company to service of process, taxation, or regulation under law of this state other than sections 347.1000 to 347.1228. 26

347.1150. 1. A foreign limited liability company whose name does not comply 2 with section 347.1022 shall not register to do business in this state until it adopts, for the purpose of doing business in this state, an alternate name that complies with section 3 4 347.1022. A company that registers under an alternate name under this subsection need not comply with sections 417.200 to 417.230. After registering to do business in this 5 state with an alternate name, a company shall do business in this state under: 6

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(1) The alternate name;

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(2) The company's name, with the addition of its jurisdiction of formation; or

(3) A name the company is authorized to use under sections 417.200 to 417.230.

10 2. If a registered foreign limited liability company changes its name to one that 11 does not comply with section 347.1022, it shall not do business in this state until it 12 complies with subsection 1 of this section by amending its registration to adopt an 13 alternate name that complies with section 347.1022.

347.1152. A registered foreign limited liability company that converts to a 2 domestic limited liability partnership or to a domestic entity whose formation requires delivery of a record to the secretary of state for filing is deemed to have withdrawn its 3 4 registration on the effective date of the conversion.

347.1154. 1. A registered foreign limited liability company that has dissolved 2 and completed winding up or has converted to a domestic or foreign entity whose formation does not require the public filing of a record, other than a limited liability 3 partnership, shall deliver a statement of withdrawal to the secretary of state for filing. 4 The statement shall state: 5

6 7 (1) In the case of a company that has completed winding up:

8 9 (a) Its name and jurisdiction of formation;

- (b) That the company surrenders its registration to do business in this state; and
  - (2) In the case of a company that has converted:
- 10 (a) The name of the converting company and its jurisdiction of formation;

11 (b) The type of entity to which the company has converted and its jurisdiction of 12 formation;

13 (c) That the converted entity surrenders the converting company's registration 14 to do business in this state and revokes the authority of the converting company's 15 registered agent to act as registered agent in this state on behalf of the company or the 16 converted entity; and

17 (d) A mailing address to which service of process may be made under subsection18 2 of this section.

After a withdrawal under this section has become effective, service of process
 in any action or proceeding based on a cause of action arising during the time the
 foreign limited liability company was registered to do business in this state may be made
 pursuant to section 347.1036.

347.1156. 1. When a registered foreign limited liability company has merged into a foreign entity that is not registered to do business in this state or has converted to a foreign entity required to register with the secretary of state to do business in this state, the foreign entity shall deliver to the secretary of state for filing an application for transfer of registration. The application shall state:

6 (1) The name of the registered foreign limited liability company before the 7 merger or conversion;

8 (2) That before the merger or conversion the registration pertained to a foreign 9 limited liability company;

10 (3) The name of the applicant foreign entity into which the foreign limited 11 liability company has merged or to which it has been converted and, if the name does 12 not comply with section 347.1022, an alternate name adopted pursuant to subsection 1 13 of section 347.1150;

14 (4) The type of entity of the applicant foreign entity and its jurisdiction of 15 formation;

16 (5) The street and mailing addresses of the principal office of the applicant 17 foreign entity and, if the law of the entity's jurisdiction of formation requires the entity 18 to maintain an office in that jurisdiction, the street and mailing addresses of that office; 19 and

20 (6) The name and street and mailing addresses of the applicant foreign entity's 21 registered agent in this state.

22 2. When an application for transfer of registration takes effect, the registration 23 of the foreign limited liability company to do business in this state is transferred without 24 interruption to the foreign entity into which the company has merged or to which it has 25 been converted. 347.1158. 1. The secretary of state may terminate the registration of a registered foreign limited liability company in the manner provided in subsections 2 and 3 of this section if the company does not:

4 (1) Pay, not later than sixty days after the due date, any fee, tax, interest, or 5 penalty required to be paid to the secretary of state under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 6 or law other than sections 347.1000 to 347.1228;

7 (2) Deliver to the secretary of state for filing, not later than sixty days after the 8 due date, an annual report required under section 347.1064;

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(3) Have a registered agent as required by section 347.1028; or

10 (4) Deliver to the secretary of state for filing a statement of a change under 11 section 347.1030 not later than thirty days after a change has occurred in the name or 12 address of the registered agent.

The secretary of state may terminate the registration of a registered foreign
 limited liability company by:

15 (1) Filing a notice of termination or noting the termination in the records of the 16 secretary of state; and

17 (2) Delivering a copy of the notice or the information in the notation to the 18 company's registered agent or, if the company does not have a registered agent, to the 19 company's principal office.

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3. The notice shall state or the information in the notation shall include:

21 (1) The effective date of the termination, which shall be at least sixty days after 22 the date the secretary of state delivers the copy; and

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(2) The grounds for termination under subsection 1 of this section.

4. The authority of a registered foreign limited liability company to do business in this state ceases on the effective date of the notice of termination or notation under subsection 2 of this section, unless before that date the company cures each ground for termination stated in the notice or notation. If the company cures each ground, the secretary of state shall file a record so stating.

347.1160. 1. A registered foreign limited liability company may withdraw its
2 registration by delivering a statement of withdrawal to the secretary of state for filing.
3 The statement of withdrawal shall state:

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(1) The name of the company and its jurisdiction of formation;

5 (2) That the company is not doing business in this state and that it withdraws its 6 registration to do business in this state;

7 (3) That the company revokes the authority of its registered agent to accept 8 service on its behalf in this state; and 9 (4) An address to which service of process may be made under subsection 2 of 10 this section.

2. After the withdrawal of the registration of a foreign limited liability company,
 service of process in any action or proceeding based on a cause of action arising during
 the time the company was registered to do business in this state may be made pursuant
 to section 347.1036.

347.1162. The attorney general may maintain an action to enjoin a foreign
2 limited liability company from doing business in this state in violation of sections
3 347.1140 to 347.1162.

347.1164. In sections 347.1164 to 347.1222:

2 (1) "Acquired entity" means the entity, all of one or more classes or series of 3 interests of which are acquired in an interest exchange;

4 (2) "Acquiring entity" means the entity that acquires all of one or more classes 5 or series of interests of the acquired entity in an interest exchange;

6 (3) "Conversion" means a transaction authorized by sections 347.1200 to 7 347.1210;

8 (4) "Converted entity" means the converting entity as it continues in existence 9 after a conversion;

10 (5) "Converting entity" means the domestic entity that approves a plan of 11 conversion pursuant to section 347.1204 or the foreign entity that approves a conversion 12 pursuant to the law of its jurisdiction of formation;

(6) "Distributional interest" means the right under an unincorporated entity's
 organic law and organic rules to receive distributions from the entity;

15 (7) "Domestic", with respect to an entity, means governed as to its internal 16 affairs by the law of this state;

17 (8) "Domesticated limited liability company" means the domesticating limited 18 liability company as it continues in existence after a domestication;

19 (9) "Domesticating limited liability company" means the domestic limited 20 liability company that approves a plan of domestication pursuant to section 347.1216 or 21 the foreign limited liability company that approves a domestication pursuant to the law 22 of its jurisdiction of formation;

(10) "Domestication" means a transaction authorized by sections 347.1212 to
 347.1222;

25 (11) "Entity":

26 (a) Means:

27 **a.** A business corporation;

28 **b.** A nonprofit corporation;

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29	c. A general partnership, including a limited liability partnership;
30	d. A limited partnership, including a limited liability limited partnership;
31	e. A limited liability company;
32	f. A general cooperative association;
33	g. A limited cooperative association;
34	h. An unincorporated nonprofit association;
35	i. A statutory trust, business trust, or common-law business trust; or
36	j. Any other person that has:
37	(i) A legal existence separate from any interest holder of that person; or
38	(ii) The power to acquire an interest in real property in its own name; and
39	(b) Does not include:
40	a. An individual;
41	b. A trust with a predominantly donative purpose or a charitable trust;
42	c. An association or relationship that is not an entity listed in paragraph (a) of
43	this subdivision and is not a partnership under the rules stated in section 358.070 or a
44	similar provision of the law of another jurisdiction;
45	d. A decedent's estate; or
46	e. A government or a governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality;
47	(12) "Filing entity" means an entity whose formation requires the filing of a
48 49	public organic record. The term does not include a limited liability partnership; (13) "Foreign" with respect to an artity means on artity governed as to its
49 50	(13) "Foreign", with respect to an entity, means an entity governed as to its internal affairs by the law of a jurisdiction other than this state;
51	(14) "Governance interest" means a right under the organic law or organic rules
52	of an unincorporated entity, other than as a governor, agent, assignee, or proxy, to:
53	(a) Receive or demand access to information concerning, or the books and
54	records of, the entity;
55	(b) Vote for or consent to the election of the governors of the entity; or
56	(c) Receive notice of or vote on or consent to an issue involving the internal
57	affairs of the entity;
58	(15) "Governor" means:
59	(a) A director of a business corporation;
60	(b) A director or trustee of a nonprofit corporation;
61	(c) A general partner of a general partnership;
62	(d) A general partner of a limited partnership;
63	(e) A manager of a manager-managed limited liability company;
64	(f) A member of a member-managed limited liability company;
65	(g) A director of a general cooperative association;

HCS SS SCS SBs 3 & 69 61 66 (h) A director of a limited cooperative association; 67 (i) A manager of an unincorporated nonprofit association; 68 (j) A trustee of a statutory trust, business trust, or common-law business trust; 69 or 70 Any other person under whose authority the powers of an entity are (k) 71 exercised and under whose direction the activities and affairs of the entity are managed 72 pursuant to the organic law and organic rules of the entity; (16) "Interest" means: 73 74 (a) A share in a business corporation; 75 (b) A membership in a nonprofit corporation; 76 (c) A partnership interest in a general partnership; 77 (d) A partnership interest in a limited partnership; 78 (e) A membership interest in a limited liability company; 79 (f) A share in a general cooperative association; 80 (g) A member's interest in a limited cooperative association; 81 (h) A membership in an unincorporated nonprofit association; 82 (i) A beneficial interest in a statutory trust, business trust, or common-law 83 business trust; or 84 A governance interest or distributional interest in any other type of (i) 85 unincorporated entity; (17) "Interest exchange" means a transaction authorized by sections 347.1188 to 86 87 347.1198: (18) "Interest holder" means: 88 89 (a) A shareholder of a business corporation; 90 (b) A member of a nonprofit corporation; 91 (c) A general partner of a general partnership; 92 (d) A general partner of a limited partnership; 93 (e) A limited partner of a limited partnership; 94 (f) A member of a limited liability company; 95 (g) A shareholder of a general cooperative association; 96 (h) A member of a limited cooperative association; 97 (i) A member of an unincorporated nonprofit association; 98 (j) A beneficiary or beneficial owner of a statutory trust, business trust, or 99 common-law business trust; or 100 (k) Any other direct holder of an interest; 101 (19) "Interest holder liability" means: 102 (a) Personal liability for a liability of an entity which is imposed on a person:

a. Solely by reason of the status of the person as an interest holder; or 103 104 b. By the organic rules of the entity which make one or more specified interest 105 holders or categories of interest holders liable in their capacity as interest holders for all or specified liabilities of the entity; or 106 107 (b) An obligation of an interest holder under the organic rules of an entity to 108 contribute to the entity; 109 (20) "Merger" means a transaction authorized by sections 347.1176 to 347.1186; 110 (21) "Merging entity" means an entity that is a party to a merger and exists 111 immediately before the merger becomes effective; 112 (22) "Organic law" means the law of an entity's jurisdiction of formation 113 governing the internal affairs of the entity; 114 (23) "Organic rules" means the public organic record and private organic rules 115 of an entity; 116 "Plan" means a plan of merger, plan of interest exchange, plan of (24)117 conversion, or plan of domestication; 118 (25) "Plan of conversion" means a plan under section 347.1202; 119 (26) "Plan of domestication" means a plan under section 347.1214; 120 (27) "Plan of interest exchange" means a plan under section 347.1190; 121 (28) "Plan of merger" means a plan under section 347.1178; (29) "Private organic rules" means the rules, whether in a record, that govern 122 the internal affairs of an entity, are binding on all its interest holders, and are not part of 123 124 its public organic record, if any. The term includes: 125 (a) The bylaws of a business corporation; 126 (b) The bylaws of a nonprofit corporation; 127 (c) The partnership agreement of a general partnership; 128 (d) The partnership agreement of a limited partnership; 129 (e) The operating agreement of a limited liability company; 130 (f) The bylaws of a general cooperative association; 131 (g) The bylaws of a limited cooperative association; 132 (h) The governing principles of an unincorporated nonprofit association; and 133 (i) The trust instrument of a statutory trust or similar rules of a business trust or 134 common-law business trust; 135 (30) "Protected agreement" means: (a) A record evidencing indebtedness and any related agreement in effect on 136 137 August 28, 2023; 138 (b) An agreement that is binding on an entity on August 28, 2023; 139 (c) The organic rules of an entity in effect on August 28, 2023; or

140 (d) An agreement that is binding on any of the governors or interest holders of141 an entity on August 28, 2023;

(31) "Public organic record" means the record the filing of which by the
secretary of state is required to form an entity and any amendment to or restatement of
that record. The term includes:

145 (a) The articles of incorporation of a business corporation;

146 **(b)** The articles of incorporation of a nonprofit corporation;

147 (c) The certificate of limited partnership of a limited partnership;

148 (d) The certificate of organization of a limited liability company;

149 (e) The articles of incorporation of a general cooperative association;

150 (f) The articles of organization of a limited cooperative association; and

151 (g) The certificate of trust of a statutory trust or similar record of a business152 trust.

153 (32) "Registered foreign entity" means a foreign entity that is registered to do 154 business in this state pursuant to a record filed by the secretary of state;

155 (33) "Statement of conversion" means a statement under section 347.1208;

156 (34) "Statement of domestication" means a statement under section 347.1220;

157 (35) "Statement of interest exchange" means a statement under section 158 347.1196;

159 (36) "Statement of merger" means a statement under section 347.1184;

160 (37) "Surviving entity" means the entity that continues in existence after or is 161 created by a merger;

162 (38) "Type of entity" means a generic form of entity:

163 (a) Recognized at common law; or

164 (b) Formed under an organic law, whether some entities formed under that 165 organic law are subject to provisions of that law that create different categories of the 166 form of entity.

347.1166. 1. Sections 347.1164 to 347.1222 do not authorize an act prohibited by,
and do not affect the application or requirements of, law other than sections 347.1164 to
347.1222.

2. A transaction effected under sections 347.1164 to 347.1222 shall not create or 5 impair a right, duty or obligation of a person under the statutory law of this state other 6 than sections 347.1164 to 347.1222 relating to a change in control, takeover, business 7 combination, control-share acquisition, or similar transaction involving a domestic 8 merging, acquired, converting, or domesticating business corporation unless:

9 (1) If the corporation does not survive the transaction, the transaction satisfies 10 any requirements of the law; or 11 (2) If the corporation survives the transaction, the approval of the plan is by a 12 vote of the shareholders or directors which would be sufficient to create or impair the 13 right, duty, or obligation directly under the law.

347.1168. 1. A domestic or foreign entity that is required to give notice to, or 2 obtain the approval of, a governmental agency or officer of this state to be a party to a 3 merger shall give the notice or obtain the approval to be a party to an interest exchange, 4 conversion, or domestication.

5 2. Property held for a charitable purpose under the law of this state by a 6 domestic or foreign entity immediately before a transaction under sections 347.1164 to 7 347.1222 becomes effective shall not, as a result of the transaction, be diverted from the 8 objects for which it was donated, granted, devised, or otherwise transferred unless, to 9 the extent required by or pursuant to the law of this state concerning cy pres or other 10 law dealing with nondiversion of charitable assets, the entity obtains an appropriate 11 order of a court of competent jurisdiction specifying the disposition of the property.

12 **3.** A bequest, devise, gift, grant, or promise contained in a will or other 13 instrument of donation, subscription, or conveyance which is made to a merging entity 14 that is not the surviving entity and which takes effect or remains payable after the 15 merger inures to the surviving entity.

4. A trust obligation that would govern property if transferred to a nonsurviving
 entity applies to property that is transferred to the surviving entity under this section.

347.1170. The fact that a transaction under sections 347.1164 to 347.1222 produces a certain result does not preclude the same result from being accomplished in any other manner permitted by law other than sections 347.1164 to 347.1222.

347.1172. A plan may refer to facts ascertainable outside the plan if the manner in which the facts will operate upon the plan is specified in the plan. The facts may include the occurrence of an event or a determination or action by a person, whether the event, determination, or action is within the control of a party to the transaction.

347.1174. An interest holder of a domestic merging, acquired, converting, or 2 domesticating limited liability company is entitled to contractual appraisal rights in 3 connection with a transaction under sections 347.1164 to 347.1222 to the extent provided 4 in:

- (1) The operating agreement; or
- 6 **(2)** The plan.

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347.1176. 1. By complying with sections 347.1176 to 347.1186:

2 (1) One or more domestic limited liability companies may merge with one or 3 more domestic or foreign entities into a domestic or foreign surviving entity; and

(2) Two or more foreign entities may merge into a domestic limited liability 4 company. 5

6 2. By complying with the provisions of sections 347.1176 to 347.1186 applicable 7 to foreign entities, a foreign entity may be a party to a merger under sections 347.1176 to 347.1186 or may be the surviving entity in such a merger if the merger is authorized by 8 the law of the foreign entity's jurisdiction of formation. 9

347.1178. 1. A domestic limited liability company may become a party to a merger under sections 347.1176 to 347.1186 by approving a plan of merger. The plan 2 3 shall be in a record and contain:

4 (1) As to each merging entity, its name, jurisdiction of formation, and type of 5 entity;

6 (2) If the surviving entity is to be created in the merger, a statement to that effect and the entity's name, jurisdiction of formation, and type of entity; 7

- (3) The manner of converting the interests in each party to the merger into 8 9 interests, securities, obligations, moneys, other property, rights to acquire interests or 10 securities, or any combination of the foregoing;
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(4) If the surviving entity exists before the merger, any proposed amendments to:

- (a) Its public organic record, if any; and
- 13 (b) Its private organic rules that are, or are proposed to be, in a record;

14 (5) If the surviving entity is to be created in the merger:

15 (a) Its proposed public organic record, if any; and

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- 17 (6) The other terms and conditions of the merger; and
- 18 (7) Any other provision required by the law of a merging entity's jurisdiction of formation or the organic rules of a merging entity. 19
- 20 2. In addition to the requirements of subsection 1 of this section, a plan of 21 merger may contain any other provision not prohibited by law.

347.1180. 1. A plan of merger is not effective unless it has been approved:

(b) The full text of its private organic rules that are proposed to be in a record;

2 (1) By a domestic merging limited liability company, by all the members of the company entitled to vote on or consent to any matter; and 3

4 (2) In a record, by each member of a domestic merging limited liability company which will have interest holder liability for debts, obligations, and other liabilities that 5 6 are incurred after the merger becomes effective, unless:

7 (a) The operating agreement of the company provides in a record for the 8 approval of a merger in which some or all of its members become subject to interest 9 holder liability by the affirmative vote or consent of fewer than all the members; and

10 (b) The member consented in a record to or voted for that provision of the 11 operating agreement or became a member after the adoption of that provision.

A merger involving a domestic merging entity that is not a limited liability
 company is not effective unless the merger is approved by that entity in accordance with
 its organic law.

15 3. A merger involving a foreign merging entity is not effective unless the merger 16 is approved by the foreign entity in accordance with the law of the foreign entity's 17 jurisdiction of formation.

**347.1182.** 1. A plan of merger may be amended only with the consent of each 2 party to the plan, except as otherwise provided in the plan.

3 2. A domestic merging limited liability company may approve an amendment of
4 a plan of merger:

5 (1) In the same manner as the plan was approved, if the plan does not provide 6 for the manner in which it may be amended; or

7 (2) By its managers or members in the manner provided in the plan, but a 8 member that was entitled to vote on or consent to approval of the merger is entitled to 9 vote on or consent to any amendment of the plan that will change:

10 (a) The amount or kind of interests, securities, obligations, moneys, other 11 property, rights to acquire interests or securities, or any combination of the foregoing, to 12 be received by the interest holders of any party to the plan;

13 (b) The public organic record, if any, or private organic rules of the surviving 14 entity that will be in effect immediately after the merger becomes effective, except for 15 changes that do not require approval of the interest holders of the surviving entity 16 under its organic law or organic rules; or

17 (c) Any other terms or conditions of the plan, if the change would adversely 18 affect the member in any material respect.

19 3. After a plan of merger has been approved and before a statement of merger 20 becomes effective, the plan may be abandoned as provided in the plan. Unless 21 prohibited by the plan, a domestic merging limited liability company may abandon the 22 plan in the same manner as the plan was approved.

4. If a plan of merger is abandoned after a statement of merger has been delivered to the secretary of state for filing and before the statement becomes effective, a statement of abandonment, signed by a party to the plan, shall be delivered to the secretary of state for filing before the statement of merger becomes effective. The statement of abandonment takes effect on filing, and the merger is abandoned and does not become effective. The statement of abandonment shall contain:

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(1) The name of each party to the plan of merger;

30 (2) The date on which the statement of merger was filed by the secretary of state; 31 and 32 (3) A statement that the merger has been abandoned in accordance with this 33 section.

347.1184. 1. A statement of merger shall be signed by each merging entity and delivered to the secretary of state for filing. 2

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2. A statement of merger shall contain:

4 (1) The name, jurisdiction of formation, and type of entity of each merging entity that is not the surviving entity; 5

(2) The name, jurisdiction of formation, and type of entity of the surviving 6 7 entity;

8 (3) A statement that the merger was approved by each domestic merging entity, if any, in accordance with sections 347.1176 to 347.1186 and by each foreign merging 9 entity, if any, in accordance with the law of its jurisdiction of formation; 10

11 (4) If the surviving entity exists before the merger and is a domestic filing entity, 12 any amendment to its public organic record approved as part of the plan of merger;

13 (5) If the surviving entity is created by the merger and is a domestic filing entity, 14 its public organic record, as an attachment; and

15 (6) If the surviving entity is created by the merger and is a domestic limited 16 liability partnership, its statement of qualification, as an attachment.

17 3. In addition to the requirements of subsection 2 of this section, a statement of 18 merger may contain any other provision not prohibited by law.

19 4. If the surviving entity is a domestic entity, its public organic record, if any, 20 shall satisfy the requirements of the law of this state, except that the public organic 21 record does not need to be signed.

22 5. A plan of merger that is signed by all the merging entities and meets all the 23 requirements of subsection 2 of this section may be delivered to the secretary of state for 24 filing instead of a statement of merger and on filing has the same effect. If a plan of 25 merger is filed as provided in this subsection, references in sections 347.1164 to 347.1222 to a statement of merger refer to the plan of merger filed under this subsection. 26

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6. If the surviving entity is a domestic limited liability company, the merger becomes effective when the statement of merger is effective. In all other cases, the 28 29 merger becomes effective on the later of:

(1) The date and time provided by the organic law of the surviving entity; and

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(2) When the statement is effective.

347.1186. 1. When a merger becomes effective:

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(1) The surviving entity continues or comes into existence;

(2) Each merging entity that is not the surviving entity ceases to exist;

4 (3) All property of each merging entity vests in the surviving entity without 5 transfer, reversion, or impairment;

6 (4) All debts, obligations, and other liabilities of each merging entity are debts,
7 obligations, and other liabilities of the surviving entity;

8 (5) Except as otherwise provided by law or the plan of merger, all the rights, 9 privileges, immunities, powers, and purposes of each merging entity vest in the 10 surviving entity;

(6) If the surviving entity exists before the merger:

12 (a) All its property continues to be vested in it without transfer, reversion, or 13 impairment;

(b) It remains subject to all its debts, obligations, and other liabilities; and

15 (c) All its rights, privileges, immunities, powers, and purposes continue to be 16 vested in it;

17 (7) The name of the surviving entity may be substituted for the name of any 18 merging entity that is a party to any pending action or proceeding;

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(8) If the surviving entity exists before the merger:

20 (a) Its public organic record, if any, is amended to the extent provided in the 21 statement of merger; and

(b) Its private organic rules that are to be in a record, if any, are amended to the
extent provided in the plan of merger;

24 (9) If the surviving entity is created by the merger, its private organic rules are 25 effective and:

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(a) If it is a filing entity, its public organic record becomes effective; and

(b) If it is a limited liability partnership, its statement of qualification becomeseffective; and

(10) The interests in each merging entity which are to be converted in the merger are converted, and the interest holders of those interests are entitled only to the rights provided to them under the plan of merger and to any appraisal rights they have under section 347.1174 and the merging entity's organic law.

2. Except as otherwise provided in the organic law or organic rules of a merging entity, the merger does not give rise to any rights that an interest holder, governor, or third party would have upon a dissolution, liquidation, or winding up of the merging entity.

37 3. When a merger becomes effective, a person that did not have interest holder 38 liability with respect to any of the merging entities and becomes subject to interest 39 holder liability with respect to a domestic entity as a result of the merger has interest 40 holder liability only to the extent provided by the organic law of that entity and only for
41 those debts, obligations, and other liabilities that are incurred after the merger becomes

41 those debts, obligations, and other habilities that are incurred after the merger becomes 42 effective.

43 **4.** When a merger becomes effective, the interest holder liability of a person that 44 ceases to hold an interest in a domestic merging limited liability company with respect to 45 which the person had interest holder liability is subject to the following rules:

46 (1) The merger does not discharge any interest holder liability under sections
47 347.1000 to 347.1228 to the extent the interest holder liability was incurred before the
48 merger became effective;

49 (2) The person does not have interest holder liability under sections 347.1000 to
 50 347.1228 for any debt, obligation, or other liability that is incurred after the merger
 51 becomes effective;

52 (3) Sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 continue to apply to the release, collection, or 53 discharge of any interest holder liability preserved under subdivision (1) of this 54 subsection as if the merger had not occurred;

55 (4) The person has all rights of contribution from any other person as are 56 provided by sections 347.1000 to 347.1228, law other than sections 347.1000 to 347.1228, 57 or the operating agreement of the domestic merging limited liability company with 58 respect to any interest holder liability preserved under subdivision (1) of this subsection 59 as if the merger had not occurred.

5. When a merger becomes effective, a foreign entity that is the surviving entity may be served with process in this state for the collection and enforcement of any debts, obligations, or other liabilities of a domestic merging limited liability company as provided in section 347.1036.

64 6. When a merger becomes effective, the registration to do business in this state 65 of any foreign merging entity that is not the surviving entity is cancelled.

347.1188. 1. By complying with sections 347.1188 to 347.1198:

2 (1) A domestic limited liability company may acquire all of one or more classes 3 or series of interests of another domestic entity or a foreign entity in exchange for 4 interests, securities, obligations, moneys, other property, rights to acquire interests or 5 securities, or any combination of the foregoing; or

6 (2) All of one or more classes or series of interests of a domestic limited liability 7 company may be acquired by another domestic entity or a foreign entity in exchange for 8 interests, securities, obligations, moneys, other property, rights to acquire interests or 9 securities, or any combination of the foregoing.

