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INTRODUCTION**

SENATE FILE NO.

Disclosure of private cryptographic keys.

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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to digital assets; specifying disclosure
2 obligations and limitations applicable to private
3 cryptographic keys; providing a definition; repealing a
4 definition; and providing for an effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 34-29-107 is created to read:

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10 **34-29-107. Production of private keys; prohibition.**

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1 (a) No person shall be compelled to produce a private
2 key or make a private key known to any other person in any
3 civil, criminal, administrative, legislative or other
4 proceeding in this state that relates to a digital asset,
5 digital identity or other interest or right to which the
6 private key provides access unless a public key is
7 unavailable or unable to disclose the requisite information
8 with respect to the digital asset, digital identity or
9 other interest or right.

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11 (b) This section shall not be interpreted to prohibit
12 any lawful proceeding that compels a person to produce,
13 sell, transfer, convey or disclose a digital asset, digital
14 identity or other interest or right to which a private key
15 provides access, or to disclose information about the
16 digital asset, digital identity or other interest or right,
17 provided that the person is not required to produce or
18 disclose the private key except as otherwise required by
19 subsection (a) of this section.

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21 **Section 2.** W.S. 34-29-101(a) by creating a new
22 paragraph (v) is amended to read:

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1 **34-29-101. Definitions.**

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3 (a) As used in this chapter:

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5 (v) "Private key" means a unique element of
6 cryptographic data, or any substantially similar analogue,
7 which is:

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9 (A) Held by a person;

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11 (B) Paired with a unique, publicly
12 available element of cryptographic data; and

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14 (C) Associated with an algorithm that is
15 necessary to carry out an encryption or decryption required
16 to execute a transaction.

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18 **Section 3.** W.S. 34-29-103(e)(iii) is repealed.

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22 STAFF COMMENT
23 W.S. 34-29-103(e)(iii) is the definition of "private key".
24 This draft simply makes the definition applicable to the
25 entire chapter which includes the new section created by
26 this draft.

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4 **Section 4.** This act is effective July 1, 2023.

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