STATE OF WYOMING

SENATE FILE NO. SF0116

Anti-money laundering.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Nethercott, Anderson, Boner, Crago, Crum, Dockstader and Olsen and Representative(s) Davis, Heiner and Washut

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; creating the 2 offenses of money laundering and illegal investments; 3 providing definitions; providing penalties; and providing for an effective date. 4 5 б Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming: 7 8 **Section 1.** W.S. 6-3-1101 and 6-3-1102 are created to 9 read: 10 11 ARTICLE 11 12 MONEY LAUNDERING AND ILLEGAL INVESTMENT 13 14 6-3-1101. Money laundering; penalties. 15

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1 (a) As used in this section: 2 3 (i) "Derived from" means obtained directly or 4 indirectly from, maintained by or realized through; 5 б (ii) "Property" means anything of value, including real estate, tangible and intangible personal 7 8 property, trade secrets, contract rights, choses in action and other interests in or claims to wealth, admission or 9 10 transportation tickets, captured or domestic animals, food 11 and drink, electric, gas, steam or other power, financial 12 instruments, information, data and computer software, in either human readable or computer readable form, copies or 13 originals, and includes any benefit or interest without 14 15 reduction for expenses incurred for acquisition, 16 maintenance or any other purpose. 17 (b) A person is guilty of a money laundering if the 18 19 person:

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(i) Transports or possesses property the person knows or reasonably should know to be derived from criminal activity;

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1 2 (ii) Directs, organizes, finances, plans, 3 manages, supervises or controls the transportation of or 4 transactions in property he knows or reasonably should know to be derived from criminal activity; or 5 б 7 (iii) Engages in a transaction involving 8 property the person knows or reasonably should know to be 9 derived from criminal activity: 10 11 (A) With the intent to facilitate or 12 promote the criminal activity; or 13 14 (B) Knowing that the transaction is designed, in whole or in part: 15 16 17 (I) To conceal or disguise the nature, location, source, ownership or control of the property 18 19 derived from criminal activity; or 20 21 (II) To avoid a transaction reporting requirement under the laws of this state, any other state 22 or of the United States. The transaction or transactions 23

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need not exceed the transaction reporting threshold at any 1 2 single financial institution on any single day in order to 3 constitute a violation of this subdivision. 4 5 (c) For purposes of this article, property is known to be derived from criminal activity if the person knows or 6 reasonably should know that the property represents 7 8 proceeds from some form of criminal activity. 9 10 (d) Money laundering is a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than ten (10) years, a fine of 11 12 not more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), or both. 13 14 6-3-1102. Illegal investment; penalties. 15 16 (a) A person is guilty of illegal investment if, with 17 the intent to evade a transaction reporting requirement of this state or of 31 U.S.C. § 5311 et seq. or 31 C.F.R. § 18 19 103 et seq., or any rules or regulations adopted under 20 those chapters and sections, the person: 21 (i) Causes a financial institution, including a 22 foreign or domestic money transmitter or an authorized 23

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1 agent thereof, casino, check casher, person engaged in a 2 trade or business or any other person required to report 3 regarding currency transactions or suspicious transactions 4 to fail to report or to file a report that contains a 5 material omission or misstatement of fact; or

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7 (ii) Structures or assists in structuring any transaction with one (1) or more financial institutions, 8 9 including foreign or domestic money transmitters or an 10 authorized agent thereof, casinos, check cashers, persons 11 engaged in a trade or business or any other person required 12 to report regarding currency transactions or suspicious 13 transactions. For purposes of this paragraph, "structure" or "structuring" means that a person, acting alone, or in 14 15 conjunction with or on behalf of, other persons, conducts 16 one (1) or more transactions in currency, in any amount, at 17 one (1) or more financial institutions, on one (1) or more 18 days, in any manner, for the purpose of evading currency 19 transaction reporting requirements provided by state or 20 federal law. The transaction or transactions need not exceed the reporting threshold at any single financial 21 institution on any single day in order to meet the 22

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1	definition of "structure" or "structuring" provided in this
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4	(b) Illegal investment is a felony punishable by
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б	not more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), or both.
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8	Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2025.
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