10 **2.** By complying with the provisions of sections 347.1188 to 347.1198 applicable 11 to foreign entities, a foreign entity may be the acquiring or acquired entity in an interest

12 exchange under sections 347.1188 to 347.1198 if the interest exchange is authorized by13 the law of the foreign entity's jurisdiction of formation.

3. If a protected agreement contains a provision that applies to a merger of a domestic limited liability company but does not refer to an interest exchange, the provision applies to an interest exchange in which the domestic limited liability company is the acquired entity as if the interest exchange were a merger until the provision is amended after August 28, 2023.

347.1190. 1. A domestic limited liability company may be the acquired entity in 2 an interest exchange under sections 347.1188 to 347.1198 by approving a plan of interest 3 exchange. The plan shall be in a record and contain:

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(1) The name of the acquired entity;

5 (2) The name, jurisdiction of formation, and type of entity of the acquiring 6 entity;

7 (3) The manner of converting the interests in the acquired entity into interests,
8 securities, obligations, moneys, other property, rights to acquire interests or securities,
9 or any combination of the foregoing;

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(4) Any proposed amendments to:

11 (a) The certificate of organization of the acquired entity; and

12 (b) The operating agreement of the acquired entity that are, or are proposed to 13 be, in a record;

14 (5) The other terms and conditions of the interest exchange; and

15 (6) Any other provision required by the law of this state or the operating 16 agreement of the acquired entity.

17 **2.** In addition to the requirements of subsection 1 of this section, a plan of 18 interest exchange may contain any other provision not prohibited by law.

**347.1192.** 1. A plan of interest exchange is not effective unless it has been 2 approved:

3 (1) By all the members of a domestic acquired limited liability company entitled 4 to vote on or consent to any matter; and

5 (2) In a record, by each member of the domestic acquired limited liability 6 company that will have interest holder liability for debts, obligations, and other 7 liabilities that are incurred after the interest exchange becomes effective, unless:

8 (a) The operating agreement of the company provides in a record for the 9 approval of an interest exchange or a merger in which some or all of its members 10 become subject to interest holder liability by the affirmative vote or consent of fewer 11 than all the members; and 12 (b) The member consented in a record to or voted for that provision of the 13 operating agreement or became a member after the adoption of that provision.

14 **2.** An interest exchange involving a domestic acquired entity that is not a limited 15 liability company is not effective unless it is approved by the domestic entity in 16 accordance with its organic law.

3. An interest exchange involving a foreign acquired entity is not effective unless
it is approved by the foreign entity in accordance with the law of the foreign entity's
jurisdiction of formation.

4. Except as otherwise provided in its organic law or organic rules, the interest holders of the acquiring entity are not required to approve the interest exchange.

**347.1194.** 1. A plan of interest exchange may be amended only with the consent 2 of each party to the plan, except as otherwise provided in the plan.

3 2. A domestic acquired limited liability company may approve an amendment of
4 a plan of interest exchange:

5 (1) In the same manner as the plan was approved, if the plan does not provide 6 for the manner in which it may be amended; or

7 (2) By its managers or members in the manner provided in the plan, but a 8 member that was entitled to vote on or consent to approval of the interest exchange is 9 entitled to vote on or consent to any amendment of the plan that will change:

10 (a) The amount or kind of interests, securities, obligations, moneys, other 11 property, rights to acquire interests or securities, or any combination of the foregoing, to 12 be received by any of the members of the acquired company under the plan;

(b) The certificate of organization or operating agreement of the acquired
company that will be in effect immediately after the interest exchange becomes effective,
except for changes that do not require approval of the members of the acquired
company under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 or the operating agreement; or

17 (c) Any other terms or conditions of the plan, if the change would adversely 18 affect the member in any material respect.

3. After a plan of interest exchange has been approved and before a statement of
 interest exchange becomes effective, the plan may be abandoned as provided in the plan.
 Unless prohibited by the plan, a domestic acquired limited liability company may
 abandon the plan in the same manner as the plan was approved.

4. If a plan of interest exchange is abandoned after a statement of interest exchange has been delivered to the secretary of state for filing and before the statement becomes effective, a statement of abandonment, signed by the acquired limited liability company, shall be delivered to the secretary of state for filing before the statement of interest exchange becomes effective. The statement of abandonment takes effect on

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filing, and the interest exchange is abandoned and does not become effective. Thestatement of abandonment shall contain:

30 (1) The name of the acquired company;

31 (2) The date on which the statement of interest exchange was filed by the 32 secretary of state; and

33 (3) A statement that the interest exchange has been abandoned in accordance34 with this section.

**347.1196.** 1. A statement of interest exchange shall be signed by a domestic 2 acquired limited liability company and delivered to the secretary of state for filing.

2. A statement of interest exchange shall contain:

(1) The name of the acquired limited liability company;

5 (2) The name, jurisdiction of formation, and type of entity of the acquiring 6 entity;

7 (3) A statement that the plan of interest exchange was approved by the acquired 8 company in accordance with sections 347.1188 to 347.1198; and

9 (4) Any amendments to the acquired company's certificate of organization 10 approved as part of the plan of interest exchange.

11 **3.** In addition to the requirements of subsection 2 of this section, a statement of 12 interest exchange may contain any other provision not prohibited by law.

4. A plan of interest exchange that is signed by a domestic acquired limited liability company and meets all the requirements of subsection 2 of this section may be delivered to the secretary of state for filing instead of a statement of interest exchange and on filing has the same effect. If a plan of interest exchange is filed as provided in this subsection, references in sections 347.1164 to 347.1222 to a statement of interest exchange refer to the plan of interest exchange filed under this subsection.

19 5. An interest exchange becomes effective when the statement of interest 20 exchange is effective.

**347.1198.** 1. When an interest exchange in which the acquired entity is a 2 domestic limited liability company becomes effective:

3 (1) The interests in the acquired company which are the subject of the interest 4 exchange are converted, and the members holding those interests are entitled only to the 5 rights provided to them under the plan of interest exchange and to any appraisal rights 6 they have under section 347.1174;

7 (2) The acquiring entity becomes the interest holder of the interests in the 8 acquired company stated in the plan of interest exchange to be acquired by the 9 acquiring entity;
10 (3) The certificate of organization of the acquired company is amended to the 11 extent provided in the statement of interest exchange; and

(4) The provisions of the operating agreement of the acquired company that are
to be in a record, if any, are amended to the extent provided in the plan of interest
exchange.

2. Except as otherwise provided in the operating agreement of a domestic acquired limited liability company, the interest exchange does not give rise to any rights that a member, manager, or third party would have upon a dissolution, liquidation, or winding up of the acquired company.

19 3. When an interest exchange becomes effective, a person that did not have 20 interest holder liability with respect to a domestic acquired limited liability company 21 and becomes subject to interest holder liability with respect to a domestic entity as a 22 result of the interest exchange has interest holder liability only to the extent provided by 23 the organic law of the entity and only for those debts, obligations, and other liabilities 24 that are incurred after the interest exchange becomes effective.

4. When an interest exchange becomes effective, the interest holder liability of a person that ceases to hold an interest in a domestic acquired limited liability company with respect to which the person had interest holder liability is subject to the following rules:

(1) The interest exchange does not discharge any interest holder liability under
sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 to the extent the interest holder liability was incurred
before the interest exchange became effective;

(2) The person does not have interest holder liability under sections 347.1000 to
 347.1228 for any debt, obligation, or other liability that is incurred after the interest
 exchange becomes effective;

35 (3) Sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 continue to apply to the release, collection, or 36 discharge of any interest holder liability preserved under subdivision (1) of this 37 subsection as if the interest exchange had not occurred;

(4) The person has all rights of contribution from any other person as are
provided by sections 347.1000 to 347.1228, law other than sections 347.1000 to 347.1228,
or the operating agreement of the acquired company with respect to any interest holder
liability preserved under subdivision (1) of this subsection as if the interest exchange
had not occurred.

**347.1200.** 1. By complying with sections **347.1200** to **347.1210**, a domestic limited **2** liability company may become:

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(1) A domestic entity that is a different type of entity; or

(2) A foreign entity that is a different type of entity, if the conversion is 4 authorized by the law of the foreign entity's jurisdiction of formation. 5

6 2. By complying with the provisions of sections 347.1200 to 347.1210 applicable to foreign entities, a foreign entity that is not a foreign limited liability company may 7 become a domestic limited liability company if the conversion is authorized by the law of 8 9 the foreign entity's jurisdiction of formation.

10 3. If a protected agreement contains a provision that applies to a merger of a domestic limited liability company but does not refer to a conversion, the provision 11 applies to a conversion of the company as if the conversion were a merger until the 12 provision is amended after August 28, 2023. 13

347.1202. 1. A domestic limited liability company may convert to a different type of entity under sections 347.1200 to 347.1210 by approving a plan of conversion. 2 The plan shall be in a record and contain: 3

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(1) The name of the converting limited liability company;

5 (2) The name, jurisdiction of formation, and type of entity of the converted 6 entity;

7 (3) The manner of converting the interests in the converting limited liability 8 company into interests, securities, obligations, moneys, other property, rights to acquire interests or securities, or any combination of the foregoing; 9

10 (4) The proposed public organic record of the converted entity if it will be a 11 filing entity;

12 (5) The full text of the private organic rules of the converted entity which are 13 proposed to be in a record;

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(6) The other terms and conditions of the conversion; and

15 (7) Any other provision required by the law of this state or the operating agreement of the converting limited liability company. 16

17 2. In addition to the requirements of subsection 1 of this section, a plan of 18 conversion may contain any other provision not prohibited by law.

347.1204. 1. A plan of conversion is not effective unless it has been approved: 2 (1) By a domestic converting limited liability company, by all the members of the 3 limited liability company entitled to vote on or consent to any matter; and

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(2) In a record, by each member of a domestic converting limited liability 5 company which will have interest holder liability for debts, obligations, and other liabilities that are incurred after the conversion becomes effective, unless: 6

7 (a) The operating agreement of the company provides in a record for the approval of a conversion or a merger in which some or all of its members become 8

9 subject to interest holder liability by the affirmative vote or consent of fewer than all the10 members; and

11 (b) The member voted for or consented in a record to that provision of the 12 operating agreement or became a member after the adoption of that provision.

13 2. A conversion involving a domestic converting entity that is not a limited
 14 liability company is not effective unless it is approved by the domestic converting entity
 15 in accordance with its organic law.

16 **3.** A conversion of a foreign converting entity is not effective unless it is 17 approved by the foreign entity in accordance with the law of the foreign entity's 18 jurisdiction of formation.

**347.1206.** 1. A plan of conversion of a domestic converting limited liability 2 company may be amended:

3 (1) In the same manner as the plan was approved, if the plan does not provide 4 for the manner in which it may be amended; or

5 (2) By its managers or members in the manner provided in the plan, but a 6 member that was entitled to vote on or consent to approval of the conversion is entitled 7 to vote on or consent to any amendment of the plan that will change:

8 (a) The amount or kind of interests, securities, obligations, moneys, other 9 property, rights to acquire interests or securities, or any combination of the foregoing, to 10 be received by any of the members of the converting company under the plan;

(b) The public organic record, if any, or private organic rules of the converted entity which will be in effect immediately after the conversion becomes effective, except for changes that do not require approval of the interest holders of the converted entity under its organic law or organic rules; or

15 (c) Any other terms or conditions of the plan, if the change would adversely 16 affect the member in any material respect.

17 2. After a plan of conversion has been approved by a domestic converting 18 limited liability company and before a statement of conversion becomes effective, the 19 plan may be abandoned as provided in the plan. Unless prohibited by the plan, a 20 domestic converting limited liability company may abandon the plan in the same 21 manner as the plan was approved.

**3.** If a plan of conversion is abandoned after a statement of conversion has been delivered to the secretary of state for filing and before the statement becomes effective, a statement of abandonment, signed by the converting entity, shall be delivered to the secretary of state for filing before the statement of conversion becomes effective. The statement of abandonment takes effect on filing, and the conversion is abandoned and does not become effective. The statement of abandonment shall contain:

HCS SS SCS SBs 3 & 69 76 28 (1) The name of the converting limited liability company; 29 (2) The date on which the statement of conversion was filed by the secretary of 30 state: and 31 (3) A statement that the conversion has been abandoned in accordance with this 32 section. 347.1208. 1. A statement of conversion shall be signed by the converting entity and delivered to the secretary of state for filing. 2 3 2. A statement of conversion shall contain: 4 (1) The name, jurisdiction of formation, and type of entity of the converting 5 entity; 6 (2) The name, jurisdiction of formation, and type of entity of the converted 7 entity: 8 (3) If the converting entity is a domestic limited liability company, a statement that the plan of conversion was approved in accordance with sections 347.1200 to 9 10 347.1210 or, if the converting entity is a foreign entity, a statement that the conversion was approved by the foreign entity in accordance with the law of its jurisdiction of 11 12 formation; 13 (4) If the converted entity is a domestic filing entity, its public organic record, as an attachment; and 14 15 (5) If the converted entity is a domestic limited liability partnership, its 16 statement of qualification, as an attachment. 17 3. In addition to the requirements of subsection 2 of this section, a statement of conversion may contain any other provision not prohibited by law. 18 19 4. If the converted entity is a domestic entity, its public organic record, if any, shall satisfy the requirements of the law of this state, except that the public organic 20 21 record does not need to be signed. 22 5. A plan of conversion that is signed by a domestic converting limited liability 23 company and meets all the requirements of subsection 2 of this section may be delivered 24 to the secretary of state for filing instead of a statement of conversion and on filing has 25 the same effect. If a plan of conversion is filed as provided in this subsection, references in sections 347.1164 to 347.1222 to a statement of conversion refer to the plan of 26 27 conversion filed under this subsection. 28 6. If the converted entity is a domestic limited liability company, the conversion 29 becomes effective when the statement of conversion is effective. In all other cases, the 30 conversion becomes effective on the later of: 31 (1) The date and time provided by the organic law of the converted entity; and 32 (2) When the statement is effective.

347.1210. 1. When a conversion becomes effective:

- (1) The converted entity is:
- 3 (a) Organized under and subject to the organic law of the converted entity; and
  - (b) The same entity without interruption as the converting entity;
- 5 (2) All property of the converting entity continues to be vested in the converted 6 entity without transfer, reversion, or impairment;
- 7 (3) All debts, obligations, and other liabilities of the converting entity continue as
  8 debts, obligations, and other liabilities of the converted entity;
- 9 (4) Except as otherwise provided by law or the plan of conversion, all the rights, 10 privileges, immunities, powers, and purposes of the converting entity remain in the 11 converted entity;
- 12 (5) The name of the converted entity may be substituted for the name of the 13 converting entity in any pending action or proceeding;
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(6) The certificate of organization of the converted entity becomes effective;

15 (7) The provisions of the operating agreement of the converted entity which are 16 to be in a record, if any, approved as part of the plan of conversion become effective; 17 and

- (8) The interests in the converting entity are converted, and the interest holders
   of the converting entity are entitled only to the rights provided to them under the plan of
   conversion and to any appraisal rights they have under section 347.1174.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in the operating agreement of a domestic 22 converting limited liability company, the conversion does not give rise to any rights that 23 a member, manager, or third party would have upon a dissolution, liquidation, or 24 winding up of the converting entity.
- 3. When a conversion becomes effective, a person that did not have interest holder liability with respect to the converting entity and becomes subject to interest holder liability with respect to a domestic entity as a result of the conversion has interest holder liability only to the extent provided by the organic law of the entity and only for those debts, obligations, and other liabilities that are incurred after the conversion becomes effective.
- 4. When a conversion becomes effective, the interest holder liability of a person that ceases to hold an interest in a domestic converting limited liability company with respect to which the person had interest holder liability is subject to the following rules: (1) The conversion does not discharge any interest holder liability under sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 to the extent the interest holder liability was incurred before the conversion became effective;

37 (2) The person does not have interest holder liability under sections 347.1000 to 38 347.1228 for any debt, obligation, or other liability that arises after the conversion 39 becomes effective;

40 (3) Sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 continue to apply to the release, collection, or discharge of any interest holder liability preserved under subdivision (1) of this 41 42 subsection as if the conversion had not occurred;

43 (4) The person has all rights of contribution from any other person as are 44 provided by sections 347.1000 to 347.1228, law other than sections 347.1000 to 347.1228, or the organic rules of the converting entity with respect to any interest holder liability 45 46 preserved under subdivision (1) of this subsection as if the conversion had not occurred.

47 5. When a conversion becomes effective, a foreign entity that is the converted 48 entity may be served with process in this state for the collection and enforcement of any 49 of its debts, obligations, and other liabilities as provided in section 347.1036.

50 6. If the converting entity is a registered foreign entity, its registration to do 51 business in this state is cancelled when the conversion becomes effective.

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7. A conversion does not require the entity to wind up its affairs and does not 53 constitute or cause the dissolution of the entity.

347.1212. 1. By complying with sections 347.1212 to 347.1222, a domestic limited liability company may become a foreign limited liability company if the domestication is 2 3 authorized by the law of the foreign jurisdiction.

4 2. By complying with the provisions of sections 347.1212 to 347.1222 applicable 5 to foreign limited liability companies, a foreign limited liability company may become a domestic limited liability company if the domestication is authorized by the law of the 6 7 foreign limited liability company's jurisdiction of formation.

3. If a protected agreement contains a provision that applies to a merger of a 8 9 domestic limited liability company but does not refer to a domestication, the provision applies to a domestication of the limited liability company as if the domestication were a 10 11 merger until the provision is amended after August 28, 2023.

347.1214. 1. A domestic limited liability company may become a foreign limited liability company in a domestication by approving a plan of domestication. The plan 2 3 shall be in a record and contain:

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(1) The name of the domesticating limited liability company;

5 (2) The name and jurisdiction of formation of the domesticated limited liability 6 company;

7 (3) The manner of converting the interests in the domesticating limited liability company into interests, securities, obligations, moneys, other property, rights to acquire 8 9 interests or securities, or any combination of the foregoing;

10 (4) The proposed certificate of organization of the domesticated limited liability11 company;

12 (5) The full text of the provisions of the operating agreement of the domesticated13 limited liability company that are proposed to be in a record;

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(6) The other terms and conditions of the domestication; and

15 (7) Any other provision required by the law of this state or the operating 16 agreement of the domesticating limited liability company.

17 2. In addition to the requirements of subsection 1 of this section, a plan of 18 domestication may contain any other provision not prohibited by law.

**347.1216.** 1. A plan of domestication of a domestic domesticating limited 2 liability company is not effective unless it has been approved:

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(1) By all the members entitled to vote on or consent to any matter; and

4 (2) In a record, by each member that will have interest holder liability for debts, 5 obligations, and other liabilities that are incurred after the domestication becomes 6 effective, unless:

7 (a) The operating agreement of the domesticating company in a record provides 8 for the approval of a domestication or merger in which some or all of its members 9 become subject to interest holder liability by the affirmative vote or consent of fewer 10 than all the members; and

11 (b) The member voted for or consented in a record to that provision of the 12 operating agreement or became a member after the adoption of that provision.

A domestication of a foreign domesticating limited liability company is not
 effective unless it is approved in accordance with the law of the foreign limited liability
 company's jurisdiction of formation.

**347.1218. 1.** A plan of domestication of a domestic domesticating limited 2 liability company may be amended:

3 (1) In the same manner as the plan was approved, if the plan does not provide 4 for the manner in which it may be amended; or

5 (2) By its managers or members in the manner provided in the plan, but a 6 member that was entitled to vote on or consent to approval of the domestication is 7 entitled to vote on or consent to any amendment of the plan that will change:

8 (a) The amount or kind of interests, securities, obligations, moneys, other 9 property, rights to acquire interests or securities, or any combination of the foregoing, to 10 be received by any of the members of the domesticating limited liability company under 11 the plan;

12 (b) The certificate of organization or operating agreement of the domesticated 13 limited liability company that will be in effect immediately after the domestication

becomes effective, except for changes that do not require approval of the members of the domesticated limited liability company under its organic law or operating agreement; or

(c) Any other terms or conditions of the plan, if the change would adversely
 affect the member in any material respect.

2. After a plan of domestication has been approved by a domestic domesticating limited liability company and before a statement of domestication becomes effective, the plan may be abandoned as provided in the plan. Unless prohibited by the plan, a domestic domesticating limited liability company may abandon the plan in the same manner as the plan was approved.

**3.** If a plan of domestication is abandoned after a statement of domestication has been delivered to the secretary of state for filing and before the statement becomes effective, a statement of abandonment, signed by the domesticating limited liability company, shall be delivered to the secretary of state for filing before the statement of domestication becomes effective. The statement of abandonment takes effect on filing, and the domestication is abandoned and does not become effective. The statement of abandonment shall contain:

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(1) The name of the domesticating limited liability company;

31 (2) The date on which the statement of domestication was filed by the secretary32 of state; and

33 (3) A statement that the domestication has been abandoned in accordance with34 this section.

**347.1220.** 1. A statement of domestication shall be signed by the domesticating 2 limited liability company and delivered to the secretary of state for filing.

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4 (1) The name and jurisdiction of formation of the domesticating limited liability 5 company;

2. A statement of domestication shall contain:

6 (2) The name and jurisdiction of formation of the domesticated limited liability 7 company;

8 (3) If the domesticating limited liability company is a domestic limited liability 9 company, a statement that the plan of domestication was approved in accordance with 10 sections 347.1212 to 347.1222 or, if the domesticating limited liability company is a 11 foreign limited liability company, a statement that the domestication was approved in 12 accordance with the law of its jurisdiction of formation; and

13 (4) The certificate of organization of the domesticated limited liability company,14 as an attachment.

15 **3.** In addition to the requirements of subsection 2 of this section, a statement of 16 domestication may contain any other provision not prohibited by law. 17 4. The certificate of organization of a domestic domesticated limited liability 18 company shall satisfy the requirements of sections 347.1000 to 347.1228, but the 19 certificate does not need to be signed.

5. A plan of domestication that is signed by a domesticating domestic limited liability company and meets all the requirements of subsection 2 of this section may be delivered to the secretary of state for filing instead of a statement of domestication and on filing has the same effect. If a plan of domestication is filed as provided in this subsection, references in sections 347.1164 to 347.1222 to a statement of domestication refer to the plan of domestication filed under this subsection.

6. If the domesticated entity is a domestic limited liability company, the domestication becomes effective when the statement of domestication is effective. If the domesticated entity is a foreign limited liability company, the domestication becomes effective on the later of:

30 (1) The date and time provided by the organic law of the domesticated entity;31 and

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(2) When the statement is effective.

347.1222. 1. When a domestication becomes effective:

(1) The domesticated entity is:

3 (a) Organized under and subject to the organic law of the domesticated entity;
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(b) The same entity without interruption as the domesticating entity;

6 (2) All property of the domesticating entity continues to be vested in the 7 domesticated entity without transfer, reversion, or impairment;

8 (3) All debts, obligations, and other liabilities of the domesticating entity 9 continue as debts, obligations, and other liabilities of the domesticated entity;

10 (4) Except as otherwise provided by law or the plan of domestication, all the 11 rights, privileges, immunities, powers, and purposes of the domesticating entity remain 12 in the domesticated entity;

13 (5) The name of the domesticated entity may be substituted for the name of the 14 domesticating entity in any pending action or proceeding;

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(6) The certificate of organization of the domesticated entity becomes effective;
(7) The provisions of the operating agreement of the domesticated entity that are to be in a record, if any, approved as part of the plan of domestication become effective; and

19 (8) The interests in the domesticating entity are converted to the extent and as 20 approved in connection with the domestication, and the members of the domesticating entity are entitled only to the rights provided to them under the plan of domesticationand to any appraisal rights they have under section 347.1174.

23 2. Except as otherwise provided in the organic law or operating agreement of the 24 domesticating limited liability company, the domestication does not give rise to any 25 rights that a member, manager, or third party would otherwise have upon a dissolution, 26 liquidation, or winding up of the domesticating company.

3. When a domestication becomes effective, a person that did not have interest holder liability with respect to the domesticating limited liability company and becomes subject to interest holder liability with respect to a domestic company as a result of the domestication has interest holder liability only to the extent provided by sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 and only for those debts, obligations, and other liabilities that are incurred after the domestication becomes effective.

4. When a domestication becomes effective, the interest holder liability of a person that ceases to hold an interest in a domestic domesticating limited liability company with respect to which the person had interest holder liability is subject to the following rules:

(1) The domestication does not discharge any interest holder liability under
sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 to the extent the interest holder liability was incurred
before the domestication became effective;

40 (2) A person does not have interest holder liability under sections 347.1000 to 41 347.1228 for any debt, obligation, or other liability that is incurred after the 42 domestication becomes effective;

43 (3) Sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 continue to apply to the release, collection, or
44 discharge of any interest holder liability preserved under subdivision (1) of this
45 subsection as if the domestication had not occurred;

46 (4) A person has all rights of contribution from any other person as are provided 47 by sections 347.1000 to 347.1228, law other than sections 347.1000 to 347.1228, or the 48 operating agreement of the domestic domesticating limited liability company with 49 respect to any interest holder liability preserved under subdivision (1) of this subsection 50 as if the domestication had not occurred.

51 5. When a domestication becomes effective, a foreign limited liability company 52 that is the domesticated company may be served with process in this state for the 53 collection and enforcement of any of its debts, obligations, and other liabilities as 54 provided in section 347.1036.

55 6. If the domesticating limited liability company is a registered foreign entity, the 56 registration of the company is cancelled when the domestication becomes effective. 57 7. A domestication does not require a domestic domesticating limited liability 58 company to wind up its affairs and does not constitute or cause the dissolution of the 59 company.

347.1224. In applying and construing this uniform act, consideration shall be 2 given to the need to promote uniformity of the law with respect to its subject matter 3 among states that enact it.

347.1226. Sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 modify, limit, and supersede the 2 Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 7001 et 3 seq., but do not modify, limit, or supersede Section 101(c) of that act, 15 U.S.C. Section 4 7001(c), or authorize electronic delivery of any of the notices described in Section 103(b) 5 of that act, 15 U.S.C. Section 7003(b).

347.1228. Sections 347.1000 to 347.1228 do not affect an action commenced, 2 proceeding brought, or right accrued before August 28, 2023.

356.071. The name of a professional corporation or of a foreign professional 2 corporation authorized to transact business in this state shall:

3 (1) Contain the words "Professional Corporation" or the abbreviation "P.C." and the 4 corporation shall identify itself with such designation in the course of rendering any 5 professional service;

6 (2) Not contain any word or phrase that indicates or implies that it is organized for 7 any purpose other than the purposes contained in its articles of incorporation;

8 (3) Be distinguishable from (as the preceding standards may be defined at the time of 9 incorporation or qualification in or under the general and business corporation law of Missouri, chapter 351) the name of any domestic corporation existing under the laws of this 10 state or any foreign corporation authorized to transact business in this state, or a name the 11 12 exclusive right to which is, at such time, reserved in the manner provided in the general and business corporation law of Missouri, chapter 351, the not-for-profit corporation law, chapter 13 355, the uniform limited partnership law, chapter 359, the uniform partnership law relating to 14 15 registered limited liability partnerships and limited liability limited partnerships, chapter 358, 16 or the uniform limited liability company act, chapter 347, or the name of an entity that has in effect a registration of its corporate name under either chapter 347, 351, 355, 358, or 359, or 17 any other business entity organized, reserved, or registered under the laws of this state; except 18 19 that, this provision shall not apply if:

(a) Such similarity results from the use in the corporate name of the professional
 corporation or foreign professional corporation personal names of its shareholders or former
 shareholders; or

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(b) The applicant files with the secretary of state either of the following:

a. If the name is the same, a change whereby a word is added to make such name distinguishable from the name of such other corporation, limited partnership or limited liability company; or

b. A certified copy of a final decree of a court of competent jurisdiction establishingthe prior right of the applicant to the use of such name in this state; and

(4) Otherwise conform to any rule promulgated by any licensing authority having
 jurisdiction over a professional service described in the articles of incorporation of such
 corporation.

407.205. 1. It shall be unlawful for any business that makes an automatic 2 renewal offer or continuous service offer to a consumer in this state to:

3 (1) Fail to present the automatic renewal offer terms or continuous service offer 4 terms in a clear and conspicuous manner before the subscription or purchasing 5 agreement is fulfilled and in visual proximity, or temporal proximity if the offer is 6 conveyed by voice, to the request for consent to the offer. If the offer also includes a gift 7 or free trial, the offer shall include a clear and conspicuous explanation of the price that 8 shall be charged after the trial ends or the manner in which the subscription or 9 purchasing agreement pricing shall change upon conclusion of the trial;

10 (2) Charge a consumer's credit card, debit card, or account with a third party 11 for an automatic renewal or continuous service without first obtaining the consumer's 12 affirmative consent to the agreement containing the automatic renewal offer terms or 13 continuous service offer terms, including the terms of an automatic renewal offer or 14 continuous service offer that is made at a promotional or discounted price for a limited 15 period of time; or

16 (3) Fail to provide an acknowledgment that includes the automatic renewal offer 17 terms or continuous service offer terms, cancellation policy, and information regarding 18 how to cancel in a manner that the consumer is able to retain. If the automatic renewal 19 offer or continuous service offer includes a gift or free trial, the business shall also 20 disclose in the acknowledgment how to cancel, and allow the consumer to cancel, the 21 automatic renewal or continuous service before the consumer pays for the goods or 22 services.

23 2. A business that makes an automatic renewal offer or continuous service offer
 24 shall provide at least one of the following:

25 (1) A toll-free telephone number;

- 26 (2) An email address:
- 27 (3) A postal address if the seller directly bills the consumer; or
- 28 (4) Other cost-effective, timely, and easy-to-use mechanism for cancellation.
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30 The business shall clearly and conspicuously display such contact mechanism in the 31 acknowledgment, subscription, and purchasing agreement described under this section.

32 **3.** A consumer who accepts an automatic renewal or continuous service offer 33 shall be allowed to terminate the automatic renewal or continuous service through any 34 of the cancellation mechanisms described under subsection 2 of this section, which may 35 include a termination email formatted and provided by the business that a consumer 36 may send to the business without additional information.

4. In the case of a material change in the terms of the automatic renewal or continuous service accepted by a consumer in this state, the business shall provide the consumer with a clear and conspicuous written notice of the material change and shall provide information regarding how to cancel in a manner that the consumer is able to retain.

42 5. The requirements of this section shall apply only prior to the completion of the 43 initial order for the automatic renewal or continuous service, except:

44 (1) The requirement in subdivision (3) of subsection 1 of this section may be 45 fulfilled after completion of the initial order; and

46 (2) The requirement in subsection 4 of this section shall be fulfilled prior to 47 implementation of the material change.

6. The attorney general shall have all powers, rights, and duties regarding violations of this section as are provided in sections 407.010 to 407.130, in addition to rulemaking authority under section 407.145.

407.2110. Any leased technology product including, but not limited to, a computer, modem, router, or cellphone may be returned to the physical location a person first acquired the product. The person shall not be required to return the leased technology product by shipping the product back to the entity that owns the product if there is a physical location to return the product.

431.202. 1. A reasonable covenant in writing promising not to solicit, recruit, hire or
otherwise interfere with the employment of one or more employees shall be enforceable and
not a restraint of trade pursuant to subsection 1 of section 416.031 if:

4 (1) Between two or more corporations or other business entities seeking to preserve 5 workforce stability (which shall be deemed to be among the protectable interests of each 6 corporation or business entity) during, and for a reasonable period following, negotiations 7 between such corporations or entities for the acquisition of all or a part of one or more of such 8 corporations or entities;

9 (2) Between two or more corporations or business entities engaged in a joint venture 10 or other legally permissible business arrangement where such covenant seeks to protect

against possible misuse of confidential or trade secret business information shared or to beshared between or among such corporations or entities;

13 (3) Between an employer and one or more employees seeking on the part of the14 employer to protect:

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(a) Confidential or trade secret business information; or

16 (b) Customer or supplier relationships, goodwill or loyalty, which shall be deemed to 17 be among the protectable interests of the employer; or

(4) Between an employer and one or more employees, notwithstanding the absence of the protectable interests described in subdivision (3) of this subsection, so long as such covenant does not continue for more than one year following the employee's employment; provided, however, that this subdivision shall not apply to covenants signed by employees who provide only secretarial or clerical services.

23 2. Whether a covenant covered by this section is reasonable shall be determined 24 based upon the facts and circumstances pertaining to such covenant, but a covenant covered 25 exclusively by subdivision (3) or (4) of subsection 1 of this section shall be conclusively 26 presumed to be reasonable if its postemployment duration is no more than one year.

3. Nothing in subdivision (3) or (4) of subsection 1 of this section is intended to create, or to affect the validity or enforceability of, employer-employee covenants not to compete.

4. Nothing in this section shall preclude a covenant described in subsection 1 of this section from being enforceable in circumstances other than those described in subdivisions (1) to (4) of subsection 1 of this section, where such covenant is reasonably necessary to protect a party's legally permissible business interests.

5. Nothing is this section shall be construed to limit an employee's ability to seek or accept employment with another employer immediately upon, or at any time subsequent to, termination of employment, whether said termination was voluntary or nonvoluntary.

6. (1) For purposes of this subsection, the terms "facility" and "health care professional" shall have the same meaning given to the terms in section 376.1350.

39 (2) No facility in this state shall require any health care professional in a 40 nonresearch role to sign a covenant described in subsection 1 of this section or any 41 covenant not to compete as a condition of employment. Any such covenant in an 42 employment contract in violation of this subsection shall be void and unenforceable.

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7. This section shall have retrospective as well as prospective effect.

536.050. 1. The power of the courts of this state to render declaratory judgments 2 shall extend to declaratory judgments respecting the validity of rules, or of threatened 3 applications thereof, and such suits may be maintained against agencies whether or not the 4 plaintiff has first requested the agency to pass upon the question presented. The venue of

5 such suits against agencies shall, at the option of the plaintiff, be in the circuit court of Cole 6 County, or in the county of the plaintiff's residence, or if the plaintiff is a corporation, 7 domestic or foreign, having a registered office or business office in this state, in the county of 8 such registered office or business office. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as a 9 limitation on the declaratory or other relief which the courts might grant in the absence of this 10 section.

11 2. Any person bringing an action under subsection 1 of this section shall not be 12 required to exhaust any administrative remedy if the court determines that:

13 (1) The administrative agency has no authority to grant the relief sought or the 14 administrative remedy is otherwise inadequate; or

15 (2) The only issue presented for adjudication is a constitutional issue or other 16 question of law; or

17 (3) Requiring the person to exhaust any administrative remedy would result in undue 18 prejudice because the person may suffer irreparable harm if unable to secure immediate 19 judicial consideration of the claim. Provided, however, that the provisions of this subsection 20 shall not apply to any matter covered by chapters 288, 302, and 303; or

(4) The party bringing the action is a small business claiming a material violation of
 section 536.300 [or 536.303] by the state agency requiring the small business impact
 statement for the amendment or rule.

3. A nonstate party who prevails in an action brought pursuant to subsection 1 of this section shall be awarded reasonable fees and expenses, as defined in section 536.085, incurred by that party in the action.

4. A nonstate party seeking an award of fees and other expenses shall, within thirty days of a final disposition of an action brought pursuant to subsection 1 of this section, submit to the court which rendered the final disposition or judgment an application which shows that the party is a prevailing party and is eligible to receive an award pursuant to this section, and the amount sought, including an itemized statement from any attorney or expert witness representing or appearing in behalf of the party stating the actual time expended and the rate at which fees and other expenses are computed.

5. A prevailing nonstate party in an agency proceeding shall submit an application for fees and expenses to the court before which the party prevailed. The filing of an application shall not stay the time for appealing the merits of a case. When the state appeals the underlying merits of an adversary proceeding, no decision on the application for fees and other expenses in connection with that adversary proceeding shall be made pursuant to this section until a final and unreviewable decision is rendered by the court on the appeal or until the underlying merits of the case have been finally determined pursuant to the appeal. 6. The court may either reduce the amount to be awarded or deny any award, to the extent that the prevailing nonstate party during the course of the proceedings engaged in conduct which unduly and unreasonably protracted the final resolution of the matter in controversy.

7. The decision of a court on the application for reasonable fees and expenses shall be in writing, separate from the judgment or order of the court which determined the prevailing party, and shall include written findings and conclusions and the reason or basis therefor. The decision of a court on the application for fees and other expenses shall be final, subject respectively to appeal or judicial review.

50 8. If a party or the state is dissatisfied with a determination of fees and other expenses made in an action brought pursuant to subsection 1 of this section, that party or the state may, 51 52 within the time permitted by law, appeal that order or judgment to the appellate court having jurisdiction to review the merits of that order or judgment. 53 The appellate court's determination shall be based solely on the record made before the court below. The court 54 may modify, reverse or reverse and remand the determination of fees and other expenses if the 55 56 court finds that the award or failure to make an award of fees and other expenses, or the calculation of the amount of the award, was arbitrary and capricious, was unreasonable, was 57 58 unsupported by competent and substantial evidence, or was made contrary to law or in excess of the court's jurisdiction. Awards made pursuant to this section shall be payable from 59 60 amounts appropriated therefor. The state agency against which the award was made shall 61 request an appropriation to pay for the award.

9. The general assembly or its designee shall have standing, in law or equity, to intervene in any existing action involving such challenge to agency action. Unless otherwise provided by resolution, the general assembly's designee is the joint committee on administrative rules who may, upon a concurrence of a majority of the committee's members, intervene in the name of the members of the committee in their representative capacity. Nothing in this section shall confer upon the committee any duty to so act or intervene.

536.300. 1. Prior to submitting proposed rules for adoption, amendment, revision, or repeal, under this chapter the state agency shall determine whether the proposed rulemaking affects small businesses and, if so, the availability and practicability of less-restrictive alternatives that could be implemented to achieve the same results of the proposed rulemaking. This requirement shall not apply to emergency rulemaking pursuant to section 536.025 or to constitutionally authorized rulemaking pursuant to Article IV, Section 45 of the Missouri Constitution. This requirement shall be in addition to the fiscal note requirement of sections 536.200 to 536.210.

9 2. If the proposed rules affect small businesses, the state agency shall consider 10 creative, innovative, or flexible methods of compliance for small business and prepare a small 11 business impact statement to be submitted to the secretary of state and the joint committee on administrative rules with the proposed rules. [A copy of the proposed rules and the small 12 13 business impact statement shall also be filed with the board on the same date as they are filed with the secretary of state.] Such business impact statement and proposed rules shall be 14 15 submitted to the board prior to providing notice for a public hearing. The statement shall 16 provide a reasonable determination of the following:

17 (1) The methods the agency considered or used to reduce the impact on small 18 businesses such as consolidation, simplification, differing compliance, or reporting 19 requirements, less stringent deadlines, performance rather than design standards, 20 exemption, or any other mitigating techniques;

(2) How the agency involved small businesses in the development of the proposedrules;

(3) The probable monetary costs and benefits to the implementing agency and other
agencies directly affected, including the estimated total amount the agency expects to collect
from any additionally imposed fees and the manner in which the moneys will be used, if such
costs are capable of determination;

(4) A description of the small businesses that will be required to comply with the
proposed rules and how they may be adversely affected, except in cases where the state
agency has filed a fiscal note that complies with all of the provisions of section 536.205;

30 (5) In dollar amounts, the increase in the level of direct costs, such as fees or 31 administrative penalties, and indirect costs, such as reporting, record keeping, equipment, 32 construction, labor, professional services, revenue loss, or other costs associated with 33 compliance if such costs are capable of determination, except in cases where the state agency 34 has filed a fiscal note that complies with all of the provisions of section 536.205;

35 (6) The business that will be directly affected by, bear the cost of, or directly benefit36 from the proposed rules;

(7) Whether the proposed rules include provisions that are more stringent than those
 mandated by any comparable or related federal, state, or county standards, with an
 explanation of the reason for imposing the more-stringent standard.

3. Any proposed rule that is required to have a small business impact statement but does not include such a statement shall be invalid and the secretary of state should not publish the rule until such time as the statement is provided. If the state agency determines that its proposed rule does not affect small business, the state agency shall so certify this finding in the transmittal letter to the secretary of state, stating that it has determined that such proposed rule will not have an economic impact on small businesses and the secretary of state shallpublish the rule.

47 4. [Sections 536.300 to 536.310] This section and section 536.020 shall not apply 48 where the proposed rule is being promulgated on an emergency basis, where the rule is 49 federally mandated, or where the rule substantially codifies existing federal or state law. 50 Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, federally mandated regulations are subject to 51 the federal Regulatory Flexibility Act as amended by the Small Business Regulatory and 52 Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, P.L. 96-354, as amended by P.L. 104.121. Any federally 53 mandated regulations that do not comply with these acts shall be subject to this section.

620.3800. There is hereby created within the department of economic development the "Office of Entrepreneurship". The office shall employ an individual to promote policies and initiatives to support the growth of entrepreneurship of Missouri-based businesses with less than ten employees, including entrepreneurship within racial minority groups, as such term is defined in section 37.013, and women and veteran entrepreneurship, in the state. The office shall work with Missouri stakeholders and communities, including minority communities, to provide information and technical support to entrepreneurs. The office shall support and advise the office of administration with preparing the report pursuant to subsection 3 of section 34.195.

620.3900. 1. Sections 620.3900 to 620.3930 shall be known and may be cited as 2 the "Regulatory Sandbox Act".

3 2. For the purposes of sections 620.3900 to 620.3930, the following terms shall 4 mean:

5 (1) "Advisory committee", the general regulatory sandbox program advisory 6 committee created in section 620.3910;

7 (2) "Applicable agency", a department or agency of the state that by law 8 regulates a business activity and persons engaged in such business activity, including the 9 issuance of licenses or other types of authorization, and which the regulatory relief office 10 determines would otherwise regulate a sandbox participant. A participant may fall 11 under multiple applicable agencies if multiple agencies regulate the business activity 12 that is subject to the sandbox program application. "Applicable agency" shall not 13 include the division of professional registration and its boards, commissions, 14 committees, and offices;

15 (3) "Applicant" or "sandbox applicant", a person or business that applies to 16 participate in the sandbox program;

(4) "Consumer", a person who purchases or otherwise enters into a transaction
 or agreement to receive a product or service offered through the sandbox program
 pursuant to a demonstration by a program participant;

20 (5) "Demonstrate" or "demonstration", to temporarily provide an offering of an 21 innovative product or service in accordance with the provisions of the sandbox 22 program;

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(6) "Department", the department of economic development;

(7) "Innovation", the use or incorporation of a new idea, a new or emerging
technology, or a new use of existing technology to address a problem, provide a benefit,
or otherwise offer a product, production method, or service;

(8) "Innovative offering", an offering of a product or service that includes aninnovation;

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(9) "Product", a commercially distributed good that is:(a) Tangible personal property; and

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(b) The result of a production process;

(10) "Production", the method or process of creating or obtaining a good, which
may include assembling, breeding, capturing, collecting, extracting, fabricating,
farming, fishing, gathering, growing, harvesting, hunting, manufacturing, mining,
processing, raising, or trapping a good;

36 (11) "Regulatory relief office", the office responsible for administering the 37 sandbox program within the department;

(12) "Sandbox participant" or "participant", a person or business whose
 application to participate in the sandbox program is approved in accordance with the
 provisions of section 620.3915;

41 (13) "Sandbox program", the general regulatory sandbox program created in 42 sections 620.3900 to 620.3930 that allows a person to temporarily demonstrate an 43 innovative offering of a product or service under a waiver or suspension of one or more 44 state laws or regulations;

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(14) "Sandbox program director", the director of the regulatory relief office;

46 (15) "Service", any commercial activity, duty, or labor performed for another 47 person or business. "Service" shall not include a product or service when its use would 48 impact rates, statutorily authorized service areas, or system safety or reliability of an electrical corporation or gas corporation, as defined in section 386.020, as determined 49 50 by the public service commission, or of any rural electric cooperative organized or operating under the provisions of chapter 394, or to any corporation organized on a 51 52 nonprofit or a cooperative basis as described in subsection 1 of section 394.200, or to any electrical corporation operating under a cooperative business plan as described in 53 54 subsection 2 of section 393.110, or of any municipally owned utility organized or operating under the provisions of chapter 91, or of any joint municipal utility 55 commission organized or operating under the provisions of sections 393.700 to 393.770. 56

620.3905. 1. There is hereby created within the department of economic 2 development the "Regulatory Relief Office", which shall be administered by the 3 sandbox program director. The sandbox program director shall report to the director 4 of the department and may appoint staff, subject to the approval of the director of the 5 department.

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2. The regulatory relief office shall:

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(1) Administer the sandbox program pursuant to sections 620.3900 to 620.3930;

8 (2) Act as a liaison between private businesses and applicable agencies that 9 regulate such businesses to identify state laws or regulations that could potentially be 10 waived or suspended under the sandbox program;

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(3) Consult with each applicable agency; and

12 (4) Establish a program to enable a person to obtain monitored access to the 13 market in the state along with legal protections for a product or service related to the 14 laws or regulations that are being waived as a part of participation in the sandbox 15 program, in order to demonstrate an innovative product or service without obtaining a 16 license or other authorization that might otherwise be required.

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3. The regulatory relief office shall:

18 (1) Review state laws and regulations that may unnecessarily inhibit the creation 19 and success of new companies or industries and provide recommendations to the 20 governor and the general assembly on modifying or repealing such state laws and 21 regulations;

22 (2) Create a framework for analyzing the risk level of the health, safety, and 23 financial well-being of consumers related to permanently removing or temporarily 24 waiving laws and regulations inhibiting the creation or success of new and existing 25 companies or industries;

(3) Propose and enter into reciprocity agreements between states that use or are
 proposing to use similar regulatory sandbox programs as described in sections 620.3900
 to 620.3930, provided that such reciprocity agreement is supported by a majority vote of
 the advisory committee and the regulatory relief office is directed by an order of the
 governor to pursue such reciprocity agreement;

(4) Enter into agreements with or adopt best practices of corresponding federal
 regulatory agencies or other states that are administering similar programs;

(5) Consult with businesses in the state about existing or potential proposals for
 the sandbox program; and

(6) In accordance with the provisions of chapter 536 and the provisions of
 sections 620.3900 to 620.3930, make rules regarding the administration of the sandbox
 program, including making rules regarding the application process and the reporting

requirements of sandbox participants. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2023, shall be invalid and void.

46 4. (1) The regulatory relief office shall create and maintain on the department's 47 website a web page that invites residents and businesses in the state to make suggestions 48 regarding laws and regulations that could be modified or eliminated to reduce the 49 regulatory burden on residents and businesses in the state.

50 (2) On at least a quarterly basis, the regulatory relief office shall compile the 51 relevant suggestions from the web page created pursuant to subdivision (1) of this 52 subsection and provide a written report to the governor and the general assembly.

53 (3) In creating the report described in subdivision (2) of this subsection, the 54 regulatory relief office:

(a) Shall provide the identity of residents and businesses that make suggestions on the web page if those residents and businesses wish to comment publicly, and shall ensure that the private information of residents and businesses that make suggestions on the web page is not made public if they do not wish to comment publicly; and

59 (b) May evaluate the suggestions and provide analysis and suggestions regarding 60 which state laws and regulations could be modified or eliminated to reduce the 61 regulatory burden on residents and businesses in the state while still protecting 62 consumers.

63 5. (1) By October first of each year, the department shall submit an annual
64 report to the governor, the general assembly, and to each state agency which shall
65 include:

(a) Information regarding each participant in the sandbox program, including
 industries represented by each participant and the anticipated or actual cost savings
 that each participant experienced;

69 (b) The anticipated or actual benefit to consumers created by each 70 demonstration in the sandbox program;

71 (c) Recommendations regarding any laws or regulations that should be 72 permanently modified or repealed;

(d) Information regarding any health and safety events related to the activities of
 a participant in the sandbox program; and

75 (e) Recommendations for changes to the sandbox program or other duties of the 76 regulatory relief office.

77 (2) The department may provide an interim report from the sandbox program 78 director to the governor and general assembly on specific, time-sensitive issues for the 79 functioning of the sandbox program, for the health and safety of consumers, for the 80 success of participants in the program, and for other issues of urgent need.

620.3910. 1. There is hereby created within the department of economic 2 development the "General Regulatory Sandbox Program Advisory Committee", to be 3 composed of the following members:

4 (1) The director of the department of economic development or his or her 5 designee;

6 (2) The director of the department of commerce and insurance or his or her 7 designee;

8 9 (3) The attorney general or his or her designee;

(4) Two members of the public to be appointed by the governor;

10 (5) A member of the public or of an institution of higher education, to be 11 appointed by the governor;

12 (6) A member of an institution of higher education, to be appointed by the 13 director of the department of higher education and workforce development;

14 (7) Two members of the house of representatives, one to be appointed by the 15 speaker of the house of representatives and one to be appointed by the minority leader 16 of the house of representatives; and

17 (8) Two members of the senate, one to be appointed by the president pro 18 tempore of the senate and one to be appointed by the minority leader of the senate;

19 2. (1) Advisory committee members shall be appointed to a four-year term. 20 Members who cease holding elective office shall be replaced by the speaker or minority 21 leader of the house of representatives or the president pro tempore or minority floor 22 leader of the senate, as applicable. The sandbox program director may establish the 23 terms of initial appointments so that approximately half of the advisory committee is 24 appointed every two years.

25 (2) The sandbox program director shall select a chair of the advisory committee 26 every two years in consultation with the members of the advisory committee.

(3) No appointee of the governor, speaker of the house of representatives, or
 president pro tempore of the senate may serve more than two consecutive complete
 terms.

30 **3.** A majority of the advisory committee shall constitute a quorum for the 31 purpose of conducting business, and the action of a majority of a quorum shall

32 constitute the action of the advisory committee, except as provided in subsection 4 of33 this section.

4. The advisory committee may, at its own discretion, meet to override a decision of the regulatory relief office on the admission or denial of an applicant to the sandbox program, provided such override is decided with a two-thirds majority vote of the members of the advisory committee, and further provided that such vote shall be taken within fifteen business days of the regulatory relief office's decision.

5. The advisory committee shall advise and make recommendations to the regulatory relief office on whether to approve applications to the sandbox program pursuant to section 620.3915.

42 6. The regulatory relief office shall provide administrative staff support for the 43 advisory committee.

The members of the advisory committee shall serve without compensation,
but may be reimbursed for any actual and necessary expenses incurred in the
performance of the advisory committee's official duties.

47 8. Meetings of the advisory committee shall be considered public meetings for 48 the purposes of chapter 610. However, a meeting of the committee shall be a closed 49 meeting if the purpose of the meeting is to discuss an application for participation in the regulatory sandbox program and failing to hold a closed meeting would reveal 50 51 information that constitutes proprietary or confidential trade secrets. Upon approval 52 by a majority vote by members of the advisory committee, the advisory committee shall 53 be allowed to conduct remote meetings, and individual members shall be allowed to 54 attend meetings remotely. The advisory committee shall provide the public the ability to 55 view any such remote meetings.

620.3915. 1. An applicant for the sandbox program shall provide to the 2 regulatory relief office an application in a form prescribed by the regulatory relief office 3 that:

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(1) Confirms the applicant is subject to the jurisdiction of the state;

5 (2) Confirms the applicant has established physical residence or a virtual 6 location in the state from which the demonstration of an innovative offering will be 7 developed and performed, and where all required records, documents, and data will be 8 maintained;

9 (3) Contains relevant personal and contact information for the applicant, 10 including legal names, addresses, telephone numbers, email addresses, website 11 addresses, and other information required by the regulatory relief office;

12 (4) Discloses criminal convictions of the applicant or other participating 13 personnel, if any; and

14 (5) Contains a description of the innovative offering to be demonstrated, 15 including statements regarding:

(a) How the innovative offering is subject to licensing, legal prohibition, or other
 authorization requirements outside of the sandbox program;

(b) Each law or regulation that the applicant seeks to have waived or suspended
 while participating in the sandbox program;

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(c) How the innovative offering would benefit consumers;

21 (d) How the innovative offering is different from other innovative offerings 22 available in the state;

(e) The risks that might exist for consumers who use or purchase the innovativeoffering;

25 (f) How participating in the sandbox program would enable a successful 26 demonstration of the innovative offering of an innovative product or service;

(g) A description of the proposed demonstration plan, including estimated time
 periods for beginning and ending the demonstration;

(h) Recognition that the applicant will be subject to all laws and regulations
 pertaining to the applicant's innovative offering after the conclusion of the
 demonstration;

32 (i) How the applicant will end the demonstration and protect consumers if the 33 demonstration fails;

34 (j) A list of each applicable agency, if any, that the applicant knows regulates the 35 applicant's business; and

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(k) Any other required information as determined by the regulatory relief office.

2. An applicant shall remit to the regulatory relief office an application fee of three hundred dollars per application for each innovative offering. Such application fees shall be used by the regulatory relief office solely for the purpose of implementing the provisions of sections 620.3900 to 620.3930.

41 **3.** An applicant shall file a separate application for each innovative offering that 42 the applicant wishes to demonstrate.

43 **4.** An applicant for the sandbox program may contact the regulatory relief office 44 to request a consultation regarding the sandbox program before submitting an 45 application. The regulatory relief office may provide assistance to an applicant in 46 preparing an application for submission.

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5. (1) After an application is filed, the regulatory relief office shall:

48 (a) Consult with each applicable agency that regulates the applicant's business
 49 regarding whether more information is needed from the applicant; and

50 (b) Seek additional information from the applicant that the regulatory relief 51 office determines is necessary.

52 (2) No later than fifteen business days after the day on which a completed 53 application is received by the regulatory relief office, the regulatory relief office shall:

(a) Review the application and refer the application to each applicable agency
 that regulates the applicant's business; and

56 57 (b) Provide to the applicant:

a. An acknowledgment of receipt of the application; and

58 b. The identity and contact information of each applicable agency to which the 59 application has been referred for review.

60 (3) No later than sixty days after the day on which an applicable agency receives 61 a completed application for review, the applicable agency shall provide a written report 62 to the sandbox program director with the applicable agency's findings. Such report 63 shall:

(a) Describe any identifiable, likely, and significant harm to the health, safety, or
 financial well-being of consumers that the relevant law or regulation protects against;
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67 (b) Make a recommendation to the regulatory relief office that the applicant 68 either be admitted or denied entrance into the sandbox program.

69 (4) An applicable agency may request an additional ten business days to deliver 70 the written report required by subdivision (3) of this subsection by providing notice to 71 the sandbox program director, which request shall automatically be granted. An 72 applicable agency may request only one extension per application. The sandbox 73 program director may also provide an additional extension to the applicable agency for 74 cause.

(5) If an applicable agency recommends an applicant under this section be denied entrance into the sandbox program, the written report required by subdivision (3) of this subsection shall include a description of the reasons for such recommendation, including the reason a temporary waiver or suspension of the relevant laws or regulations would potentially significantly harm the health, safety, or financial wellbeing of consumers or the public and the assessed likelihood of such harm occurring.

81 (6) If an applicable agency determines that the consumer's or public's health, 82 safety, or financial well-being can be protected through less restrictive means than the 83 existing relevant laws or regulations, the applicable agency shall provide a 84 recommendation of how that can be achieved.

85 (7) If an applicable agency fails to deliver the written report required by 86 subdivision (3) of this subsection, the sandbox program director shall provide a final 87 notice to the applicable agency for delivery of the written report. If the report is not delivered within five days of such final notice, the sandbox program director shall 88 89 assume that the applicable agency does not object to the temporary waiver or 90 suspension of the relevant laws or regulations for an applicant seeking to participate in 91 the sandbox program.

92 6. (1) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, an 93 applicable agency may, by written notice to the regulatory relief office:

94 (a) Reject an application, provided such rejection occurs within forty-five days 95 after the day on which the applicable agency receives a complete application for review, 96 or within fifty days if an extension has been requested by the applicable agency, if the 97 applicable agency determines, in the applicable agency's sole discretion, that the 98 applicant's offering fails to comply with standards or specifications:

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a. Required by federal rule or regulation; or

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b. Previously approved for use by a federal agency; or

101 (b) Reject an application preliminarily approved by the regulatory relief office, 102 if the applicable agency:

103 a. Recommends rejection of the application in the applicable agency's written 104 report submitted pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection 5 of this section; and

105 b. Provides in the written report submitted pursuant to subdivision (3) of 106 subsection 5 of this section a description of the applicable agency's reasons approval of 107 the application would create a substantial risk of harm to the health or safety of the 108 public, or create unreasonable expenses for taxpayers in the state.

(2) If any applicable agency rejects an application on a nonpreliminary basis 109 110 pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, the regulatory relief office shall not approve the application. 111

112 7. (1) The sandbox program director shall provide all applications and associated written reports to the advisory committee upon receiving a written report 113 114 from an applicable agency.

115 (2) The sandbox program director may call the advisory committee to meet as needed, but not less than once per quarter if applications are available for review. 116

117 (3) After receiving and reviewing the application and each associated written report, the advisory committee shall provide to the sandbox program director the 118 119 advisory committee's recommendation as to whether the applicant should be admitted 120 as a sandbox participant.

121 (4) As part of the advisory committee's review of each report, the advisory 122 committee shall use criteria used by applicable agencies to evaluate applications.

8. The regulatory relief office shall consult with each applicable agency and the advisory committee before admitting an applicant into the sandbox program. Such consultation may include seeking information about whether:

126 (1) The applicable agency has previously issued a license or other authorization127 to the applicant; and

128 (2) The applicable agency has previously investigated, sanctioned, or pursued 129 legal action against the applicant.

130 9. In reviewing an application under this section, the regulatory relief office and131 applicable agencies shall consider whether:

(1) A competitor to the applicant is or has been a sandbox participant and, if so,
weigh that as a factor in favor of allowing the applicant to also become a sandbox
participant;

(2) The applicant's plan will adequately protect consumers from potential harm
 identified by an applicable agency in the applicable agency's written report;

137 (3) The risk of harm to consumers is outweighed by the potential benefits to138 consumers from the applicant's participation in the sandbox program; and

(4) Certain state laws or regulations that regulate an innovative offering should
not be waived or suspended even if the applicant is approved as a sandbox participant,
including applicable anti-fraud or disclosure provisions.

142 10. An applicant shall become a sandbox participant if the regulatory relief 143 office approves the application for the sandbox program and enters into a written 144 agreement with the applicant describing the specific laws and regulations that are 145 waived or suspended as part of participation in the sandbox program. Notwithstanding 146 any other provision of this section to the contrary, the regulatory relief office shall not 147 enter into a written agreement with an applicant that exempts the applicant from any 148 income, property, or sales tax liability unless such applicant otherwise qualifies for an 149 exemption from such tax.

150 **11.** (1) The sandbox program director may deny at his or her sole discretion any 151 application submitted under this section for any reason, including if the sandbox 152 program director determines that the preponderance of evidence demonstrates that 153 suspending or waiving enforcement of a law or regulation would cause significant risk of 154 harm to consumers or residents of the state.

(2) If the sandbox program director denies an application submitted under this
 section, the regulatory relief office shall provide to the applicant a written description of
 the reasons for not allowing the applicant to become a sandbox participant.

(3) The denial of an application submitted under this section shall not be subject
 to judicial or administrative review.

160 (4) The acceptance or denial of an application submitted under this section may 161 be overridden by an affirmative vote of a two-thirds majority of the advisory committee 162 at the discretion of the advisory committee, provided such vote shall take place within 163 fifteen business days of the sandbox program director's decision. Notwithstanding any 164 other provision of this section to the contrary, the advisory committee shall not override 165 a rejection made by an applicable agency.

(5) The sandbox program director shall deny an application for participation in the sandbox program if the applicant or any person who seeks to participate with the applicant in demonstrating an innovative offering has been convicted, entered into a plea of nolo contendere, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere held in abeyance, for any crime involving significant theft, fraud, or dishonesty if the crime bears a significant relationship to the applicant's or other participant's ability to safely and competently participate in the sandbox program.

173 12. When an applicant is approved for participation in the sandbox program,
174 the sandbox program director shall provide notice of the approval on the department's
175 website.

176 **13.** Applications to participate in the sandbox program shall be considered 177 public records for the purposes of chapter 610, provided, however, that any information 178 contained in such applications that constitutes proprietary or confidential trade secrets 179 shall not be subject to disclosure pursuant to chapter 610.

620.3920. 1. If the regulatory relief office approves an application pursuant to 2 section 620.3915, the sandbox participant shall have twenty-four months after the day 3 on which the application was approved to demonstrate the innovative offering described 4 in the sandbox participant's application.

5 2. An innovative offering that is demonstrated within the sandbox program shall 6 only be available to consumers who are residents of Missouri or of another state. No law 7 or regulation shall be waived or suspended if waiving or suspending such law or 8 regulation would prevent a consumer from seeking restitution in the event that the 9 consumer is harmed.

3. Nothing in sections 620.3900 to 620.3930 shall restrict a sandbox participant that holds a license or other authorization in another jurisdiction from acting in that jurisdiction in accordance with such license or other authorization.

4. A sandbox participant shall be deemed to possess an appropriate license or
other authorization under the laws of this state for the purposes of any provision of
federal law requiring licensure or other authorization by the state.

16 5. (1) During the demonstration period, a sandbox participant shall not be 17 subject to the enforcement of state laws or regulations identified in the written 18 agreement between the regulatory relief office and the sandbox participant.

19 (2) A prosecutor shall not file or pursue charges pertaining to any action related 20 to a law or regulation identified in the written agreement between the regulatory relief 21 office and the sandbox participant that occurs during the demonstration period.

(3) A state agency shall not file or pursue any punitive action against a sandbox participant, including a fine or license suspension or revocation, for the violation of a law or regulation that is identified as being waived or suspended in the written agreement between the regulatory relief office and the sandbox participant that occurs during the demonstration period.

6. Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, a sandbox participant shall not have immunity related to any criminal offense committed during the sandbox participant's participation in the sandbox program.

30 7. By written notice, the regulatory relief office may end a sandbox participant's 31 participation in the sandbox program at any time and for any reason, including if the 32 sandbox program director determines that a sandbox participant is not operating in 33 good faith to bring an innovative offering to market; provided, however, that the 34 sandbox program director's decision may be overridden by an affirmative vote of a two-35 thirds majority of the members of the advisory committee.

36 8. The regulatory relief office and regulatory relief office's employees shall not
 37 be liable for any business losses or the recouping of application expenses or other
 38 expenses related to the sandbox program, including for:

39 (1) Denying an applicant's application to participate in the sandbox program for40 any reason; or

41 (2) Ending a sandbox participant's participation in the sandbox program at any 42 time and for any reason.

620.3925. 1. Before demonstrating an innovative offering to a consumer, a 2 sandbox participant shall disclose the following information to the consumer:

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(1) The name and contact information of the sandbox participant;

4 (2) A statement that the innovative offering is authorized pursuant to the 5 sandbox program and, if applicable, that the sandbox participant does not have a license 6 or other authorization to provide an innovative offering under state laws that regulate 7 offerings outside of the sandbox program;

8 (3) A statement that specific laws and regulations have been waived for the 9 sandbox participant for the duration of its demonstration in the sandbox program, with 10 a summary of such waived laws and regulations; 11 (4) A statement that the innovative offering is undergoing testing and may not 12 function as intended and may expose the consumer to certain risks as identified by the 13 applicable agency's written report;

14 (5) A statement that the provider of the innovative offering is not immune from 15 civil liability for any losses or damages caused by the innovative offering;

16 (6) A statement that the provider of the innovative offering is not immune from 17 criminal prosecution for violations of state law or regulations that are not suspended or 18 waived as allowed within the sandbox program;

19 (7) A statement that the innovative offering is a temporary demonstration that 20 may be discontinued at the end of the demonstration period;

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(8) The expected end date of the demonstration period; and

(9) A statement that a consumer may contact the regulatory relief office and file a complaint regarding the innovative offering being demonstrated, providing the regulatory relief office's telephone number, email address, and website address where a complaint may be filed.

26 2. The disclosures required by subsection 1 of this section shall be provided to a 27 consumer in a clear and conspicuous form and, for an internet- or application-based 28 innovative offering, a consumer shall acknowledge receipt of the disclosure before any 29 transaction may be completed.

30 **3.** The regulatory relief office may require that a sandbox participant make 31 additional disclosures to a consumer.

620.3930. 1. At least forty-five days before the end of the twenty-four-month 2 demonstration period, a sandbox participant shall:

3 (1) Notify the regulatory relief office that the sandbox participant will exit the 4 sandbox program and discontinue the sandbox participant's demonstration after the 5 day on which the twenty-four-month demonstration period ends; or

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(2) Seek an extension pursuant to subsection 4 of this section.

7 2. If the regulatory relief office does not receive notification as required by
8 subsection 1 of this section, the demonstration period shall end at the end of the twenty9 four-month demonstration period.

3. If a demonstration includes an innovative offering that requires ongoing services or duties beyond the twenty-four-month demonstration period, the sandbox participant may continue to demonstrate the innovative offering but shall be subject to enforcement of the laws or regulations that were waived or suspended as part of the sandbox program. 15 4. (1) No later than forty-five days before the end of the twenty-four-month 16 demonstration period, a sandbox participant may request an extension of the 17 demonstration period.

(2) The regulatory relief office shall grant or deny a request for an extension by
 the end of the twenty-four-month demonstration period.

(3) The regulatory relief office may grant an extension for not more than twelve
 months after the end of the demonstration period.

(4) Sandbox participants may apply for additional extensions in accordance with
 the criteria used to assess their initial application, up to a cumulative maximum of seven
 years inclusive of the original twenty-four-month demonstration period.

(5) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 3 of this section to the contrary, if a sandbox participant is granted an extension pursuant to this subsection beyond the twenty-four-month demonstration period, the demonstration shall not be subject to enforcement of the laws or regulations that were waived or suspended as part of the sandbox program until the end of the extended demonstration period.

5. (1) A sandbox participant shall retain records, documents, and data produced in the ordinary course of business regarding an innovative offering demonstrated in the sandbox program for twenty-four months after exiting the sandbox program.

33 (2) The regulatory relief office may request relevant records, documents, and 34 data from a sandbox participant, and, upon the regulatory relief office's request, the 35 sandbox participant shall make such records, documents, and data available for 36 inspection by the regulatory relief office.

6. If a sandbox participant ceases to provide an innovative offering before the end of a demonstration period, the sandbox participant shall notify the regulatory relief office and each applicable agency and report on actions taken by the sandbox participant to ensure consumers have not been harmed as a result.

The regulatory relief office shall establish quarterly reporting requirements
 for each sandbox participant, including information about any consumer complaints.

43 8. (1) The sandbox participant shall notify the regulatory relief office and each applicable agency of any incidents that result in harm to the health, safety, or financial 44 well-being of a consumer. The parameters for such incidents that shall be reported shall 45 be laid out in the written agreement between the applicant and the regulatory relief 46 47 office. Any incident reports shall be publicly available on the regulatory sandbox 48 webpage provided, however, that any information contained in such reports that constitutes proprietary or confidential trade secrets shall not be subject to disclosure 49 50 pursuant to chapter 610.

51 (2) If a sandbox participant fails to notify the regulatory relief office and each 52 applicable agency of any incidents required to be reported, or the regulatory relief office 53 or an applicable agency has evidence that significant harm to a consumer has occurred, 54 the regulatory relief office may immediately remove the sandbox participant from the 55 sandbox program.

9. No later than thirty days after the day on which a sandbox participant exits the sandbox program, the sandbox participant shall submit a written report to the regulatory relief office and each applicable agency describing an overview of the sandbox participant's demonstration. Failure to submit such a report shall result in the sandbox participant and any entity that later employs a member of the leadership team of the sandbox participant being prohibited from future participation in the sandbox program. Such report shall include any:

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(1) Incidents of harm to consumers;

64 (2) Legal action filed against the sandbox participant as a result of the 65 participant's demonstration; or

66 (3) Complaint filed with an applicable agency as a result of the sandbox 67 participant's demonstration.

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Any incident reports of harm to consumers, legal actions filed against a sandbox participant, or complaints filed with an applicable agency shall be compiled and made publicly available on the regulatory sandbox webpage provided, however, that any information contained in such reports or complaints that constitutes proprietary or confidential trade secrets shall not be subject to disclosure pursuant to chapter 610.

10. No later than thirty days after the day on which an applicable agency receives the quarterly report required by subsection 7 of this section or a written report from a sandbox participant as required by subsection 9 of this section, the applicable agency shall provide a written report to the regulatory relief office on the demonstration, which describes any statutory or regulatory reform the applicable agency recommends as a result of the demonstration.

80 11. The regulatory relief office may remove a sandbox participant from the sandbox program at any time if the regulatory relief office determines that a sandbox 81 participant has engaged in, is engaging in, or is about to engage in any practice or 82 transaction that is in violation of sections 620.3900 to 620.3930 or that constitutes a 83 84 violation of a law or regulation for which suspension or waiver has not been granted 85 pursuant to the sandbox program. Information on any removal of a sandbox participant for engaging in any practice or transaction that constitutes a violation of law 86 or regulation for which suspension or waiver has not been granted pursuant to the 87

88 sandbox program shall be made publicly available on the regulatory sandbox webpage,

provided, however, that any information that constitutes proprietary or confidential
trade secrets shall not be subject to disclosure pursuant to chapter 610.

[347.010. Sections 347.010 to 347.187 shall be known and may be 2 cited as the "Missouri Limited Liability Company Act".] [347.015. As used in sections 347.010 to 347.187, the following terms 2 mean: 3 (1) "Articles of organization", the articles referred to in section 4 347.039, filed with the secretary for the purpose of forming a limited liability 5 company, as the same may be amended or restated from time to time as 6 provided in sections 347.010 to 347.187; 7 (2) "Authorized person", manager, or member, if management of the 8 limited liability company is vested in the members; 9 (3) "Bankruptcy", the entry of an order for relief by the court in a 10 proceeding under the United States Bankruptcy Code, Title 11, U.S.C., as 11 amended, or its equivalent under a state insolvency act or a similar law of 12 other jurisdictions; 13 (4) "Business" includes every trade, occupation or profession; 14 (5) "Contribution", cash, other property, the use of property, services 15 rendered, a promissory note or other binding obligation to contribute cash or 16 property or perform services or any other valuable consideration transferred by 17 a person to the limited liability company as a prerequisite for membership in 18 the limited liability company and any subsequent transfer to the limited 19 liability company by a person in his capacity as a member; 20 (6) "Court" includes every court and judge having jurisdiction in the 21 case; 22 (7) "Domestic limited liability company" or "limited liability 23 company", a limited liability company organized and existing under sections 24 347.010 to 347.187; 25 (8) "Event of withdrawal", an event that causes a person to cease to be 26 a member as provided in section 347.123; 27 (9) "Foreign limited liability company", a limited liability company 28 formed under the laws of any jurisdiction other than the state of Missouri; 29 (10) "Manager", with respect to a limited liability company whose 30 articles of organization state that management of the limited liability company 31 is vested in one or more managers, the person or persons designated, appointed 32 or elected as such in the manner provided in subsection 2 of section 347.079; 33 (11) "Member", any person that signs in person or by an attorney in 34 fact, or otherwise is a party to the operating agreement at the time the limited 35 liability company is formed and is identified as a member in that operating 36 agreement and any person who is subsequently admitted as a member in a 37 limited liability company in accordance with sections 347.010 to 347.187 and 38 the operating agreement, until such time as an event of withdrawal occurs with 39 respect to such person;

40 (12) "Member's interest", a member's share of the profits and losses of 41 a limited liability company and the right to receive distributions of limited 42 liability company assets; 43 (13) "Operating agreement", any valid agreement or agreements, 44 written or oral, among all members, or written declaration by the sole member 45 concerning the conduct of the business and affairs of the limited liability company and the relative rights, duties and obligations of the members and 46 47 managers, if any; 48 (14) "Organizer", any of the signers of the articles of organization; 49 (15) "Person" includes individuals, partnerships, domestic or foreign 50 limited partnerships, domestic or foreign limited liability companies, domestic 51 or foreign corporations, trusts, business trusts, employee stock ownership 52 trusts, real estate investment trusts, estates, associations, and other business or 53 not-for-profit entities; (16) "Real property" includes land, any interest, leasehold or estate in 54 55 land any improvements thereon; (17) "Secretary", the secretary of state for the state of Missouri and its 56 57 delegates responsible for the administration of sections 347.010 to 347.187; 58 (18) "Surviving entity", the surviving or resulting person pursuant to a 59 merger or consolidation in which one or more domestic limited liability 60 companies are parties. [347.017. No limited liability company formed before the effective 2 date of this act, shall be deemed not in compliance with this chapter for the 3 reason that such limited liability company was formed with, had or has only 4 one member.] [347.020. The name of each limited liability company as set forth in its 2 articles of organization: (1) Shall contain the words "limited company" or "limited liability 3 company" or the abbreviation "LC", "LLC", "L.C." or "L.L.C." and shall be 4 5 the name under which the limited liability company transacts business in this 6 state unless the limited liability company registers another name under which 7 it transacts business as provided under chapter 417 or conspicuously discloses 8 its name as set forth in its articles of organization; 9 (2) May not contain the word "corporation", "incorporated", "limited partnership", "limited liability partnership", "limited liability limited 10 partnership", or "Ltd." or any abbreviation of one of such words or any 11 12 word or phrase which indicates or implies that it is organized for any purpose 13 not stated in its articles of organization or that it is a governmental agency; and 14 (3) Must be distinguishable upon the records of the secretary from the 15 name of any corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, 16 limited liability partnership, or limited liability limited partnership which is 17 licensed, organized, reserved, or registered under the laws of this state as a 18 domestic or foreign entity, unless: 19 (a) Such other holder of a reserved or registered name consents to such 20 use in writing and files appropriate documentation to the secretary to change

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- its name to a name that is distinguishable upon the records of the secretary
   from the name of the applying limited liability company; or
- (b) A certified copy of a final decree of a court of competent
   jurisdiction establishing the prior right of the applicant to the use of such name
   in this state is filed with the secretary.]

[347.025. 1. The exclusive right to the use of a name may be reserved

- 3 (1) Any person intending to organize a limited liability company under
   4 sections 347.010 to 347.187 and to adopt that name;
   5 (2) Any domestic limited liability company intending to adopt that
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(3) Any foreign limited liability company registered in this state intending to adopt that name or intending to register in this state and to adopt that name; or

10 (4) Any person intending to organize a foreign limited liability 11 company and intending to have it registered in this state and to adopt that 12 name.

13 2. The reservation shall be made by filing with the secretary in a 14 format prescribed by the secretary, executed by the applicant, to reserve a 15 specified name. If the secretary finds that the name is not registered with the 16 secretary as a corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, 17 limited liability partnership, or limited liability limited partnership, and is 18 otherwise available for use, it shall reserve the name for the exclusive use of 19 the applicant for a period of sixty days from and after the date the application 20 is filed with the state. A name reservation shall not exceed a period of one 21 hundred eighty days from the date of the first name reservation application. 22 Upon the one hundred eighty-first day the name shall cease reserve status and 23 may not be placed back in such status.]

[347.030. 1. Each limited liability company shall have and continuously maintain in this state:

(1) A registered office which may be, but need not be, the same as a place of its business in this state;

(2) A registered agent for service of any process, notice or demand required or permitted by law to be served upon the limited liability company, which agent may be either an individual, resident of this state, whose business office is identical with such registered office, or a domestic or foreign corporation authorized to do business in this state, and whose business office is identical with such registered office. Except as provided in this section and subdivision (5) of section 347.153, the secretary shall not be appointed as the resident agent for any limited liability company.

2. A limited liability company may, from time to time, change its
 registered agent or the address of its registered office. A limited liability
 company shall change its registered agent if the office of its registered agent
 shall become vacant for any reason, if its registered agent becomes
 disqualified or incapacitated to act, or if the limited liability company
 revokes the appointment of its registered agent. A limited liability company

19	may change its registered agent or the address of its registered office, or both,
20	by a filing with the secretary, a statement setting forth:
21	(1) The name of the limited liability company;
22	(2) The address, including street and number, if any, of its then
23	registered office;
24	(3) If the address of its registered office is to be changed, the address,
25	including street and number, if any, to which the registered office is to be
26	<del>changed;</del>
27	(4) The name of its then registered agent;
28	(5) If its registered agent is to be changed, the name of its successor
29	registered agent and the successor registered agent's written consent to the
30	appointment either on the statement or attached thereto;
31	(6) That the address of its registered office and the address of the
32	business office of its registered agent, as changed, will be identical; and
33	(7) That such change was authorized by the limited liability company.
34	3. The change of address of the registered office, or the change of the
35	registered agent, or both, as the case may be, shall become effective upon the
36	filing of such statement by the secretary.
37	4. If a registered agent changes the street address of his business
38	office, he may change the street address of the registered office of any limited
39	liability company for which he is the registered agent by notifying the limited
40	liability company in writing of the change and signing, either manually or in
41	facsimile, and delivering to the secretary of state for filing a statement of
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registered agent nor an authorized person can be located in the exercise of due
 diligence, process, notice or demand may be served upon an organizer.

10 3. In the event that a limited liability company shall fail to appoint or 11 maintain a registered agent in this state or in the event neither the registered 12 agent, an authorized person, nor an organizer for the limited liability company 13 can be located in the exercise of due diligence, then the secretary, as long as 14 such default exists, shall be automatically appointed as an agent of such 15 limited liability company upon whom any process, notice, or demand required or permitted by law to be served upon the limited liability company may be 16 17 served. Service on the secretary of any process, notice or demand against a 18 limited liability company shall be made by delivering to and leaving with the 19 secretary, or with any clerk having charge of the limited liability company 20 department of the secretary, a copy of such process, notice or demand. In the 21 event that any process, notice or demand is served on the secretary, the 22 secretary shall immediately cause a copy thereof to be forwarded by registered 23 mail, to the address for any organizer as set forth in the articles of 24 organization. The secretary shall keep copies of any process, notice or demand 25 served upon the secretary pursuant to sections 347.010 to 347.187 for a period 26 of five years. Nothing contained in this section shall limit or affect the right to 27 serve any process, notice or demand required or permitted by law to be served 28 upon a limited liability company in any other manner now or hereafter 29 permitted by law.]

2 <u>sections 347.010 to 347.187 and may conduct or promote any lawful</u> 3 <u>businesses or purposes within this state or any other jurisdiction.</u>]

[347.037. 1. Any person, whether or not a member or manager, may form a limited liability company by signing and filing articles of organization for such limited liability company with the secretary.

2. A limited liability company is formed when the articles of organization are filed with the secretary or on a later date set forth in the articles of organization, not to exceed ninety days from the filing date. If the articles of organization, as delivered to the secretary, do not substantially conform to the filing provisions of sections 347.010 to 347.187, the secretary shall return the articles of organization to the person so filing the articles of organization with a statement setting forth the nonconformity.

113. Each copy of the articles of organization stamped "filed" and12marked with the filing date is conclusive evidence that all conditions precedent13required to be performed by the organizers have been complied with and that14the limited liability company has been legally organized and formed under15sections 347.010 to 347.187 and is notice for all purposes of all other facts16required to be set forth therein.

A limited liability company may not transact business or incur
 indebtedness, except that which is incidental to its organization or to obtaining
 subscriptions for or payment of contributions, until the articles of organization
 have been filed with the secretary or until the formation date specified in the
 articles of organization. Persons engaged in prefiling activities other than

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22	those described in the preceding sentence shall be jointly and severally liable
23	except as provided in this section for any debts or liabilities incurred in the
24	course of those activities. This section shall not be interpreted to invalidate
25	any debts, contracts, or liabilities of the limited liability company incurred
26	solely on behalf of a limited liability company to be formed, nor shall it be
20	interpreted to impose personal liability on the persons incurring such debts,
28	contracts or liabilities solely on behalf of the limited liability company to the
28	extent so disclosed or to the extent such debts, contracts or liabilities provide
30	otherwise.]
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2	[ <del>347.039. 1. The articles of organization shall set forth:</del>
2	(1) The name of the limited liability company;
3	(2) The purpose or purposes for which the limited liability company is
4	organized, which may be stated to be, or to include, the transaction of any or
5	all lawful business for which a limited liability company may be organized
6	under sections 347.010 to 347.187;
7	(3) The address, including street and number, if any, of the registered
8	office and the name of the registered agent at such office;
9	(4) A statement as to whether management of the limited liability
10	company is vested in managers or in members;
11	(5) The events by which the limited liability company is to dissolve or
12	the number of years the limited liability company is to exist, which may be any
13	number or perpetual; and
14	(6) The name and physical business or residence address of each
15	<del>organizer.</del>
16	2. The information provided by the limited liability company under
17	subdivisions (1) through (6) of subsection 1 of this section shall also be
18	provided for each separate series of the limited liability company authorized to
19	operate under section 347.186.
20	3. The articles of organization may set forth any other provision, not
21	inconsistent with law or sections 347.010 to 347.187, which are in the
22	operating agreement of the limited liability company.]
	[347.041. 1. A limited liability company's articles of organization is
2	amended by filing with the secretary articles of amendment, which shall set
3	<del>forth:</del>
4	(1) The name of the limited liability company;
5	(2) The date the articles of amendment are filed, and, if the articles of
6	amendment provide that they are not to become effective until a specified date
7	after their filing date, the date that they are to become effective which may not
8	be more than ninety days after their filing date;
9	(3) If the amendment is required to be filed as a result of the
10	occurrence of any event specified in subdivision (2) of subsection 2 of this
11	section, the nature of the event and the date such event occurred or is to occur;
12	(4) The amendment to the articles of organization; and
13	(5) A statement that the amendment is authorized under the operating
14	agreement or is otherwise required to be filed under the provisions of sections
15	<del>347.010 to 347.187.</del>

2. A limited liability company's articles of organization shall be amended promptly, but in no event more than sixty days after the occurrence of any of the following events:

(1) To reflect any change in management of the limited liability company that was previously vested whether in managers or members;

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company that was previously vested whether in managers or members; (2) To reflect a change in the name of the limited liability company; or

(3) To reflect a change in the time set forth in the articles of organization for the limited liability company to dissolve.

3. Except as otherwise provided in the operating agreement, a limited liability company's articles of organization may be amended from time to time in any and as many respects as may be desired so long as its articles of organization contain only such provisions as are contained in the operating agreement at the time of making such amendment.]

[347.043. 1. A limited liability company may integrate into a single instrument all of the provisions of its articles of organization and amendments thereto, and it may at the same time also further amend or supplement its articles of organization by adopting restated articles of organization as follows:

5 (1) If the restated articles of organization merely restate and integrate 6 but do not further amend the initial articles of organization, as previously 7 amended or supplemented by any articles, notices or documents that were 8 executed and filed pursuant to sections 347.010 to 347.187, it shall be 9 specifically designated in its heading as "Restated Articles of Organization", together with a statement that it only restates and integrates and does not 10 11 further amend the provisions of the articles of organization as previously 12 amended or supplemented and there is no discrepancy between those 13 provisions and the provisions of the restated articles, and shall be executed 14 and filed with the secretary; or

15 (2) If the restated articles restate and integrate and also further amend
 16 in any respect the articles of organization, as previously amended or
 17 supplemented, it shall be specifically designated in its heading as "Amended
 18 and Restated Articles of Organization", and shall be executed and filed with
 19 the secretary.
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2. Restated articles of organization shall state, either in their heading or in an introductory paragraph, the limited liability company's present name, and, if it has been changed, the name under which it was originally filed and the date of filing of its initial articles of organization.

3. Upon the filing of the restated articles of organization with the secretary, the initial articles, as previously amended or supplemented, shall be superseded. Thereafter, the restated articles of organization, including any further amendment or changes made by the restated articles, shall be the articles of organization, but the original effective date of formation shall remain unchanged.

304. Any amendment or change made in connection with the restatement31of the articles of organization shall be subject to any other provision of32sections 347.010 to 347.187, not inconsistent with this section, that would33apply if separate articles of amendment were filed to make the amendment or34change.]

	[347.045. When all of the remaining property and assets of a limited
2	liability company have been applied and distributed as provided in section
$\frac{2}{3}$	347.139 or when a domestic limited liability company is not the surviving
4	entity, the articles of organization shall be cancelled by filing articles of
5	termination with the secretary setting forth:
6	(1) The name of the limited liability company;
7	(1) The date of filing of its articles of organization;
8	(3) The reason for filing the articles of termination;
9	(4) The date the articles of termination are filed, and, if such articles of
10	termination provide that they are not to become effective until a specified date
11	after their filing date, the effective date of such articles of termination, which
12	shall be in no event more than ninety days after their filing date;
13	(5) That a notice of merger or consolidation or a notice of winding up
14	disclosing the dissolution has been filed with the secretary as provided in
15	section 347.129 or 347.137, as the case may be, and the date on which such
16	notice was filed; and
17	(6) Any other matters which the members shall determine.]
	[347.047. 1. Unless otherwise provided in sections 347.010 to
2	347.187, articles, notices or documents permitted or required by sections
3	347.010 to 347.187 to be filed with the secretary shall be executed in the
4	following manner:
5	(1) The initial articles of organization shall be executed by the
6	organizer or organizers;
7	(2) An amended or restated articles of organization, statement of
8	change of registered agent or registered office, notice of merger or
9	consolidation, notice of winding up, articles of termination or other
10	document required or permitted to be filed under sections 347.010 to
11	347.187 shall be executed by an authorized person or any other person duly
12	authorized under the operating agreement; and
13	(3) All articles, notices and documents required by sections 347.010 to
14	347.187 to be filed by a limited liability company which is in the hands of a
15	receiver, trustee, or other court-appointed fiduciary, shall be executed by such
16	<del>fiduciary.</del>
17	2. The original, amended or restated articles of organization, notice of
18	winding up, notice of merger or consolidation, articles of termination or other
19	document required or permitted to be filed under sections 347.010 to 347.187
20	may be executed by a person duly authorized under a power of attorney.
21	3. The execution of any document required by sections 347.010 to
22	347.187 constitutes an affirmation under the penalties as set out in section
23	575.040 that the facts stated therein are true and that such person or persons
24	are duly authorized to execute such document or are otherwise required to file
25	such document under sections 347.010 to 347.187.]
•	[347.048. 1. (1) Any limited liability company that owns and rents or

[347.048. 1. (1) Any limited liability company that owns and rent leases real property, or owns unoccupied real property, located within:

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3	(a) Any home rule city with a population of more than four hundred
4	thousand inhabitants which is located in more than one county;
5	(b) Any home rule city with more than one hundred sixteen thousand
6	but fewer than one hundred fifty-five thousand inhabitants; or
7	(c) Any home rule city with more than seventy one thousand but fewer
8	than seventy-nine thousand inhabitants
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10	shall file with that city's clerk an affidavit listing the name and street address of
11	at least one natural person who has management control and responsibility for
12	the real property owned and leased or rented by the limited liability company,
13	or owned by the limited liability company and unoccupied.
14	(2) Within thirty days following the cessation of management control
15	and responsibility of any natural person named in an affidavit described in this
16	section, the limited liability company shall file a successor affidavit listing the
17	name and street address of a natural person successor.
18	2. No limited liability company shall be charged a fee for filing an
19	affidavit or successor affidavit required under this section.
20	3. If a limited liability company required by this section to file an
21	affidavit or a successor affidavit fails or refuses to file such completed
22	affidavit with the appropriate clerk, any person who is adversely affected by
23	the failure or refusal or the home rule city may petition the circuit court in the
24	county where the property is located to direct the execution and filing of such
25	document.]
2	[347.049. If a person required by section 347.047 to execute articles,
2	notices or documents required to be filed pursuant to sections 347.010 to
3	347.187 fails or refuses to do so, any other person who is adversely affected by
4	the failure or refusal may petition the circuit court in the county where the
5	principal place of business or the registered office of the limited liability
6	company is located to direct the execution and filing of such document. If the
7	court finds that it is proper for such document to be executed and filed and that
8	there has been failure or refusal to execute and file such document, it shall

[347.051. 1. The original copy of the articles of organization, an 2 amendment or restatement of such articles, articles of termination, statement of 3 change of registered agent or registered office, or any other statement, 4 document or notice required or permitted to be filed pursuant to sections 5 347.010 to 347.187, or of any judicial decree requiring the filing of such 6 document under sections 347.010 to 347.187, in a format as prescribed by the 7 secretary of state, shall be delivered to the secretary of state. A person who 8 executes articles or other documents to be filed under sections 347.010 to 9 347.187 as an agent or fiduciary need not evidence his authority as a 10 prerequisite to filing. If the secretary determines that the documents 11 substantially conform to the filing provisions of sections 347.010 to 347.187, it 12 shall, when all required filing fees have been paid:

order the secretary to file the appropriate document.]

13 (1) Endorse on the accepted signed original the word "Filed", and the
 14 date of its acceptance for filing;

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15 (2) The accepted original filing and certificate shall be retained by the
 secretary of state as a state record and a copy of both shall be returned to the
 person who submitted said document or the person's representative.

182. Upon the return by the secretary of any articles, notices, documents19or judicial decree of amendment marked "Filed", the person or persons20executing such documents shall promptly deliver or mail a copy thereof to21each member unless the operating agreement provides otherwise.]

[347.053. 1. If articles of organization, articles of amendment, a notice of winding up, or a notice of merger or consolidation filed pursuant to sections 347.010 to 347.187 contains a false statement, one who suffers loss by good faith reliance on such statement may recover damages for the loss from the limited liability company and from the person or persons who executed such document, or caused another to execute it on his behalf, knowing the statement to be false at the time such document was executed.

8 2. If the person or persons required under section 347.047 to execute 9 the articles of amendment fail to file the articles of amendment within the time 10 period prescribed in subsection 2 of section 347.041, the limited liability 11 company and such person or persons shall be assessed by the secretary a civil 12 penalty in the aggregate amount of ten dollars a day for each day the 13 amendment has not been delivered to the secretary, but not to exceed one 14 thousand dollars; except that the secretary may waive the penalty upon 15 showing of reasonable cause for the failure to amend in a timely manner, and 16 in no event shall a penalty be imposed under this section if a proceeding under 17 section 347.049 has been commenced within such time period. Failure to file 18 articles of amendment, a notice of winding up or articles of termination shall 19 not be grounds for imposing liability on any person for the debts and 20 obligations of the limited liability company.

[347.055. 1. A domestic or foreign limited liability company may file
 a statement of correction in a format prescribed by the secretary of state, if the
 filed document contains an incorrect statement as of the date such document
 was filed.

2. The statement of correction shall:

(1) State the name of the limited liability company;

(2) State the type of document being corrected;

(3) State the name of the jurisdiction under the law of organization;

(4) Describe the incorrect statement and the reason for the correction;

(5) If the correction is for a foreign liability company with regard to an incorrect name, provide a certificate of existence or document of similar import duly authenticated by the secretary of state or other official having custody of the records in the state or country under whose laws it is registered.

143. Articles of correction are effective on the effective date of the15document they correct except as to persons relying on the uncorrected16document and adversely affected by the correction. As to those persons,17articles of correction are effective when filed.

18 4. The secretary of state shall collect a filing fee of five dollars upon
 19 filing the statement of correction.

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20 5. The statement of correction shall be signed by an authorized person 21 of the limited liability company.]

[347.057. A person who is a member, manager, or both, of a limited liability company is not liable, solely by reason of being a member or manager, or both, under a judgment, decree or order of a court, or in any other manner, for a debt, obligation or liability of the limited liability company, whether arising in contract, tort or otherwise or for the acts or omissions of any other member, manager, agent or employee of the limited liability company.]

- [347.059. All persons who assume to act as a limited liability company 2 without authority to do so and without a good faith belief that they have such 3 authority shall be jointly and severally liable for all debts and liabilities 4 incurred by such persons so acting.]
- [347.061. 1. Property transferred to or otherwise acquired by a limited 2 liability company becomes property of the limited liability company. A 3 member has no interest in specific limited liability company property.
- 4 2. Property may be acquired, held and conveyed in the name of a 5 limited liability company. Any estate in real property may be acquired in the 6 name of the limited liability company and title to any estate so acquired shall 7 vest in the limited liability company itself rather than in the members 8 individually. 9

3. Subject to subsection 4 of this section:

10 (1) Property is presumed to be owned by the limited liability company if it is acquired in the name of the limited liability company; 11

12 (2) Property is presumed to be owned by the limited liability company 13 if it is purchased with funds of the limited liability company even if it is 14 acquired in the name of a member or other person; and

15 (3) Property is presumed to be separate property of one or more 16 members or other persons if it is acquired in the name or names of such person 17 or persons without use of funds of the limited liability company even though 18 the property was used for purposes of the business of the limited liability 19 company.

20 4. Real property and other property held of public record otherwise 21 than in the name of the limited liability company, the ownership of which is 22 customarily publicly recorded, shall not be deemed to be owned by the limited 23 liability company to the prejudice of a person who is not a member and who 24 did not have actual knowledge to the contrary.]

[347.063. 1. Title to property of the limited liability company that is held in the name of the limited liability company may be transferred by an instrument of transfer executed by any authorized person in the name of the limited liability company.

5 2. Title to property of the limited liability company that is held in the 6 name of one or more members or managers with an indication in the 7 instrument transferring title to the property to them of their capacity as members or managers of a limited liability company or of the existence of a 8

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9 limited liability company, even if the name of the limited liability company is
 10 not indicated, may be transferred by an instrument of transfer executed by the
 11 persons in whose name title is held.

12 3. Property transferred under subsections 1 and 2 of this section may 13 be recovered by the limited liability company if it proves that the act of the 14 person executing the instrument of transfer did not bind the limited liability 15 company under section 347.065, unless the property has been transferred by 16 the initial transferee or a person claiming through the initial transferee to a 17 subsequent transferee who gives value without having notice that the person 18 who executed the instrument of initial transfer lacked authority to bind the 19 limited liability company.

20 4. Title to property of the limited liability company that is held in the 21 name of one or more persons other than the limited liability company without 22 an indication in the instrument transferring title to the property to them of their 23 capacity as members or managers of a limited liability company or of the 24 existence of a limited liability company, may be transferred free of any claims 25 of the limited liability company or the members by the persons in whose name 26 title is held to a transferee who gives value without having notice that it is 27 property of a limited liability company.]

[347.065. 1. Except as provided in subsection 2 of this section, every 2 member is an agent of the limited liability company for the purpose of its 3 business and affairs, and the act of any member, including, but not limited to, 4 the execution of any instrument, for apparently carrying on in the usual way of 5 the business or affairs of the limited liability company of which he is a 6 member binds the limited liability company, unless the member so acting has 7 in fact no authority to act for the limited liability company in the particular 8 matter, and the person with whom he is dealing has knowledge of the fact that 9 the member has no such authority.

102. If the articles of organization provide that management of the11limited liability company is vested in one or more managers:

(1) No member, acting solely in his capacity as a member, is an agent of the limited liability company; and

(2) Every manager is an agent of the limited liability company for the purpose of its business and affairs, and the act of any manager for apparently carrying on in the usual way of the business or affairs of the limited liability company of which he is a manager binds the limited liability company, unless the manager so acting has, in fact, no authority to act for the limited liability company in the particular matter, and the person with whom he is dealing has knowledge of the fact that the manager has no such authority.

3. An act of a member or manager which is not apparently for the carrying on the usual way of the business or affairs of the limited liability company does not bind the limited liability company unless authorized in accordance with the terms of the operating agreement, at the time of the transaction or at any other time.

4. No act of a member, manager or other agent of a limited liability
 company in contravention of a restriction on authority shall bind the limited
 liability company to persons having knowledge of the restriction.

	[347.067. 1. After dissolution, an authorized person can bind the
2	limited liability company, except as provided in subsection 2 of this section, as
3	follows:
4	(1) By any act appropriate for winding up the affairs of the limited
5	liability company or completing transactions unfinished at dissolution; and
6	(2) By any transaction which, although not authorized, would bind the
7	limited liability company if dissolution had not taken place, if the other party
8	to the transaction:
9	(a) Had extended credit to the limited liability company within two
10	years prior to the event causing the dissolution and had no knowledge or notice
11	of the dissolution; or
12	(b) Though such party had not so extended credit, had nevertheless
13	known of the limited liability company prior to dissolution, had no knowledge
14	or notice of dissolution, the fact of dissolution had not been disclosed by a
15	notice of winding up filed pursuant to section 347.137 or a notice of merger or
16	consolidation filed pursuant to section 347.129.
17	2. The limited liability company is not bound by any unauthorized act
18	of an authorized person after dissolution:
19	(1) Where the limited liability company is dissolved because it is
20	unlawful to carry on the business, unless the act is appropriate for winding up
21	limited liability company affairs;
22	(2) Where such authorized person is the subject of a bankruptcy and
23	there is at least one remaining authorized person who is not the subject of a
24	bankruptey; or
25	(3) Where the person so dealing with such authorized person has
26	knowledge that such act is not authorized.]
	[347.069. 1. A member, manager, employee, or agent of a limited
2	liability company is not a proper party to proceedings by or against a limited
3	liability company, except where the object is to enforce such person's right
4	against or duty or liability to the limited liability company. Notwithstanding
5	any provision of sections 347.010 to 347.187 to the contrary, any person,
6	including a member, manager, employee or agent of a limited liability
7	company, against whom a claim exists may be joined as a proper party to
8	proceedings by or against a limited liability company to the extent the claim
9	arises out of the transaction or occurrence that is the subject matter of the
10	claim against the limited liability company.
11	2. Proceedings against a limited liability company shall be
12	commenced either in the county where the cause of action accrued or in any
13	county where such limited liability company shall have or usually keep an
14	office or agent for the transaction of its usual and customary business, or in the
15	county in which the office of the registered agent of the limited liability
16	company is maintained.]

[347.071. An admission or representation made by any authorized person concerning limited liability company business or affairs within the

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scope of his authority as conferred by sections 347.010 to 347.187 is evidence against the limited liability company.]

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[347.073. Notice to any authorized person of any matter relating to the business or affairs of the limited liability company, and the knowledge of the authorized person acting in the particular matter, acquired while an authorized person or then present to his mind, and the knowledge of any other authorized person who reasonably could and should have communicated it to the acting authorized person, operate as notice to or knowledge of the limited liability company, except in the case of a fraud on the limited liability company committed by or with the consent of that authorized person.]

[347.075. Where, by any wrongful act or omission or other actionable conduct of any authorized person, acting in the ordinary course of the business of the limited liability company, or otherwise with authority, loss or injury is caused to any person, not being a member in the limited liability company, the limited liability company is liable for all damages permitted by law as a consequence of such actionable conduct.]

[347.077. 1. If an authorized person, acting within the scope of his apparent authority, receives money or property of a person who is not a member or manager of the limited liability company and misapplies it, the limited liability company is liable for all damages permitted by law as a consequence of such actionable conduct.

6 2. If the limited liability company, in the course of its business, 7 receives money or property of a third person and the money or property so 8 received is misapplied by any member or manager while it is in the custody of 9 the limited liability company, the limited liability company is liable for all 10 damages permitted by law as a consequence of such actionable conduct.]

[347.079. 1. The articles of organization shall provide how management of the limited liability company will be vested and who shall have the right and authority to manage the affairs of the limited liability company and make all decisions with respect thereto, subject to any provisions in the operating agreement or sections 347.010 to 347.187 restricting or enlarging the management rights or responsibilities of one or more persons or classes of persons.

2. If the articles of organization provide that management of the 8 9 limited liability company shall be vested in one or more managers, then 10 management of the limited liability company shall be vested in such manager 11 or managers who shall have the right and authority to manage the affairs of the 12 limited liability company and make decisions with respect thereto to the extent 13 provided in the operating agreement, including any provisions therein 14 restricting or enlarging the management rights or responsibilities of one or 15 more persons or classes of persons. The managers of a limited liability 16 company shall be designated in the operating agreement, or designated, 17 appointed or elected by the members in the manner prescribed by the operating agreement, and may be removed or replaced in the manner provided in the 18

operating agreement. Managers need not be members of the limited liability 19 20 company or individuals unless otherwise required by the operating agreement. 21 If the operating agreement does not provide a manner for designating, 22 appointing, electing, removing or replacing managers, then, the managers of a limited liability company shall be designated, appointed, elected, removed or 23 24 replaced by the vote of a majority by number of the members and unless 25 earlier removed or resigned, managers shall hold office until their successors 26 have been designated, appointed or elected and qualified. 27 3. Except as provided in the operating agreement, the affirmative vote, 28 approval or consent of all members shall be required to:

(1) Amend a written operating agreement;

(2) Issue an interest in the limited liability company to any person and admit such person as a member;

(3) Approve a merger or consolidation with another person;

(4) Change the status of the limited liability company from one in which management is vested in the members to one in which management is vested in one or more managers, or vice versa;

(5) Authorize any transaction, agreement or action on behalf of the limited liability company that is unrelated to its purpose as set forth in the articles of organization, that otherwise contravenes the operating agreement or that is not within the usual course of the business of the limited liability company; or

41 (6) Determine, modify, compromise or release the amount and
 42 character of the contributions which a member shall make, or shall promise to
 43 make, as the consideration for the issuance of an interest in the limited liability
 44 company.

45 4. Except as provided in the operating agreement, and subject to 46 subsection 3 of this section, the affirmative vote, approval or consent of more 47 than one-half by number of the authorized persons shall be required to decide 48 any matter connected with the business or affairs of the limited liability 49 company.]

[347.081. 1. The member or members of a limited liability company shall adopt an operating agreement containing such provisions as such member or members may deem appropriate, subject only to the provisions of sections 347.010 to 347.187 and other law. The operating agreement may contain any provision, not inconsistent with law, relating to the conduct of the business and affairs of the limited liability company, its rights and powers, and the rights, powers and duties of its members, managers, agents or employees, including:

(1) Whether the management of the limited liability company shall be vested in one or more members, managers or other persons, and, if so, the powers and authority to be exercised by such persons;

(2) Providing for classes or groups of members having various rights,
 powers and duties, and providing for the future creation of additional classes
 or groups of members having relative rights, powers and duties superior or
 equal to existing classes and groups of members;

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15	(3) The exercise or division of management or voting rights among
16	different classes or groups of members, managers or other persons on a per
17	capita or other basis;
18	(4) With respect to any matter requiring a vote, approval or consent of
19	members or managers, provisions relating to notice of the time, place or
20	purpose of any meeting at which any matter is to be voted on, waiver of notice,
21	action by consent without a meeting, quorum requirements, authorizations by
22	proxy, or any other matter with respect to the exercise of any voting or
23	approval rights;
24	(5) Authorizing all or certain persons to execute articles, notices or
25	documents permitted or required by sections 347.010 to 347.187;
26	(6) Restrictions on the transfer of members' interests in the limited
27	liability company, and options or rights to acquire or sell members' interests in
28	the limited liability company;
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	(7) The manner in which income, gain, deduction, loss, credit and items thereaf are to be allocated to the members, and
30	items thereof are to be allocated to the members; and
31	(8) Provisions relating to any tax elections to be made by the limited
32	liability company and the authorization of persons to make such elections.
33	2. It is the policy of sections 347.010 to 347.187 to give the maximum
34	effect to the principle of freedom of contract and to the enforceability of
35	operating agreements.
36	3. The operating agreement shall be enforceable at law or in equity by
37	any member to the extent provided in applicable law.
38	4. This section shall not affect any otherwise valid agreement among
39	members of a limited liability company.]
	[347.083. Unless otherwise provided in the operating agreement, any
2	action or vote which must be taken at a meeting of the members or managers,
3	as the case may be, may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing,
4	setting forth the action so taken, is signed by all of the persons entitled to act or
5	vote with respect to such matter. Such consent shall have the same effect as an
6	act or vote of such persons.]
	[347.085. 1. When, under the provisions of sections 347.010 to
2	347.187 or under the provisions of the operating agreement of a limited
3	liability company, notice is required to be given to any person, a waiver in
4	writing signed by that person, whether before or after the time stated in it, is
5	equivalent to the giving of notice.
6	2. A person's attendance at a meeting:
7	(1) Waives objection to lack of notice or defective notice of the
8	meeting, unless such person at the beginning of the meeting objects to holding
8 9	the meeting or transacting business at the meeting and
9 10	the meeting or transacting business at the meeting; and (2) Waives objection to consideration of a particular matter at the
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11	meeting that is not within the purpose or purposes described in the meeting
12	notice, unless such person objects to considering the matter when it is
13	presented.]

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	[347.088. 1. Except as otherwise provided in the operating agreement
2	an authorized person shall discharge his or her duty under sections 347.010 to
$\frac{2}{3}$	347.187 and the operating agreement in good faith, with the care a corporate
4	officer of like position would exercise under similar circumstances, in the
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	manner a reasonable person would believe to be in the best interest of the
6	limited liability company, and shall not be liable for any such action so taken
7	or any failure to take such action, if he or she performs such duties in
8	compliance with this subsection.
9	2. To the extent that, at law or equity, a member or manager or other
10	person has duties, including fiduciary duties, and liabilities relating to those
11	duties to the limited liability company or to another member, manager, or other
12	person that is party to or otherwise bound by an operating agreement:
13	(1) Any such member, manager, or other person acting under the
14	operating agreement shall not be liable to the limited liability company or to
15	any such other member, manager, or other person for the member's, manager's,
16	or other person's good faith reliance on the provisions of the operating
17	agreement; and
18	(2) The member's, manager's or other person's duties and liabilities
19	may be expanded or restricted by provision in the operating agreement.
20	3. Except as otherwise provided in the operating agreement, every
21	member or manager, if any, shall account to the limited liability company and
22	hold as trustee for it any profit or benefit derived by such person without the
23	informed consent of more than one-half by number of disinterested managers
24	or members from any transaction connected with the conduct of the business
25	and affairs or the winding up of the limited liability company, or from any
26	personal use by such person of the property of the limited liability company,
27	including confidential or proprietary information of the limited liability
28	company or other matters entrusted to him as a result of his status as manager
29	or member.
30	4. Except as provided in subsection 2 of this section or the operating
31	agreement, one who is a member of a limited liability company in which
32	management is vested in one or more managers and who is not a manager shall
33	have no duties to the limited liability company or to the other members solely
34	by reason of acting in his capacity as a member.]
	[347.090. 1. Unless he has knowledge concerning the matter in
2	question that makes such reliance unwarranted, in discharging his duties under
2 3	the operating agreement, an authorized person is entitled to rely on
4	information, opinions, reports or statements, including financial statements
5	and other financial data, if prepared or presented by:
6	(1) One or more employees of the limited liability company whom
7	such authorized person reasonably believes to be reliable and competent in the
8	matters presented;
9	(2) Legal counsel, accountants, or other persons as to matters such
10	authorized person reasonably believes are within such person's professional or
11	expert competence: or

11 expert competence; or

12 (3) A committee of managers or members of which he is not a 13 constituent, if such authorized person reasonably believes that the committee 14 merits confidence. 15 2. An authorized person is not liable for any action taken with respect 16 to his duties under the operating agreement, or any failure to take such action, 17 if he performs such duties in compliance with this section.] [347.091. 1. The limited liability company shall keep at its principal 2 place of business, the following: 3 (1) A current and a past list, setting forth the full name and last known 4 mailing address of each member and manager, if any, set forth in alphabetical 5 order: 6 (2) A copy of the articles of organization and all articles of amendment 7 thereto, together with executed copies of any powers of attorney pursuant to 8 which any articles have been executed; 9 (3) Copies of the limited liability company's federal, state and local 10 income tax returns and reports, if any, for the three most recent years or, if 11 such returns and reports were not prepared for any reason, copies of the 12 information and records provided to, or which should have been provided to, 13 the members to enable them to prepare their federal, state and local tax returns 14 for such period; 15 (4) Copies of any effective written operating agreements, and all 16 amendments thereto, and copies of any written operating agreements no longer 17 in effect; 18 (5) Copies of any financial statements of the limited liability company 19 for the three most recent years; 20 (6) Unless contained in a written operating agreement, a writing 21 setting out: 22 (a) The amount of cash and a statement of the agreed value of other 23 property or services contributed by each member and the times at which or 24 events upon the happening of which any additional contributions agreed to be 25 made by each member are to be made; 26 (b) Information that would enable a member to determine the relative 27 voting rights of the members on a particular matter if such voting rights are 28 other than on a per capita basis; and 29 (c) Any events upon the happening of which the limited liability 30 company is to be dissolved and its affairs wound up; 31 (7) Copies of any written promise by a member to make a contribution 32 to the limited liability company; 33 (8) Copies of any written consents by the members to the admission of 34 any person as a member of the limited liability company; 35 (9) Copies of any written consents by the members to continue the 36 limited liability company upon an event of withdrawal of any member; 37 (10) Copies of any other instruments or documents reflecting matters 38 required to be in writing pursuant to the operating agreement. 39 2. Each member may:

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40 (1) Inspect and copy during ordinary business hours, at the reasonable
 41 request and at the expense of such member, any of the limited liability
 42 company records required to be kept by subsection 1 of this section;

43 (2) From time to time upon reasonable demand, obtain true and full
 44 information regarding the state of the business and financial condition of the
 45 limited liability company;

(3) Have an accounting of the affairs of the limited liability company whenever circumstances render it just and reasonable.

48 3. The secretary may request in writing that the limited liability 49 company forward to him a complete copy of the current, past, or both, limited 50 liability company lists kept pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection 1 of this 51 section without cost to the secretary. Any authorized person who has 52 possession or control of such list and who fails to deliver the list to the 53 secretary within twenty days after receiving written demand therefor may be 54 individually subject to a civil penalty in the amount of fifty dollars per day for 55 each day the list has not been delivered to the secretary, but not to exceed ten 56 thousand dollars, such penalty to be assessed and collected by the secretary, 57 and prosecuted criminally with any resulting conviction being a class A 58 misdemeanor.

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 4. Failure of the limited liability company to keep any of the records or
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[347.093. Except as provided in the operating agreement, a member or
 manager may lend money to and transact business with the limited liability
 company and, subject to other applicable law, has the same rights and
 obligations with respect thereto as a person who is not a member or manager.

[347.095. Nothing contained in sections 347.079 to 347.090 shall have any application to claims among members, managers, or the limited liability company on the one hand, and persons who assert claims against a member, manager or a limited liability company which do not arise from the claimant's status as a member or manager of that limited liability company.]

[347.097. An interest in a limited liability company may be issued for the consideration of a contribution or an enforceable promise to make a contribution in the future, or both.]

[347.099. 1. No promise by a member to make a contribution to the limited liability company is enforceable unless set out in a writing signed by the member.

2. Except as provided in the operating agreement, a member or, in the
case of a deceased member, that member's personal representative, is obligated
to the limited liability company to perform any promise to make a
contribution, including a promise to render services, even if the member is
unable to perform because of death, disability or any other reason. If a
member does not make the required contribution, the member is obligated, at

10 the option of the limited liability company, to contribute cash equal to the 11 value, as stated in the operating agreement or the records required to be kept 12 pursuant to section 347.091, of that portion of the promised contribution that 13 has not been made. The foregoing option shall be in addition to, and not in 14 lieu of, any other rights, including the right to specific performance, that the 15 limited liability company or other members may have against such member 16 under the operating agreement or applicable law.

3. A member's obligation to make a contribution shall not be
 enforceable by a third-party creditor of the limited liability company or any
 other member unless the member so obligated to make such contribution has
 specifically agreed or consented to such enforcement or the limited liability
 company has assigned such member's obligation to the creditor or creditors
 seeking to enforce the obligation.

4. Upon the failure of a member to make a promised contribution
 when due, the limited liability company may enforce such member's obligation
 by appropriate legal action for damages for breach of contract or for specific
 performance, and the limited liability company and other members may
 exercise and enforce such additional rights and remedies as may be provided
 under the operating agreement in the event of any such failure, subject to the
 applicable law regarding the enforcement of contracts.

[347.101. 1. Except as provided in section 347.109, a limited liability company shall make distributions of cash or other property to its members before the dissolution and winding up of the limited liability company at the times or upon the happening of the events specified in the operating agreement or, if the operating agreement does not so specify, then at such times as may be approved by a majority of the authorized persons. 2. Distributions of eash or other property to members by a limited

2. Distributions of eash or other property to members by a limited liability company before the dissolution and winding up of a limited liability company shall be shared among the members, and among classes of members, in the manner and in the relative priorities provided in the operating agreement. If the operating agreement does not so provide, distributions shall be shared among the members in the following manner:

13 (1) First, distributions shall be shared among the members in
 14 proportion to the amount of cash contributions and the value of other
 15 contributions, as stated in the operating agreement or the records required to be
 16 kept pursuant to section 347.091, made by them, respectively, until each
 17 member has been returned his contributions; and

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(2) Second, distributions shall be shared by the members equally.]

[347.103. 1. If a limited liability company dissolves and winds up its business and affairs as a result of an event of withdrawal of a member, then, except as otherwise provided in the operating agreement, such member and his personal representatives, successors and assigns shall have the rights of an assignee of the withdrawn member's interest in the limited liability company to receive distributions with respect to such interest during and upon completion of winding up, but the limited liability company may, in addition to any remedies otherwise available under applicable law, reduce the amounts

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9 distributable with respect to such interest by any damages recoverable against
 10 the withdrawn member if such event of withdrawal violated the operating
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12 2. If the business of a limited liability company is continued following 13 an event of withdrawal of a member, then, except as otherwise provided in the 14 operating agreement, such member shall have the rights of an assignee of the 15 withdrawn member's interest in the limited liability company. The withdrawn 16 member shall be entitled to receive any distributions to which he is entitled 17 upon such event of withdrawal under the provisions of the operating 18 agreement. If the operating agreement does not provide for the amount of 19 or a method for determining the distribution, if any, to which a withdrawn 20 member is entitled, the withdrawn member shall be entitled, except in the case 21 of an event of withdrawal pursuant to subsection 2 of section 347.123, to 22 receive from the limited liability company, upon demand for such distribution 23 made by or on behalf of such withdrawn member within one hundred eighty 24 days after such event of withdrawal and subject to the limitation set forth in 25 section 347.109, the fair value of such withdrawn member's interest in the 26 limited liability company as of the date of withdrawal based upon such 27 withdrawn member's right to share in distributions from the limited liability 28 company as an ongoing operation. If such demand is not made on a timely 29 basis, the limited liability company may, except as provided in the operating 30 agreement, purchase the withdrawn member's interest in the limited liability 31 company, for the fair value of such withdrawn member's interest in the limited 32 liability company determined as of the date of withdrawal based upon such 33 withdrawn member's right to share in distributions from the limited liability 34 company as an ongoing operation, at any time, upon thirty days' written notice 35 from the limited liability company to the withdrawn member, such withdrawn 36 member's personal representatives, successors or assigns. In any event, if such 37 event of withdrawal violated the operating agreement: 38

(1) The goodwill of the limited liability company's business shall be excluded in determining the fair value of the withdrawn member's interest;

(2) In addition to any remedies otherwise available under applicable law, the amount payable to the withdrawn member shall be reduced by any damages suffered by the limited liability company or its members as a result of the withdrawn member's breach of the operating agreement; and

(3) The limited liability company may defer payment of the amount the withdrawn member is entitled to receive for such period, and shall secure the same by such collateral, as may be approved by a court, in order to prevent unreasonable hardship to the limited liability company.

- The provisions of this section apply to all limited liability
   companies in existence on the effective date of this section, unless such limited
   liability company elects otherwise by the written agreement of all its
   members.
- [347.105. Except as otherwise provided in the operating agreement, a
   member, regardless of the nature of his contribution, has no right to demand
   and receive any distribution from a limited liability company in any form other
   than cash. Except as provided in the operating agreement, a member may not

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5 be compelled to accept a distribution of any property other than cash from the 6 limited liability company unless the members receive undivided ownership 7 interests therein that are in the same proportions as they would have shared in 8 a cash distribution equal to the value of such property at the time of 9 distribution.]

[347.107. At the time a member becomes entitled to receive a distribution in accordance with sections 347.010 to 347.187 and the operating agreement, that member has the status of, and is entitled to, all remedies available to a creditor of the limited liability company with respect to the distribution.]

[347.109. 1. A limited liability company shall not make any distribution to one or more members with respect to their interests in the limited liability company, and no member shall be entitled to receive any such distribution, to the extent that, after giving effect to the distribution:

(1) The limited liability company would not be able to pay its debts as they became due in the usual course of business; or

(2) The limited liability company's total assets would be less than the sum of its total liabilities to which such assets are subject plus, unless the operating agreement provides otherwise, the amount that would be needed, if the limited liability company were to be dissolved at the time of the distribution, to satisfy the preferential rights upon dissolution of members whose rights to receive distributions are superior under the operating agreement to the rights of the members receiving the distribution, except that, for purposes of making such determination, liabilities to members or former members in their status as such shall be excluded.

2. The limited liability company may base a determination that its distribution is not prohibited under subsection 1 of this section on:

(1) Financial statements prepared on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles and practices that are reasonable under the circumstances; or

(2) A fair valuation or other method that is reasonable under the circumstances.

3. The effective distribution under subsection 1 of this section is measured as of:

(1) The date the distribution is authorized, if the distribution in fact occurs within one hundred twenty days after the date of authorization; or

(2) The date the payment is made, if it occurs more than one hundred twenty days after the date of authorization.

29 4. If a member shall receive any distribution with respect to his interest 30 in a limited liability company in violation of this section or the operating 31 agreement, such member and the person or persons who are vested with 32 authority under the operating agreement to make distributions to the members 33 and who knowingly authorized or permitted such distribution to the member 34 shall be liable, for a period of three years following the date of the distribution, 35 to the limited liability company for the value of the wrongful distribution, but only to the extent necessary to discharge the limited liability company's 36

liabilities incurred prior to the date of such distribution. If more than one such
 person who authorized or permitted such wrongful distribution is held liable
 therefor pursuant to this subsection, each such person shall be entitled to
 contribution from the other persons who are held so liable therefor pursuant to
 this subsection.]

[347.111. The profits or losses of a limited liability company shall be 2 allocated among the members, and among classes of members, in the manner 3 provided in the operating agreement. If the operating agreement does not so 4 provide, profits shall be allocated among the members in the amount and 5 manner of any losses previously allocated to the members to the extent not 6 previously offset by allocations of profit and then according to the manner in 7 which they share in distributions which exceed the repayment of their 8 contributions, and losses shall be allocated among the members according to 9 the respective contributions which they have made and promised to make in 10 the future.]

[347.113. 1. A person is a member at the time the limited liability company is formed if such person is identified as a member in and signs, in person or by an attorney in fact, or otherwise becomes a party to the operating agreement.

5 2. A person may be admitted as an additional member by signing, in 6 person or by an attorney in fact, or otherwise becoming a party to the operating 7 agreement and by complying with the applicable terms and conditions of the 8 operating agreement or, if the operating agreement does not so provide, upon 9 the written consent of all members; or in the case of an assignee of the interest 10 of a member who has the power, as provided in the operating agreement, to 11 grant the assignce the right to become a member, upon the exercise of that 12 power in compliance with any conditions limiting the exercise thereof.]

[347.115. 1. The interest of a member in a limited liability company is 2 personal property and, except as provided in the operating agreement, may be 3 assigned in whole or in part. An assignment of an interest does not entitle the 4 assignee to participate in the management of the business and affairs of the 5 limited liability company or to become or to exercise the rights of a member, 6 except as provided in section 347.113. An assignee that has not become a 7 member shall only be entitled to receive, to the extent assigned, the share of 8 distributions and profits, including distributions representing the return of 9 contributions, to which the assignor would otherwise be entitled with respect 10 to the assigned interest. Unless otherwise provided in the operating 11 agreement, a member shall not cease to be a member as a result of the 12 pledge, encumbrancing or the granting of a security interest in the interest of 13 such member in the limited liability company.

2. An assignee who has become a member has, to the extent assigned,
 the rights and powers, and is subject to the restrictions and liabilities, of a
 member under the articles of organization, the operating agreement and
 sections 347.010 to 347.187. An assignee who becomes a member is liable for
 any obligations of his assignor to make contributions.

19 3. Unless otherwise provided in the operating agreement, if an
 20 assignee of an interest in a limited liability company becomes a member, the
 21 assignor is not released from his liability to the limited liability company under
 22 section 347.099 or section 347.109 without the written consent of all
 23 members.]

[347.117. 1. Unless otherwise provided in the operating agreement, if a member who is an individual dies or a court of competent jurisdiction judges the member to be incompetent to manage his or her person or property, the member's executor, administrator, guardian, conservator, or other legal representative shall have any power the member had to give his assignee the right to become a member and all of the rights of an assignee of the member's interest.

8 2. If a member is a corporation, partnership, limited liability company, 9 trust or other entity and is dissolved or terminated, its legal representative or 10 successor shall have any power the member had to give his assignee the right 11 to become a member and all of the rights of an assignce of the member's 12 interest.]

[347.119. On application to a court of competent jurisdiction by any judgment creditor of a member, the court may charge the member's interest in the limited liability company with payment of the unsatisfied amount of the judgment with interest. To the extent so charged, the judgment creditor has only the rights of an assignee of the member's interest. Sections 347.010 to 347.187 do not deprive any member of the benefit of any exemption laws applicable to his interest in the limited liability company.]

[347.121. 1. A member may withdraw from a limited liability company at the time or upon the events specified in writing in the operating agreement, or at any time upon giving ninety days' prior written notice of withdrawal to the other members but, if the withdrawal violates a written provision in the operating agreement, the limited liability company may recover from the withdrawing member damages for breach of the operating agreement and offset the damages against the amount otherwise distributable to the withdrawing member in accordance with section 347.103.

9 2. Except as otherwise provided in the operating agreement, upon the 10 occurrence of an event of withdrawal of a member, the withdrawn member 11 shall have no further duty to the limited liability company except for the duty 12 to account to the limited liability company for any profit or benefit derived by 13 such person without the informed consent of more than one-half by number of 14 disinterested managers or members from any transaction connected with the 15 conduct of the business and affairs of the limited liability company prior to the 16 event of withdrawal, or from any personal use by such person of the property 17 of the limited liability company, including confidential or proprietary 18 information of the limited liability company or other matters entrusted to 19 such person as a result of such member's status as a manager or member.

20 3. Except as otherwise provided in the operating agreement, upon the
 21 withdrawal of a member, the withdrawn member shall have no further right to

- participate in the management and affairs of the limited liability company and
   shall have only the rights of an assignee of the withdrawn member's interest in
   the limited liability company.
- [347.123. A person ceases to be a member of a limited liability 2 company upon the happening of any of the following events of withdrawal: 3 (1) The member withdraws from the limited liability company as 4 provided in section 347.121; 5 (2) Unless otherwise provided in the operating agreement or by the 6 specific written consent of all members at the time, the member assigns all of 7 his interest in the limited liability company; 8 (3) The member is expelled as a member in accordance with the 9 operating agreement; 10 (4) Unless otherwise provided in the operating agreement or by the 11 specific written consent of all members at the time, the member: 12 (a) Makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors; 13 (b) Is the subject of a bankruptey; 14 (c) Files a petition or answer seeking for himself any reorganization, 15 arrangement, composition, readjustment, liquidation, or similar relief under 16 any statute, law or regulation or files an answer or other pleading admitting or 17 failing to contest the material allegations of a petition filed against him in a 18 proceeding of such nature; or 19 (d) Seeks, consents to or acquiesces in the appointment of a trustee, 20 receiver or liquidator of the member or of all or any substantial part of his 21 property; 22 (5) Unless otherwise provided in the operating agreement or by the 23 specific written consent of all members at the time, one hundred twenty days 24 after the commencement of any proceeding against the member seeking 25 reorganization, arrangement, composition, readjustment, liquidation, 26 dissolution or similar relief under any statute, law or regulation, the 27 proceeding has not been dismissed, or if within ninety days after the 28 appointment without his consent or acquiescence of a trustee, receiver or 29 liquidator of the member or of all or any substantial part of his property, the 30 appointment is not vacated or stayed, or within ninety days after the expiration 31 of any such stay, the appointment is not vacated; 32 (6) In the case of a member who is a natural person: 33 (a) His death; or 34 (b) The entry by a court of competent jurisdiction adjudicating him 35 incompetent to manage his person or his estate; 36 (7) In the case of a member that is a trust, the termination of the trust 37 or a distribution of its entire interest in the limited liability company but not 38 merely the substitution of a new trustee; 39 (8) In the case of a member that is a general or limited partnership, the 40 dissolution and commencement of winding up of the partnership or a 41 distribution of its entire interest in the limited liability company; 42 (9) In the case of a member that is a corporation, the filing of articles 43 of dissolution, or their equivalent, for the corporation or revocation of its charter or a distribution of its entire interest in the limited liability company; 44

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(10) In the case of a member that is an estate, the distribution by the fiduciary of the estate's entire interest in the limited liability company; or

47 (11) In the case of a member that is a limited liability company, the
 48 filing of articles of dissolution or termination, or their equivalent, for the
 49 limited liability company or a distribution of its entire interest in the limited
 50 liability company.]

[347.125. 1. A general or limited partnership formed under the laws of
 this state may convert to a limited liability company by filing articles of
 organization that meet the requirements of section 347.039 and include the
 following:

(1) The name of the former general partnership or limited partnership;

(2) In the case of a limited partnership, the date and place of filing of the initial certificate of limited partnership of the former limited partnership and any application for registration as a limited liability limited partnership; and

(3) In the case of a general partnership, the date of filing of any fictitious name registration of the former general partnership or any application for registration as a limited liability partnership.

2. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require, or deemed to constitute, a dissolution of the general partnership or limited partnership prior to its conversion to a limited liability company as permitted in this section.

16 3. When a general partnership or limited partnership is converted to a 17 limited liability company pursuant to this section, the title to any real or 18 personal property or any interest therein and all rights, privileges, powers, 19 debts, causes of action vested in the former partnership shall be deemed to be 20 transferred to and vested in such limited liability company without further act 21 or deed. Confirmatory deeds, assignments or similar instruments to evidence 22 the transfer may be executed and delivered at any time in the name of the 23 partnership to the limited liability company.

24 4. When a general partnership or limited partnership is converted to a 25 limited liability company pursuant to this section, all duties, debts, liens, 26 liabilities and rights of creditors as against the former partnership and its 27 partners shall continue without impairment and shall attach to the limited 28 liability company. Any existing claim, action or proceeding pending by or 29 against the partnership or its partners may be prosecuted to judgment as if the 30 conversion had not taken place, or against the limited liability company to the 31 same extent as if such duties, debts, liens and liabilities had been incurred or 32 contracted by it. A judgment against the partnership constitutes a lien against 33 the limited liability company and may be enforced against the limited liability 34 company.

35 5. In the case of a conversion of a general or limited partnership to a 36 limited liability company pursuant to this section, the fictitious name 37 registration, certificate of limited partnership of the general or limited 38 partnership and any application for registration as a limited liability 39 partnership or limited liability limited partnership shall be deemed cancelled 40 by the filing of the articles of organization by the secretary of state pursuant to 41 this section.]

	[347.127. 1. A domestic limited liability company may merge or
2	consolidate with or into one or more limited liability companies formed under
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	the laws of this state or any other jurisdiction, and such domestic limited
4	liability company or foreign limited liability company by agreement between
5	the parties to the merger or consolidation, shall provide for the surviving
6	entity, as provided in sections 347.127 to 347.135.
7	2. A domestic limited liability company may merge or consolidate
8	with one or more general partnerships or domestic or foreign limited
9	partnerships, limited liability companies, trusts, business trusts, corporations,
10	real estate investment trusts and other associations or business entities at least
11	one of which is not a limited liability, as provided in sections 347.700 to
12	<del>347.735.</del> ]
_	[347.128. Each limited liability company party to a merger or
2	consolidation as described in subsection 1 of section 347.121 shall enter into a
3	written agreement of merger or consolidation. The agreement of merger or
4	consolidation shall set forth:
5	(1) The name and state or country of organization of each of the
6	limited liability companies party to the merger or consolidation and the name
7	of the surviving limited liability company into which each other limited
8	liability company proposes to merge or the new limited liability company into
9	which each of the limited liability companies propose to consolidate;
10	(2) The terms and conditions of the merger or consolidation;
11	(3) The manner and basis of converting the interests in each limited
12	liability company party to the merger or consolidation into interests of the
13	surviving or new limited liability company or of any other person, or, in whole
14	or in part, into eash or other property;
15	(4) In the case of a merger, such amendments to the organizational
16	documents of the surviving limited liability company, as are desired to be
17	effected by the merger, or a statement that no such amendments are desired;
18	(5) In the case of a consolidation, all statements required to be set forth
19	in the articles of organization of the new limited liability company; and
20	(6) Such other provisions relating to the proposed merger or
21	consolidation as are deemed necessary or desirable by the parties to the
22	merger or consolidation.
	[347.129. 1. The surviving limited liability company in the merger or
2	the new limited liability company in the consolidation shall file a notice of the
3	merger or consolidation with the secretary which shall set forth:
4	(1) The name of each party to the merger or consolidation;
5	(2) The effective date of the merger or consolidation which may not
6	exceed ninety days after the filing of the notice of merger or consolidation;
7	(3) The name of the surviving limited liability company in the merger
8	or the new limited liability company in the consolidation and the state of its
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10 (4) A statement that the merger or consolidation was authorized and 11 approved by the members of each party to the merger or consolidation in 12 accordance with the laws of the jurisdiction where it was organized;

- 13 (5) If applicable, the address of the registered office and the name of
   the registered agent at such office for the surviving or new limited liability
   company;
  - (6) In the case of a merger in which a domestic limited liability company is the surviving limited liability company, such amendments to the articles of organization of the surviving limited liability company as are desired to be effected by the merger, or, if no such amendments or changes are desired, a statement that the articles of organization of the surviving limited liability company shall not be amended as a result of the merger;
    - (7) In the case of a consolidation in which a domestic limited liability company is the continuing limited liability company, the articles of organization of the new domestic limited liability company shall be set forth in an attachment to the notice of consolidation;
- 26 (8) A statement that the executed agreement of merger or
   27 consolidation is on file at the principal place of business of the surviving or
   28 new limited liability company, stating the address of the principal place of
   29 business; and
- 30 (9) A statement that a copy of the agreement of merger or
   31 consolidation will be furnished by the surviving or new entity, on request
   32 and without cost, to any member of any entity that is a party to the merger or
   33 consolidation.
- The notice of the merger or consolidation shall be executed by at
   least one authorized person of the domestic limited liability company and one
   authorized agent, or its equivalent, for the other party to the merger or
   consolidation who is duly authorized to execute such notice.
- 38 3. In the event the merger or consolidation is not consummated for any
   39 reason, the domestic limited liability company shall promptly file a notice of
   40 the abandonment of the merger or consolidation with the secretary which shall
   41 set forth:
  - (1) The name of each party to the merger or consolidation;
- 43 (2) The date the notice of merger or consolidation was filed with the
   44 secretary; and
   45 (3) A statement that the merger or consolidation was not consummated
  - (3) A statement that the merger or consolidation was not consummated and has been abandoned.
- 47 4. If the surviving or new limited liability company is a foreign limited 48 liability company, the effective date of such merger or consolidation shall be 49 the date on which the same becomes effective in the state of domicile of such 50 surviving or new limited liability company; provided a document from the 51 state of domicile of the surviving limited liability company in the case of 52 merger or the case of consolidation certifying that the merger or consolidation 53 has become effective in such state shall be a requirement for the merger or 54 consolidation becoming effective in this state.]
- 2 [347.131. A merger or consolidation with a domestic survivor or new domestic limited liability company is effective as of the later of:

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3 (1) The date the secretary files the notice of merger or consolidation
 4 for record; or
 5 (2) The date set forth in the notice of merger or consolidation, not to

(2) The date set forth in the notice of merger or consolidation, not to exceed ninety days after the notice of merger or consolidation is accepted for filing.]

[347.133. Consummation of a merger or consolidation shall have the following effects:

(1) The separate existence of each party to the merger or consolidation, except the surviving entity, ceases;

(2) The assets of each party to the merger or consolidation, including any legacies that it would have been capable of taking, transfer to, vest in and devolve on the surviving entity without further act or deed. Confirmatory deeds, assignments or similar instruments to evidence the transfer may be executed and delivered at any time in the name of the transferring party to the agreement of merger or consolidation by its last acting members or managers, authorized officers or other authorized agents or by the appropriate members, managers, authorized officers or other authorized agents of the surviving entity;

14 (3) The surviving entity is liable for all the debts and obligations of 15 each nonsurviving party to the merger or consolidation. Any existing claim, 16 action or proceeding pending by or against any nonsurviving party to the 17 merger or consolidation may be prosecuted to judgment as if the merger or 18 consolidation had not taken place, or, on motion of the surviving entity or any 19 party, the surviving entity may be substituted as a party to the claim, action or 20 proceeding. A judgment against the nonsurviving party to the merger or 21 consolidation constitutes a lien on the surviving entity;

(4) A merger or consolidation does not impair the rights of creditors or any liens on the property of any foreign or domestic person party to the merger or consolidation;

(5) In the case of a merger, the articles of organization of any surviving domestic limited liability company shall be amended to the extent provided in the notice of merger and the articles of organization of each other domestic limited liability company shall be deemed cancelled by the filing of the notice of merger by the secretary of state;

30 (6) In the case of a consolidation, the statements set forth in the 31 agreement or articles of consolidation and which are required or permitted to 32 be set forth in the organizational documents of the new entity shall be deemed 33 to be the original organizational documents of the new entity and the 34 organizational documents of each other domestic constituent entity shall be 35 deemed cancelled by the filing of the notice of consolidation by the secretary 36 of state; and

37 (7) The interests in each limited liability company party to the merger
 38 or consolidation that are to be converted or exchanged into interests, cash,
 39 obligations or other property pursuant to the terms of the agreement of merger
 40 or consolidation shall be so converted or exchanged. The former holders of
 41 such interests, cash, obligations or other property shall be entitled only to the

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42 rights provided in the agreement of merger or consolidation or the rights 43 otherwise provided by law.

[347.135. If, following a merger or consolidation involving one or 2 more domestic limited liability companies, the surviving entity is a person, 3 who is not organized under the laws of this state, there shall be included in the 4 notice of merger or consolidation filed pursuant to section 347.129 a statement 5 that the surviving entity agrees that it may be served with process in the state 6 of Missouri in any action, suit, or proceeding for the enforcement of any 7 obligation of the domestic limited liability company or companies that arose 8 before the merger or consolidation, irrevocably appointing the secretary as its 9 agent to accept service of process in any such action, suit or proceeding and 10 specifying the address to which a copy of the process shall be mailed to it by 11 the secretary.]

[347.137. 1. A domestic limited liability company shall be dissolved upon the occurrence of any of the following:

3 (1) Upon the happening of the events specified in the operating 4 agreement or in the articles of organization; 5

(2) Upon the written consent of all members;

(3) Except as otherwise provided in the operating agreement, an event of withdrawal of a member, if a majority, by number, of the remaining members agree within ninety days after the occurrence of the event of withdrawal to dissolve the limited liability company;

10 (4) At any time there are no members; provided, that the limited 11 liability company is not dissolved and is not required to be wound up if:

12 (a) Unless otherwise provided in the operating agreement, within 13 ninety days or such other period as is provided for in the operating agreement 14 after the occurrence of the event that terminated the continued membership of 15 the last remaining member, the personal representative, statutory or otherwise, 16 of the last remaining member agrees in writing to continue the limited liability 17 company and to the admission of such personal representative of such member 18 or its nominee or designee to the limited liability company as a member, 19 effective as of the occurrence of the event that terminated the continued 20 membership of the last remaining member; provided, that the operating 21 agreement may provide that the personal representative, statutory or otherwise, 22 of the last remaining member shall be obligated to agree in writing to continue 23 the limited liability company and to the admission of such personal 24 representative of such member or its nominee or designee to the limited 25 liability company as a member, effective as of the occurrence of the event that 26 terminated the continued membership of the last remaining member; or

27 (b) A member is admitted to the limited liability company in the 28 manner provided for in the operating agreement, effective as of the occurrence 29 of the event that terminated the continued membership of the last remaining 30 member, within ninety days or such other period as is provided for in the 31 limited liability company agreement after the occurrence of the event that 32 terminated the continued membership of the last remaining member, under a 33 provision of the operating agreement that specifically provides for the

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- admission of a member to the limited liability company after there is no longer
   a remaining member of the limited liability company;
  - (5) Entry of a decree of dissolution under section 347.143; or
  - (6) When the limited liability company is not the surviving entity in a merger or consolidation.

39 2. As soon as possible following the occurrence of any of the events
40 specified in subdivisions (1) to (5) of subsection 1 of this section effecting the
41 dissolution of the limited liability company, the limited liability company shall
42 file a notice of winding up with the secretary which discloses the dissolution of
43 the limited liability company and the commencement of winding up of its
44 business and affairs.]

- [347.139. 1. Upon the dissolution of a limited liability company, the limited liability company shall cease to carry on its business, except insofar as may be necessary or appropriate for the winding up of its business, but its separate existence shall continue until articles of termination have been filed with the secretary or until a decree terminating the limited liability company has been entered by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- After its dissolution, the limited liability company shall do all other
   acts required to liquidate its business and affairs; proceed to collect its assets;
   pay, satisfy, or discharge its liabilities and obligations or make adequate
   provisions for the payment or discharge thereof; convey and dispose of such of
   its properties which are not to be distributed in kind to its members; and its
   assets shall be applied and distributed in the following order:
- (1) If there are sufficient assets therefor, to creditors, including
   members who are creditors, to the extent permitted by law, in satisfaction of
   liabilities of the limited liability company other than liabilities for distributions
   to members under section 347.101 or 347.103. If there are insufficient assets,
   such claims and obligations shall be paid or provided for according to their
   priority and, among claims and obligations of equal priority, ratably to the
   extent of assets available therefor;
   Except as provided in the operating agreement, to members and
  - (2) Except as provided in the operating agreement, to members and former members in satisfaction of liabilities for distributions under section 347.101 or 347.103; and

23 (3) Except as provided in the operating agreement, to the members in
 24 the manner provided in section 347.101.

25 3. Upon the filing of the articles of termination as provided in section 26 347.045, the existence of the limited liability company shall cease, except for 27 the purpose of suits, other proceedings and appropriate action as provided in 28 sections 347.010 to 347.187. The authorized person or authorized persons at 29 the time of termination, or the survivors of them or, if none, the members at the 30 time of termination shall thereafter be trustees for the members and creditors 31 of the terminated limited liability company and as such shall have authority to 32 distribute or convey any of the limited liability company's assets or its property 33 discovered after termination, and to take such other action as may be necessary 34 on behalf of and in the name of such terminated limited liability company. 35 Except as provided in section 347.141, actions by or against the dissolved 36 limited liability company brought for the purpose of collecting or settling

assets or liabilities or claims discovered after termination may be brought or
 instituted in the name of the limited liability company.

[347.141. 1. A dissolved limited liability company may dispose of the 2 known claims against it in accordance with subsections 1 and 2 of this section. 3 The dissolved limited liability company shall notify its known claimants in 4 writing of the dissolution at any time after its effective date. The written 5 notice must do all of the following: 6 (1) Describe information that must be included in a claim; 7 (2) Provide a mailing address where a claim may be sent; 8 (3) State the deadline, which may not be fewer than ninety days from 9 the effective date of the written notice, by which the dissolved limited liability 10 company must receive the claim; and 11 (4) State that the claim will be barred if not received by the deadline. 12 Notwithstanding other provisions of law, including laws regarding 13 permissibility of third-party claims, to the contrary, a claim against a limited 14 liability company dissolved without fraudulent intent is barred if either of the 15 following occurs: 16 (1) A claimant who was given written notice under subsection 1 of this 17 section does not deliver the claim to the dissolved limited liability company by 18 the deadline; or 19 (2) A claimant whose claim was rejected by the dissolved limited 20 liability company does not commence a proceeding to enforce the claim within 21 one hundred and twenty days from the effective date of the rejection notice. 22 23 For purposes of this subsection, "claim" does not include a contingent liability 24 or a claim based on an event occurring after the effective date of dissolution. 25 3. A dissolved limited liability company may dispose of the unknown 26 claims against it by filing a notice of winding up in accordance with 27 subsections 3 and 4 of this section. The notice of winding up shall meet all of 28 the following requirements: 29 (1) Be published one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the 30 county where the dissolved limited liability company's principal office, or if 31 not in this state, its registered office, is or was located; 32 (2) Be published one time in a publication of statewide circulation 33 whose audience is primarily persons engaged in the practice of law in this state 34 and which is published not less than four times per year; 35 (3) Be published one time in the Missouri Register; 36 (4) Contain a request that persons with claims against the limited 37 liability company present them in accordance with the notice of winding up; 38 (5) Describe the information that must be included in a claim and 39 provide a mailing address where the claim may be sent; and 40 (6) State that a claim against the limited liability company will be 41 barred unless a proceeding to enforce the claim is commenced within three 42 years after the publication of the notice. 43 4. Notwithstanding other provisions of law, including laws regarding 44 permissibility of third-party claims, to the contrary, if a limited liability company dissolved without fraudulent intent files a notice of winding up in 45

46	accordance with subsection 2 of section 347.137 and publishes such notice in
47	accordance with subsection 3 of this section, the claim of each of the following
48	claimants is barred unless the claimant commences a proceeding to enforce the
49	claim against the dissolved limited liability company within three years after
50	the date the notice of winding up is filed or published, whichever occurs later:
51	(1) A claimant who did not receive written notice under subsection 1
52	of this section;
53	(2) A claimant whose claim was timely sent to the dissolved limited
55 54	liability company but not acted on; or
55	(3) A claimant whose claim is contingent or based on an event
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50 57	occurring after the effective date of dissolution.
	5. A claim may be enforced under this section in either of the
58	following ways:
59	(1) Against the dissolved limited liability company, to the extent of its
60	undistributed assets; or
61	(2) If the assets have been distributed in liquidation, against a member
62	of the dissolved limited liability company to the extent of the member's pro
63	rata share of the claim or the limited liability company assets distributed to the
64	member in liquidation, whichever is less, but a member's total liability for all
65	claims under this section shall not exceed the total amount of assets distributed
66	to the member in liquidation.
67	6. For purposes of this section, "fraudulent intent" shall be established
68	if it is shown that the sole or primary purpose of the dissolution was to defraud
69	members, creditors or others.
70	7. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary,
71	except as provided in subsection 8 of this section, a claim against a limited
72	liability company dissolved pursuant to this chapter for which claim the
73	limited liability company has a contract of insurance which will indemnify the
74	limited liability company for any adverse result from such claim:
75	(1) Is not subject to the provisions of subsections 1 to 6 of this section
7 <i>5</i> 76	and may not be barred by compliance with subsections 1 to 6 of this section;
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78	(2) May be asserted at any time within the statutory period otherwise
	provided by law for such claims;
79	(3) May be asserted against, and service of process had upon, the
80	dissolved limited liability company for whom the court, at the request of the
81	party bringing the suit, shall appoint a defendant ad litem.
82	8. Judgments obtained in suits filed and prosecuted pursuant to
83	subsection 7 of this section shall only be enforceable against one or more
84	contracts of insurance issued to the limited liability company, its officers,
85	directors, agents, servants or employees, indemnifying them, or any of them,
86	against such claims.]
	[347.143. 1. A limited liability company may be dissolved
2	involuntarily by a decree of the circuit court for the county in which the
3	registered office of the limited liability company is situated in an action filed
4	by the attorney general when it is established that the limited liability
5	<del>company:</del>
6	(1) Has procured its articles of organization through fraud;

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- (2) Has exceeded or abused the authority conferred upon it by law;
- (3) Has carried on, conducted, or transacted its business in a fraudulent or illegal manner; or
- 10 (4) By the abuse of its powers contrary to the public policy of the state,
   11 has become liable to be dissolved.
- 2. On application by or for a member, the circuit court for the county
   in which the registered office of the limited liability company is located may
   decree dissolution of a limited liability company whenever it is not reasonably
   practicable to carry on the business in conformity with the operating
   agreement.

[347.145. 1. Every action for the involuntary dissolution of a limited liability company brought by the attorney general shall be commenced either in the circuit court of the county in which the registered office of the limited liability company is located or, if no such address is on file with the secretary, in the circuit court of Cole County. Summons shall issue and be served as in other civil actions.

7 2. If process is returned "not found", the attorney general shall cause 8 publication to be made as in other civil cases in a newspaper of general 9 circulation in the county where the registered office of the limited liability 10 company is located, containing a notice of the pendency of the action, the title 11 of the court, the title of the action, and the date on or after which default may 12 be entered. The attorney general may include in one notice the names of any 13 number of limited liability companies against which actions are then pending 14 in the same court. The attorney general shall cause a copy of such notice to be 15 mailed to the registered agent of the limited liability company as shown on the 16 records of the secretary within ten days after the first publication thereof.

The certificate of the attorney general of the mailing of the notice
shall be prima facie evidence of such notice. Such notice shall be published at
least once a week for two successive weeks, and the first publication may
begin at any time after the summons has been returned. Unless a limited
liability company has been served with summons, no default shall be taken
against it earlier than thirty days after the first publication of the notice.

[347.147. Unless otherwise provided in the operating agreement, upon 2 the dissolution of the limited liability company, the member or members who 3 have not wrongfully dissolved the limited liability company or the legal 4 representative of the last surviving member, not bankrupt, have, if 5 management is vested in the members, the right to wind up the limited 6 liability company affairs or, if management is vested in one or more managers, 7 the right to authorize such manager or managers to undertake any act 8 appropriate for winding up the affairs of the limited liability company or 9 completing transactions unfinished at dissolution, except that any member, his 10 legal representative or his assignee, upon cause shown, may obtain winding up 11 by the court.]

- [347.149. The court shall have full power to liquidate the assets and business of a limited liability company:
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3	(1) In an action by a creditor, after dissolution of the limited liability
4	company, when the claim of the creditor has been reduced to judgment and an
5	execution thereon returned unsatisfied and it is established that the limited
6	liability company is insolvent;
7	(2) Upon application by a limited liability company, or for cause
8	shown, by a member, after dissolution, to have its liquidation continued under
9	the supervision of the court;
10	(3) In an action filed by the attorney general after the issuance of a
11	decree of dissolution for any of the causes provided in subsection 1 of section
12	<del>347.143; or</del>
13	(4) In an action filed by any member after the issuance of a decree of
14	dissolution as provided in subsection 2 of section 347.143.]
17	dissolution as provided in subsection 2 of section 547.145.
	[347.151. Subject to the constitution of this state:
2	(1) The laws of the state or other jurisdiction under which a foreign
$\frac{2}{3}$	limited liability company is organized govern its organization and internal
4	affairs and the liability of its members; and
5	(2) A foreign limited liability company may not be denied registration
6	by reason of any difference between those laws and the laws of this state.
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	[347.153. 1. Before transacting business in this state, a foreign limited
2	liability company shall register in a format prescribed by the secretary unless
$\frac{2}{3}$	otherwise exempt under subdivision (5) of subsection 5 of section 347.163. In
4	order to register, a foreign limited liability company shall pay the required
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6	filing fee and shall submit to the secretary an application for registration as a foreign limited lightlity company signed on its headlef by a manager member
	foreign limited liability company signed on its behalf by a manager, member
7	or other authorized agent and setting forth:
8	(1) The name of the foreign limited liability company and, if different,
9	the name under which it proposes to register and transact business in this state;
10	(2) The jurisdiction in which it was formed and date of its formation;
11	(3) The purpose of the foreign limited liability company or the general
12	character of the business it proposes to transact in this state;
13	(4) The name and physical address of its registered agent and
14	registered office in this state, which office and agent shall be subject to the
15	same rights and limitations as provided in sections 347.030 and 347.033;
16	(5) A statement that the secretary is appointed the agent of the foreign
17	limited liability company for service of process if the limited liability company
18	fails to maintain a registered agent in this state or if the agent cannot be found
19	or served with the exercise of reasonable diligence;
20	(6) The address of the office required to be maintained in the
21	jurisdiction of its organization by the laws of that jurisdiction or, if not so
22	required, of the principal office of the foreign limited liability company;
23	(7) A certificate of existence or a document of similar import duly
24	authenticated by the secretary of state or other official having custody of the
25	records in the state or country under whose laws it is registered; and
26	(8) A current certificate of good standing/existence from the secretary
27	of state's office in the state of domicile, such document should be dated within
28	sixty calendar days from filing.
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29 30 31 32	2. The information provided by the foreign limited liability company under subdivisions (1) through (8) of subsection 1 of this section shall also be provided for each separate series of the limited liability company authorized to operate under section 347.186.]
2 3 4 5 6 7 8	[347.155. If the secretary finds that an application for registration conforms to law and all requisite fees have been paid: (1) The secretary shall endorse on the accepted application the word "Filed", and the month, day and year of the filing thereof; and (2) The accepted filing shall be retained in the secretary of state's records and a copy of the accepted filing and certificate of registration shall be returned to the person who submitted the document or that person's representative.]
2 3 4	[347.157. A foreign limited liability company may register with the secretary under any name, whether or not it is the name under which it is registered in its jurisdiction of organization, that could be registered by a domestic limited liability company.]
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12	[347.160. 1. A foreign limited liability company authorized to transact business in the state shall obtain an amended certificate of registration from the secretary of state if it changes: (1) The name of the limited liability company; (2) The state or country of its registration. 2. The amendment shall include a certificate of existence or document of similar import duly authenticated by the secretary of state or other official having custody of the records in the state or country under whose laws it is registered, such document should be dated within sixty calendar days from filing for acceptance. 3. The fee for filing an amended certificate of registration shall be twenty dollars.]
2 3 4 5 6	[347.161. A foreign limited liability company may cancel its registration by filing with the secretary articles of cancellation signed on its behalf by a manager, member or other authorized agent. A cancellation does not terminate the authority of the secretary to accept service of process on the foreign limited liability company with respect to causes of action arising out of the transactions of business in this state.]
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	[347.163. 1. Every foreign limited liability company now transacting business in or which may hereafter transact business in this state which shall neglect or fail to comply with the provisions of section 347.153 shall be subject to a fine of not less than one thousand dollars. If the secretary is advised that a foreign limited liability company is transacting business within this state in contravention of sections 347.010 to 347.187, the secretary shall report the fact to the prosecuting attorney of any county in which the limited liability company is transacting business, and the prosecuting attorney shall, as soon thereafter as is practical, institute proceedings to recover the fine

10 prescribed in this section. In addition to such penalty, no foreign limited liability company failing to comply with sections 347.010 to 347.187 may 11 12 maintain any suit or action, either legal or equitable, in any of the courts of this 13 state, upon any demand, whether arising out of contract or tort, while the requirements of sections 347.010 to 347.187 have not been met. 14 15 2. The failure of a foreign limited liability company to register in this 16 state does not impair the validity of any contract or act of the foreign limited 17 liability company or prevent the foreign limited liability company from 18 defending any action, suit or proceeding in any court of this state. 19 3. A member of a foreign limited liability company is not liable for 20 any debts, obligations or liabilities of the foreign limited liability company 21 solely by reason of having transacted business in this state without registration. 22 4. A foreign limited liability company, by transacting business in this 23 state without registration, shall be subject to the provisions of sections 506.500 24 to 506.520 with respect to causes of actions arising out of the transaction of 25 business in this state. 26 5. Without excluding other activities which may not constitute 27 transacting business in this state, a foreign limited liability company shall not 28 be considered to be transacting business in this state, for purposes of sections 29 347.010 to 347.187, by reason of carrying on in this state any one or more of 30 the following activities: 31 (1) Maintaining or defending any action or suit or any administrative 32 or arbitration proceeding, or effecting the settlement thereof or the settlement 33 of claims or disputes; 34 (2) Holding meetings of its members or carrying on other activities 35 concerning its internal affairs; 36 (3) Maintaining bank accounts; 37 (4) Borrowing money or creating evidence of debt, mortgage or lien 38 on or other security interest in real or personal property; 39 (5) Securing or collecting debts or enforcing any rights in properties 40 securing the same; 41 (6) Transacting any business in interstate commerce; or 42 (7) Conducting an isolated transaction completed within a period of 43 thirty days and not in the course of a number of repeated transactions of a like 44 nature. 45 6. A foreign corporation, as defined in section 351.015 or section 46 355.066, shall not be deemed to be transacting business in this state for the 47 purposes of section 351.572 solely for the reason that it is a member of a 48 limited liability company. 49 7. A foreign limited partnership or foreign registered limited liability 50 limited partnership, as defined in section 359.011, shall not be deemed to be 51 transacting business in this state for the purposes of section 359.551 solely for 52 the reason that it is a member of a limited liability company. 53 8. A foreign limited liability company as defined in sections 347.010 54 to 347.187 shall not be deemed to be transacting business in this state for the 55 purposes of this section, solely for the reason that it is a member of a limited 56 liability company.

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57 58 59 60	9. A foreign registered limited liability partnership, as defined in section 358.020, shall not be deemed to be transacting business in this state for the purposes of section 351.572 solely for the reason that it is a member of a limited liability company.	
61 62 63 64	10. The provisions of this section do not apply in determining the context or activities which may subject a foreign limited liability company to service of process, suit, taxation or regulation under any other statute of this state.]	
2 3	[347.165. The secretary may bring an action to restrain a foreign limited liability company from transacting business in this state in violation of sections 347.010 to 347.187.]	
2 3	[347.167. Service on a foreign limited liability company shall be as provided in section 347.033. Venue of actions against foreign limited liability companies shall be as provided in section 347.069.]	
2 3 4 5	[347.169. Execution of an application or a certificate by a foreign limited liability company constitutes an affirmation by the person who signed it under the penalties set out in section 575.040 that the facts stated therein are true and that the person so signing has the authority to execute such application or certificate.]	
2 3	[347.171. A member may bring an action in the right of the limited liability company to recover a judgment in its favor if all of the following conditions are met:	
4 5 6	(1) The plaintiff does not have the authority under the provisions of the operating agreement to cause the limited liability company to sue in its own right;	
7 8 9 10	(2) The plaintiff has made demand on the authorized person or persons having the authority to cause the limited liability company to institute such action requesting that such persons cause the limited liability company to sue in its own right;	
11 12 13	(3) The persons with such authority have refused to bring the action or, after adequate time to consider the demand, have failed to respond to such demand; and	
14 15 16 17	(4) The plaintiff is a member of the limited liability company at the time of bringing the action, and was a member of the limited liability company at the time of the transaction of which he complains, or his status as a member of the limited liability company thereafter devolved upon him by operation of	
18 19	law or pursuant to the terms of the operating agreement from a person who was a member at such time.] [347.173. In a derivative action, the complaint shall set forth with	
2 3	particularity the effort of the plaintiff to secure initiation of the action by the persons who would otherwise have the authority to cause the limited liability	
Δ	company to sue in its own right]	

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	[347.175. If a derivative action is successful, in whole or in part, or if
2	anything is received by the plaintiff as a result of a judgment, compromise or
3	settlement of an action or claim, the court may award the plaintiff reasonable
4	expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, and shall direct him to remit to
5	the limited liability company the remainder of those proceeds received by
6	him.]
•	[347.177. 1. Sections 347.010 to 347.187 shall be so applied and
2	construed to effectuate its general purpose to make uniform the law with
3	respect to the subject of sections 347.010 to 347.187 among the states enacting
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5	2. The rule that statutes in derogation of the common law are to be
6	strictly construed shall have no application to sections 347.010 to 347.187.
7	3. The law of estopped shall apply to sections 347.010 to 347.187.
8	4. The law of agency shall apply under sections 347.010 to 347.187.
9	5. In any case not provided for in sections 347.010 to 347.187, the
10	rules of law and equity shall govern.
11	6. Sections 347.010 to 347.187 shall not be construed so as to impair the chligations of any contract quicting on August 28, 1002, non to effort any
12 13	the obligations of any contract existing on August 28, 1993, nor to affect any
15	action or proceedings begun or right accrued prior to August 28, 1993.]
	[347.179. 1. The secretary shall charge and collect:
2	(1) For filing the original articles of organization, a fee of one hundred
$\frac{1}{3}$	dollars:
4	(2) For filing the original articles of organization online, in an
5	electronic format prescribed by the secretary of state, a fee of forty-five
6	dollars;
7	(3) Applications for registration of foreign limited liability companies
8	and issuance of a certificate of registration to transact business in this state, a
9	fee of one hundred dollars;
10	(4) Amendments to and restatements of articles of limited liability
11	companies to application for registration of a foreign limited liability company
12	or any other filing otherwise provided for, a fee of twenty dollars;
13	(5) Articles of termination of limited liability companies or
14	cancellation of registration of foreign limited liability companies, a fee of
15	twenty dollars;
16	(6) For filing notice of merger or consolidation, a fee of twenty
17	dollars;
18	(7) For filing a notice of winding up, a fee of twenty dollars;
19	(8) For issuing a certificate of good standing, a fee of five dollars;
20	(9) For a notice of the abandonment of merger or consolidation, a fee
21	of twenty dollars;
22	(10) For furnishing a copy of any document or instrument, a fee of
23	fifty cents per page;
24	(11) For accepting an application for reservation of a name, or for
25	filing a notice of the transfer or cancellation of any name reservation, a fee of
26	twenty dollars;

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27 (12) For filing a statement of change of address of registered office or
 28 registered agent, or both, a fee of five dollars;
 29 (13) For any service of notice, demand, or process upon the secretary

(13) For any service of notice, demand, or process upon the secretary as resident agent of a limited liability company, a fee of twenty dollars, which amount may be recovered as taxable costs by the party instituting such suit, action, or proceeding causing such service to be made if such party prevails therein;

(14) For filing an amended certificate of registration a fee of twenty dollars; and

(15) For filing a statement of correction a fee of five dollars.

2. Fees mandated in subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection 1 of this
section and for application for reservation of a name in subdivision (11) of
subsection 1 of this section shall be waived if an organizer who is listed as a
member in the operating agreement of the limited liability company is a
member of the Missouri National Guard or any other active duty military,
resides in the state of Missouri, and provides proof of such service to the
secretary of state.]

[347.181. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the provisions of sections 347.010 to 347.187 shall apply to commerce with foreign nations and among the several states for all purposes including the determination of the nature and extent of the rights and obligations of a limited liability company organized hereunder and the liability of its members and managers.]

[347.183. In addition to the other powers of the secretary established in sections 347.010 to 347.187, the secretary shall, as is reasonably necessary to enable the secretary to administer sections 347.010 to 347.187 efficiently and to perform the secretary's duties, have the following powers including, but not limited to:

6 (1) The power to examine the books and records of any limited 7 liability company to which sections 347.010 to 347.187 apply, and it shall be 8 the duty of any manager, member or agent of such limited liability company 9 having possession or control of such books and records to produce such books 10 and records for examination on demand of the secretary or his designated employee; except that no person shall be subject to any criminal prosecution 11 12 on account of any matter or thing which may be disclosed by examination of 13 any limited liability company books and records, which they may produce or 14 exhibit for examination; or on account of any other matter or thing concerning 15 which they may make any voluntary and truthful statement in writing to the 16 secretary or his designated employee. All facts obtained in the examination of 17 the books and records of any limited liability company, or through the 18 voluntary sworn statement of any manager, member, agent or employee of any 19 limited liability company, shall be treated as confidential, except insofar as 20 official duty may require the disclosure of same, or when such facts are 21 material to any issue in any legal proceeding in which the secretary or his 22 designated employee may be a party or called as witness, and, if the secretary 23 or his designated employee shall, except as provided in this subdivision, 24 disclose any information relative to the private accounts, affairs, and
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transactions of any such limited liability company, he shall be guilty of a class C misdemeanor. If any manager, member or registered agent in possession or control of such books and records of any such limited liability company shall refuse a demand of the secretary or his designated employee, to exhibit the books and records of such limited liability company for examination, such person shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor;

31 (2) The power to cancel or disapprove any articles of organization or 32 other filing required under sections 347.010 to 347.187, if the limited liability company fails to comply with the provisions of sections 347.010 to 347.187 by 33 34 failing to file required documents under sections 347.010 to 347.187, by 35 failing to maintain a registered agent, by failing to pay the required filing fees, 36 by using fraud or deception in effecting any filing, by filing a required 37 document containing a false statement, or by violating any section or sections 38 of the criminal laws of Missouri, the federal government or any other state of 39 the United States. Thirty days before such cancellation shall take effect, the 40 secretary shall notify the limited liability company with written notice, either 41 personally or by certified mail, deposited in the United States mail in a sealed 42 envelope addressed to such limited liability company's last registered agent in 43 office, or to one of the limited liability company's members or managers. 44 Written notice of the secretary's proposed cancellation to the limited liability 45 company, domestic or foreign, shall specify the reasons for such action. The 46 limited liability company may appeal this notice of proposed cancellation to 47 the circuit court of the county in which the registered office of such limited 48 liability company is or is proposed to be situated by filing with the clerk of 49 such court a petition setting forth a copy of the articles of organization or other 50 relevant documents and a copy of the proposed written cancellation thereof by 51 the secretary, such petition to be filed within thirty days after notice of such 52 eancellation shall have been given, and the matter shall be tried by the court, 53 and the court shall either sustain the action of the secretary or direct him to 54 take such action as the court may deem proper. An appeal from the circuit 55 court in such a case shall be allowed as in eivil action. The limited liability 56 company may provide information to the secretary that would allow the 57 secretary to withdraw the notice of proposed cancellation. This information 58 may consist of, but need not be limited to, corrected statements and documents, new filings, affidavits and certified copies of other filed 59 60 documents;

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(3) The power to rescind cancellation provided for in subdivision (2) of this section upon compliance with either of the following:

(a) The affected limited liability company provides the necessary documents and affidavits indicating the limited liability company has corrected the conditions causing the proposed cancellation or the cancellation; or

67 (b) The limited liability company provides the correct statements or
 68 documentation that the limited liability company is not in violation of any
 69 section of the criminal code; and

70 (4) The power to charge late filing fees for any filing fee required 71 under sections 347.010 to 347.187 and the power to impose civil penalties as provided in section 347.053. Late filing fees shall be assessed at a rate of ten dollars for each thirty day period of delinquency;

(5) (a) The power to administratively cancel an articles of 75 organization if the limited liability company's period of duration stated in 76 articles of organization expires.

77 (b) Not less than thirty days before such administrative cancellation 78 shall take effect, the secretary shall notify the limited liability company with 79 written notice, either personally or by mail. If mailed, the notice shall be 80 deemed delivered five days after it is deposited in the United States mail in a 81 sealed envelope addressed to such limited liability company's last registered 82 agent and office or to one of the limited liability company's managers or 83 members.

84 (c) If the limited liability company does not timely file an articles of 85 amendment in accordance with section 347.041 to extend the duration of the 86 limited liability company, which may be any number of years or perpetual, or 87 demonstrate to the reasonable satisfaction of the secretary that the period of 88 duration determined by the secretary is incorrect, within sixty days after 89 service of the notice is perfected by posting with the United States Postal 90 Service, then the secretary shall cancel the articles of organization by signing 91 an administrative cancellation that recites the grounds for cancellation and its 92 effective date. The secretary shall file the original of the administrative 93 cancellation and serve a copy on the limited liability company as provided in 94 section 347.051.

95 (d) A limited liability company whose articles of organization has 96 been administratively cancelled continues its existence but may not carry on 97 any business except that necessary to wind up and liquidate its business and 98 affairs under section 347.147 and notify claimants under section 347.141.

99 (e) The administrative cancellation of an articles of organization does 100 not terminate the authority of its registered agent.

101 (6) (a) The power to rescind an administrative cancellation and 102 reinstate the articles of organization.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in the operating agreement, a limited liability company whose articles of organization has been administratively cancelled under subdivision (5) of this section may file an articles of amendment in accordance with section 347.041 to extend the duration of the limited liability company, which may be any number or perpetual.

(c) A limited liability company whose articles of organization has been 108 109 administratively cancelled under subdivision (5) of this section may apply to 110 the secretary for reinstatement. The applicant shall:

a. Recite the name of the limited liability company and the effective date of its administrative cancellation;

b. State that the grounds for cancellation either did not exist or have been eliminated, as applicable, and be accompanied by documentation satisfactory to the secretary evidencing the same;

c. State that the limited liability company's name satisfies the 116 117 requirements of section 347.020;

118 d. Be accompanied by a reinstatement fee in the amount of one 119 hundred dollars, or such greater amount as required by state regulation, plus

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any delinquent fees, penalties, and other charges as determined by the
 secretary to then be due.

122 (d) If the secretary determines that the application contains the 123 information and is accompanied by the fees required in paragraph (c) of this 124 subdivision and that the information and fees are correct, the secretary shall 125 rescind the cancellation and prepare a certificate of reinstatement that recites 126 his or her determination and the effective date of reinstatement, file the 127 original articles of organization, and serve a copy on the limited liability 128 company as provided in section 347.051.

(e) When the reinstatement is effective, it shall relate back to and take
 effect as of the effective date of the administrative cancellation of the articles
 of organization and the limited liability company may continue carrying on its
 business as if the administrative cancellation had never occurred.

133(f) In the event the name of the limited liability company was reissued134by the secretary to another entity prior to the time application for reinstatement135was filed, the limited liability company applying for reinstatement may elect to136reinstate using a new name that complies with the requirements of section137347.020 and that has been approved by appropriate action of the limited138liability company for changing the name thereof.

(g) If the secretary denies a limited liability company's application for
 reinstatement following administrative cancellation of the articles of
 organization, he or she shall serve the limited liability company as provided
 in section 347.051 with a written notice that explains the reason or reasons for
 denial.

144 (h) The limited liability company may appeal a denial of reinstatement
 145 as provided for in subdivision (2) of this section.

146(7) Subdivision (6) of this section shall apply to any limited liability147company whose articles of organization was cancelled because such limited148liability company's period of duration stated in the articles of organization149expired on or after August 28, 2003.]

- [347.185. It shall be rebuttably presumed that a member's interest in a
  limited liability company in which management is not vested in one or more
  managers is not a security for purposes of any and all laws of this state
  regulating the sale or exchange of securities.]
- [347.186. 1. An operating agreement may establish or provide for the establishment of a designated series of members, managers, or limited liability company interests having separate rights, powers, or duties with respect to specified property or obligations of the limited liability company or profits and losses associated with specified property or obligations. To the extent provided in the operating agreement, any such series may have a separate business purpose or investment objective.
- 8 2. (1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, the 9 debts, liabilities, and obligations incurred, contracted for, or otherwise existing 10 with respect to a particular series shall be enforceable against the assets of 11 such series only, and not against the assets of the limited liability company 12 generally or any other series thereof. Such particular series shall be deemed to

13	have possession, custody, and control only of the books, records, information,
14	and documentation related to such series and not of the books, records,
15	information, and documentation related to the limited liability company as a
16	whole or any other series thereof if all of the following apply:
17	(a) The operating agreement creates one or more series;
18	(b) Separate and distinct records are maintained for or on behalf of any
19	such series;
20	(c) The assets associated with any such series, whether held directly or
21	indirectly, including through a nominee or otherwise, are accounted for
22	separately from the other assets of the limited liability company or of any other
23	series;
24	(d) The operating agreement provides for the limitations on liabilities
25	of a series described in this subdivision;
26	(c) Notice of the limitation on liabilities of a series described in this
27	subdivision is included in the limited liability company's articles of
28	organization; and
29	(f) The limited liability company has filed articles of organization that
30	separately identify each series which is to have limited liability under this
31	section.
32	(2) With respect to a particular series, unless otherwise provided in the
33	operating agreement, none of the debts, liabilities, obligations, and expenses
34	incurred, contracted for or otherwise existing with respect to a limited liability
35	company generally, or any other series thereof, shall be enforceable against the
36	assets of such series, subject to the provisions of subdivision (1) of this
37	subsection.
38	(3) Compliance with paragraphs (e) and (f) of subdivision (1) of this
39	subsection shall constitute notice of such limitation of liability of a series.
40	(4) A series with limited liability shall be treated as a separate entity to
41	the extent set forth in the articles of organization. Each series with limited
42	liability may, in its own name, contract, hold title to assets, grant security
43	interests, sue and be sued, and otherwise conduct business and exercise the
44	powers of a limited liability company under this chapter. The limited liability
45	company and any of its series may elect to consolidate its operations as a
46	single taxpayer to the extent permitted under applicable law, elect to work
47	cooperatively, elect to contract jointly, or elect to be treated as a single
48	business for the purposes of qualification or authorization to do business in
49	this or any other state. Such elections shall not affect the limitation of liability
50	set forth in this section except to the extent that the series have specifically
51	accepted joint liability by contract.
52	3. Except in the case of a foreign limited liability company that has
53	adopted a name that is not the name under which it is registered in its
54	jurisdiction of organization, as permitted under sections 347.153 and 347.157,
55	the name of the series with limited liability is required to contain the entire
56	name of the limited liability company and be distinguishable from the names
57	of the other series set forth in the articles of organization. In the case of a
58	foreign limited liability company that has adopted a name that is not the name
59	under which it is registered in its jurisdiction of organization, as permitted
60	under sections 347.153 and 347.157, the name of the series with limited
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61 liability must contain the entire name under which the foreign limited liability 62 company has been admitted to transact business in this state.

63 4. (1) (a) Upon filing of articles of organization setting forth the name 64 of each series with limited liability, in compliance with section 347.037 or amendments under section 347.041, the series' existence shall begin. 65

(b) Each copy of the articles of organization stamped "Filed" and marked with the filing date shall be conclusive evidence that all required conditions have been met and that the series has been or shall be legally organized and formed under this section and is notice for all purposes of all other facts required to be set forth therein.

71 (c) The name of a series with limited liability under this section may 72 be changed by filing articles of amendment with the secretary of state pursuant 73 to section 347.041, identifying the series whose name is being changed and the 74 new name of such series. If not the same as the limited liability company, the 75 names of the members of a member managed series or of the managers of a 76 manager-managed series may be changed by an amendment to the articles of 77 organization with the secretary of state.

78 (d) A series with limited liability under this section may be dissolved 79 by filing with the secretary of state articles of amendment pursuant to section 80 347.041 identifying the series being dissolved or by the dissolution of the 81 limited liability company as provided in section 347.045. Except to the extent 82 otherwise provided in the operating agreement, a series may be dissolved and 83 its affairs wound up without causing the dissolution of the limited liability 84 company. The dissolution of a series established in accordance with 85 subsection 2 of this section shall not affect the limitation on liabilities of such 86 series provided by subsection 2 of this section. A series is terminated and its 87 affairs shall be wound up upon the dissolution of the limited liability company 88 under section 347.045.

89 (e) Articles of organization, amendment, or termination described 90 under this subdivision may be executed by the limited liability company or any manager, person, or entity designated in the operating agreement for the 92 limited liability company.

93 (2) If different from the limited liability company, the articles of 94 organization shall list the names of the members for each series if the series is 95 member-managed or the names of the managers if the series is manager-96 managed.

> (3) A series of a limited liability company shall be deemed to be in good standing as long as the limited liability company is in good standing.

99 (4) The registered agent and registered office for the limited liability 100 company appointed under section 347.033 shall serve as the agent and office 101 for service of process for each series in this state.

102 5. (1) An operating agreement may provide for classes or groups of 103 members or managers associated with a series having such relative rights, 104 powers, and duties as an operating agreement may provide and may make 105 provision for the future creation of additional classes or groups of members or 106 managers associated with the series having such relative rights, powers, and 107 duties as may from time to time be established, including rights, powers, and

108duties senior and subordinate to or different from existing classes and groups109of members or managers associated with the series.

110 (2) A series may be managed either by the member or members
 111 associated with the series or by the manager or managers chosen by the
 112 members of such series, as provided in the operating agreement. Unless
 113 otherwise provided in an operating agreement, the management of a series
 114 shall be vested in the members associated with such series.

115 (3) An operating agreement may grant to all or certain identified 116 members or managers, or to a specified class or group of the members or 117 managers associated with a series, the right to vote separately or with all or 118 any class or group of the members or managers associated with the series, on 119 any matter. An operating agreement may provide that any member or class or 120 group of members associated with a series shall have no voting rights or ability 121 to otherwise participate in the management or governance of such series, but 122 any such member or class or group of members are owners of the series.

123 (4) Except as modified in this section, the provisions of this chapter
 124 which are generally applicable to limited liability companies and their
 125 managers, members, and transferees shall be applicable to each particular
 126 series with respect to the operation of such series.

127 (5) Except as otherwise provided in an operating agreement, any event
 128 specified in this chapter or in an operating agreement that causes a manager to
 129 cease to be a manager with respect to a series shall not, in itself, cause such
 130 manager to cease to be a manager of the limited liability company or with
 131 respect to any other series thereof.

132(6) Except as otherwise provided in an operating agreement, any event133specified in this chapter or in an operating agreement that causes a member to134cease to be associated with a series shall not, in itself, cause such member to135cease to be associated with any other series, terminate the continued136membership of a member in the limited liability company, or cause the137termination of the series, regardless of whether such member was the last138remaining member associated with such series.

(7) An operating agreement may impose restrictions, duties, and obligations on members of the limited liability company or any series thereof as a matter of internal governance, including, without limitation, those with regard to:

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(a) Choice of law, forum selection, or consent to personal jurisdiction;

(b) Capital contributions;

145 (c) Restrictions on, or terms and conditions of, the transfer of
 146 membership interests;

(d) Restrictive covenants, including noncompetition, nonsolicitation, and confidentiality provisions;

(e) Fiduciary duties; and

150(f) Restrictions, duties, or obligations to or for the benefit of the151limited liability company, other series thereof, or their affiliates.

152 6. (1) If a limited liability company with the ability to establish series
 153 does not register to do business in a foreign jurisdiction for itself and its series,
 154 a series of a limited liability company may itself register to do business as a

limited liability company in the foreign jurisdiction in accordance with the
 laws of the foreign jurisdiction.

157 (2) If a foreign limited liability company, as permitted in the 158 jurisdiction of its organization, has established a series having separate rights, 159 powers, or duties and has limited the liabilities of such series so that the debts, 160 liabilities, and obligations incurred, contracted for, or otherwise existing with 161 respect to a particular series are enforceable against the assets of such series 162 only, and not against the assets of the limited liability company generally or 163 any other series thereof, or so that the debts, liabilities, obligations, and 164 expenses incurred, contracted for, or otherwise existing with respect to the 165 limited liability company generally or any other series thereof are not 166 enforceable against the assets of such series, then the limited liability 167 company, on behalf of itself or any of its series, or any of its series on its own 168 behalf may register to do business in this state in accordance with this chapter. 169 The limitation of liability shall also be stated on the application for 170 registration. As required under section 347.153, the registration application 171 filed shall identify each series being registered to do business in the state by 172 the limited liability company. Unless otherwise provided in the operating 173 agreement, the debts, liabilities, and obligations incurred, contracted for, or 174 otherwise existing with respect to a particular series of such a foreign limited 175 liability company shall be enforceable against the assets of such series only 176 and not against the assets of the foreign limited liability company generally or 177 any other series thereof, and none of the debts, liabilities, obligations, and 178 expenses incurred, contracted for, or otherwise existing with respect to such a 179 foreign limited liability company generally or any other series thereof shall be 180 enforceable against the assets of such series.

1817. Nothing in sections 347.039, 347.153, or 347.186 shall be construed182to alter existing Missouri statute or common law providing any cause of action183for fraudulent conveyance, including but not limited to chapter 428, or any184relief available under existing law that permits a challenge to limited liability.

[347.187. 1. A limited liability company created pursuant to sections 347.010 to 347.187 or entering the state pursuant to sections 347.010 to 347.187 and its authorized persons, or their equivalent, shall have the duty to withhold and pay such taxes as are imposed by the laws of this state or any political subdivision thereof on a basis consistent with such limited liability company's classification pursuant to Section 7701 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

8 2. Solely for the purposes of chapter 143, chapter 144, and chapter 9 288, a limited liability company and its members shall be classified and treated 10 on a basis consistent with the limited liability company's classification for 11 federal income tax purposes.]

[347.189. Any limited liability company that owns and rents or leases real property, or owns unoccupied real property, located within any home rule with a population of more than four hundred thousand inhabitants which is located in more than one county, shall file with that city's clerk an affidavit listing the name and address of at least one person, who has management HCS SS SCS SBs 3 & 69

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6 control and responsibility for the real property owned and leased or rented by 7 the limited liability company, or owned by the limited liability company and 8 unoccupied.]

[536.303. 1. For any proposed rules that affect small business, the 2 agency shall also submit a small business statement to the board after a public 3 hearing is held. This section shall not apply to emergency rules. The small 4 business statement required by this section shall provide the following 5 information:

6 (1) A description of how the opinions or comments from affected 7 small businesses were solicited; 8

(2) A summary of the public and small business comments;

(3) A summary of the agency's response to those comments; and

10 (4) The number of persons who attended the public hearing, testified at 11 the hearing, and submitted written comments.

12 2. If a request to change the proposed rule was made at the hearing in a 13 way that affected small business, a statement of the reasons for adopting the 14 proposed rule without the requested change shall be included in the small 15 business statement.]

[536.305. 1. There is hereby established the "Small Business Regulatory Fairness Board". The department of economic development shall 2 3 provide staff support for the board. 4 2. The board shall be composed of nine members appointed in the

following manner:

- (1) One member who is the chair of the minority business advocacy commission;
  - (2) One member appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate;

(3) One member appointed by the minority leader of the senate;

- 10 (4) One member appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;
  - (5) One member appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives; and

(6) Four members appointed by the governor.

3. Each member of the board, except for the public members and the 16 chair of the minority business advocacy commission, shall be a current or 17 former owner or officer of a small business. All members of the board shall 18 represent a variety of small businesses, both rural and urban, and be from a 19 variety of geographical areas of this state, provided that no more than two 20 members shall represent the same type of small business.

21 4. Members of the board shall serve a term of three years and may be 22 reappointed at the conclusion of the term. No member shall serve more than 23 three consecutive terms. Appointments shall be made so that one-third of the 24 membership of the board shall terminate each year. The governor shall 25 appoint the initial chairperson of the board and a majority of the board shall 26 elect subsequent chairpersons. The chairperson shall serve as chair for a term 27 of not more than two years.

28 5. Members of the board shall serve without compensation, but may be 29 reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses relating to their performance of duties, according to the rules and regulations of travel 31 issued by the office of administration. Members will be required to submit an 32 expense account form in order to obtain reimbursement for expenses incurred.

33 6. The board shall meet as often as necessary, as determined by the 34 chairperson of the board. All meetings of the board will be conducted in 35 accordance with the governmental bodies and records act, chapter 610, 36 including closed sessions. Notice will be posted and will be provided to the 37 joint committee on administrative rules. Minutes of the meetings shall be 38 provided to all members, the office of the governor, and the joint committee on 39 administrative rules.

40 7. In addition to any other powers provided by sections 536.300 to 41 536.328, the board may adopt any rules necessary to implement sections 536.300 to 536.328 and take any action necessary to effectuate the purposes of 42 43 sections 536.300 to 536.328. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is 44 defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this 45 section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of 46 the provisions of this chapter and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section 47 and this chapter are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the 48 general assembly pursuant to this chapter to review, to delay the effective date, 49 or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then 50 the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after 51 August 28, 2005, shall be invalid and void.]

[536.310. 1. The board shall:

2 (1) Provide state agencies with input regarding rules that adversely 3 affect small businesses;

4 (2) Solicit input and conduct hearings from small business owners and 5 state agencies regarding any rules proposed by a state agency; and

(3) Provide an evaluation report to the governor and the general assembly, including any recommendations and evaluations of state agencies regarding regulatory fairness for Missouri's small businesses. The report shall include comments from small businesses, state agency responses, and a summary of any public testimony on rules brought before the board for consideration.

2. In any inquiry conducted by the board because of a request from a small business owner, the board may make recommendations to the state agency. If the board makes recommendations, such recommendations shall be based on any of the following grounds:

(1) The rule creates an undue barrier to the formation, operation, and expansion of small businesses in a manner that significantly outweighs the rule's benefits to the public; or

19 (2) New or significant economic information indicates the proposed 20 rule would create an undue impact on small businesses; or

21 (3) Technology, economic conditions, or other relevant factors 22 justifying the purpose for the rule has changed or no longer exists; or

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23	(4) If the rule was adopted after August 28, 2004, whether the actual
24	effect on small businesses was not reflected in or significantly exceeded the
25	small business impact statement submitted prior to the adoption of the rules.
26	3. Subject to appropriations, by a majority vote of the board, the board
27	may hire a one half full time equivalent employee for clerical support and a
28	full-time equivalent employee with total salaries funded from the department
29	of economic development appropriations up to one hundred fifty thousand
30	dollars adjusted annually for inflation for professional positions to:
31	(1) Conduct internet website additions, corrections, and deletions;
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33	(3) Send regulatory alerts to interested small business subscribers;
34	(4) Track small business comments regarding agencies and review and
35	respond to the agency and small business accordingly;
36	(5) Prepare for board meetings and hearings, including outreach,
37	travel, agendas, and minutes;
38	(6) Prepare member maintenance expense reports and appointments;
39	(7) Analyze small business impact statements. After such analysis, the
40	employee shall review such statements, offer suggestions, and work with
41	agencies to meet the statute requirements;
42	(8) Analyze biannual report reviews;
43	(9) Conduct agency correspondence and training;
44	(10) Conduct small business outreach by speaking at chamber and
45	association events;
46	(11) Review the Missouri Register and other sources to look for
47	proposed rules that may affect small business.
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	4. Subject to appropriations, the board may receive additional funds
49 50	for:
50	(1) Upkeep of its internet website;
51	(2) Information technology;
52	(3) Mileage for board members;
53	(4) Publication, printing, and distribution of annual reports;
54	(5) Outreach costs; and
55	(6) Expenses and equipment for the one and one-half full-time
56	equivalent employee of the board.
57	5. A majority vote of the board members shall be required for the
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2	[536.323. 1. In addition to the basis for filing a petition provided in
2	section 536.041, any affected small business may file a written petition with
3	the agency that has adopted rules objecting to all or part of any rule affecting
4	small business on any of the following grounds:
5	(1) The actual effect on small business was not reflected in or
6	significantly exceeded the small business impact statement submitted prior to
7	the adoption of the rules;
8	(2) The small business impact statement did not consider new or
9	significant economic information that reveals an undue impact on small
10	business; or
11	(3) The impacts were not previously considered at the public hearing
12	on the rules.
13	2. For any rule adopted prior to August 28, 2005, an affected small
14	business may file a written petition with the agency that adopted the rule
15	objecting to all or part of any rule affecting small business on any of the
16	following grounds:
17	(1) The rule creates an undue barrier to the formation, operation, and
18	expansion of small businesses in a manner that significantly outweighs the
19	rule's benefit to the public;
20	(2) The rule duplicates, overlaps, or conflicts with rules adopted by the
21	agency or any other agency or violates the substantive authority under which
22	the rule was adopted; or
23	(3) The technology, economic conditions, or other relevant factors
24	justifying the purpose for the rule has changed or no longer exist.
25	3. Upon submission of the petition, the agency shall forward a copy of
26	the petition to the board and the joint committee on administrative rules, as
27	required by section 536.041, as notification of a petition filed under sections
28	536.300 to 536.328. The agency shall promptly consider the petition and may
29	seek advice and counsel regarding the petition. Within sixty days after the
30	receipt of the petition, the agency shall determine whether the impact
31	statement or public hearing addressed the actual and significant impact on
32	small business. The agency shall submit a written response of the agency's
33	determination to the board within sixty days of the receipt of the petition. If
34	the agency determines that the petition merits the adoption, amendment, or
35	repeal of a rule, it may initiate proceedings in accordance with the applicable
36	requirements of this chapter.
37	4. If the agency determines that the petition does not merit the
38	adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule, any affected small business may
39	seek a review of the decision by the board. The board may convene a hearing
40	or by other means solicit testimony that will assist in its determination of
41	whether to recommend that the agency initiate proceedings in accordance with
42	this chapter. For rules adopted after August 28, 2005, the board shall base its
43	recommendations on any of the following reasons:
44	(1) The actual effect on small business was not reflected in or
45	significantly exceeded the impact statement submitted prior to the adoption of
46	the rule;
47	(2) The impact statement did not consider new or significant economic
48	information that reveals an undue impact on small business;

- 49 (3) Such impacts were not previously considered by the agency; or 50 (4) Such impacts were not previously considered at the public hearing 51 on the rules. 52 5. For rules adopted prior to August 28, 2005, the board shall base its 53 recommendations on any of the following reasons: 54 (1) The rules created an undue barrier to the formation, operation, and 55 expansion of small businesses in a manner that significantly outweighs its 56 benefit to the public; 57 (2) The rules duplicate, overlap, or conflict with rules adopted by the 58 agency or any other agency or violate the substantive authority under which 59 the rules were adopted; or 60 (3) The technology, economic conditions, or other relevant factors justifying the purpose for the rules have changed or no longer exist. 61 62 6. The board shall make an evaluation report to the governor and the 63 general assembly on rulemaking proceedings, comments from small business, 64 and agency response as provided in this section. The governor or general 65 assembly may subsequently take such action in response to the evaluation 66 report and agency response as they find appropriate.] [536.325. 1. The board shall provide to the head of each agency a list 2 of any rules adopted by the agency that affect small business and have 3 generated complaints or concerns, including any rules that the board 4 determines may duplicate, overlap, or conflict with other rules or exceed 5 statutory authority. Within forty-five days after being notified by the board the 6 list of rules adopted, the agency shall submit a written report to the board in 7 response to the complaints or concerns. The agency shall also state whether 8 the agency has considered the continued need for the rules and the degree to 9 which technology, economic conditions, and other relevant factors may have 10 diminished or eliminated the need for maintaining the rules. 11 2. The board may solicit testimony from the public at a public meeting 12 regarding any report submitted by the agency under this section or section 13 536.175. The board shall electronically submit an evaluation report to the 14 governor and the general assembly regarding small business comments, 15 agency response, and public testimony on rules in this section and the report shall be maintained on the board's website. The governor and the general 16 17 assembly may take such action in response to the report as they find 18 appropriate.] [536.328. For any regulation subject to sections 536.300 to 536.328, a 2 small business that is adversely affected or aggrieved by final agency action is 3 entitled to judicial review of agency compliance with the requirements of 4 sections 536.300 to 536.328. Judicial review shall be commenced in the 5 circuit court of the county in which the small business has its primary place of 6 business, or in Cole County. If the small business does not have a primary 7 place of business in the state, proper venue shall be in Cole County. 8 Notwithstanding any provisions of this chapter to the contrary, an affected
- Notwitnstancing any provisions of this chapter to the contrary, an affected
  small business may seek such judicial review during the period beginning on
  the date the proposed rule becomes final and ending one year later.]

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Section B. The enactment of section 407.205 of this act shall become effective on 2 July 1, 2024.

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