LEGISLATIVE BILL 263

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Introduced by Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee,
DeCamp, 40, Chmn.; Schmit, 23; Merz, 1;
Swigart, 8; Labedz, 5; Murphy, 17

AN ACT to amend sections 8-1101, 8-1103, 8-1106, 8-1109, and 8-1111, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, relating to securities; to change provisions of the Securities Act of Nebraska as prescribed; and to repeal the original sections.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 8-1101, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

8-1101. As used in sections 8-1101 to 8-1124, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (1) Director shall mean the Director of Banking of the State of Nebraska, except as further provided in section 8-1120:
- (2) Agent shall mean any individual other than a broker-dealer who represents a broker-dealer or issuer in effecting or attempting to effect sales of securities, but agent does not include an individual who represents an issuer in (a) effecting a transaction in a security exempted by subdivision (8), (9), or (10) of section 8-1110, (b) effecting transactions exempted by section 8-1111, or (c) effecting transactions with existing employees, partners or directors of the issuer or any of its subsidiaries if no commission or other remuneration is paid or given directly or indirectly for soliciting any person in this state. A partner, officer, or director of a broker-dealer is an agent only if he otherwise comes within this definition;
- (3) Broker-dealer shall mean any person engaged in the business of effecting transactions in securities for the account of others or for his own account. Broker-dealer does not include (a) an issuer-dealer, agent, bank, savings institution, or trust company, (b) a person who has no place of business in this state if he effects transactions in this state exclusively with or through the issuers of the securities involved in the transactions, other broker-dealers, or banks, savings institutions, trust companies, insurance companies,

investment companies, as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, pension or profit-sharing trusts, or other financial institutions or institutional buyers, whether acting for themselves or as trustees, or (c) a person who has no place of business in this state if during any period of twelve consecutive months he does not direct more than fifteen offers to sell or to buy into this state in any manner to persons other than those specified in subdivision (3) (b) of this section;

- (4) Guaranteed shall mean guaranteed as to payment of principal, interest, or dividends;
- (5) Investment adviser shall mean any person who, for compensation, engages in the business of advising others, either directly or through publications or writings, as to the value of securities or as to the advisability of investing in, purchasing, or selling securities, or who, for compensation and as a part of a regular business, issues or promulgates analyses or reports concerning securities. Investment adviser does not include (a) a bank, savings institution, or trust company; (b) a lawyer, accountant, engineer, or teacher whose performance of these services is solely incidental to the practice of his profession; (c) a broker-dealer; (d) an issuer-dealer; (e) a publisher of any bona fide newspaper, news magazine, or business or financial publication of general, regular, and paid circulation; (f) a person whose advice, analyses, or reports relate only to securities exempted by subdivision (1) of section 8-1110; (g) a person who has no place of business in this state if his only clients in this state are other investment advisers, broker-dealers, banks, savings institutions, trust companies, insurance companies, investment companies, as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, pension or profit-sharing trust, or other financial institutions or institutional buyers, whether acting for themselves or as trustees, or during any period of twelve consecutive months he does not direct business communications into this state in manner to more than five clients other than those specified in this subdivision; (5); or (h) such other persons not within the intent of this subdivision as the director may by rule or order designate;
- (6) Issuer shall mean any person who issues or proposes to issue any security, except that with respect to certificates of deposit, voting-trust certificates, or collateral-trust certificates, or with respect to certificates of interest or shares in an unincorporated investment trust not having a board of directors, or persons performing similar functions, or of the tixed, restricted management, or unit type, the term issuer

shall mean the person or persons performing the acts and assuming the duties of depositor or manager pursuant to the provisions of the trust or other agreement or instrument under which the security is issued;

- (7) Issuer-dealer shall mean an (a) any issuer located in the State of Nebraska, or (b) any issuer which registered its securities by qualification who proposes to sell to the public of the State of Nebraska the securities that it issues without the benefit of another registered broker-dealer. Such securities shall have been approved for sale in the State of Nebraska pursuant to section 8-1104:
- (8) Nonissuer shall mean not directly or indirectly for the benefit of the issuer;
- (9) Person shall mean an individual, a corporation, a partnership, an association, a joint-stock company, a trust where the interests of the beneficiaries are evidenced by a security, an unincorporated organization, a government, or a political subdivision of a government;
- (10) Sale or sell shall include every contract of sale of, contract to sell, or disposition of, a security or interest in a security for value. Offer or offer to sell shall include every attempt or offer to dispose of, or solicitation of an offer to buy, a security or interest in a security for value. Any security given or delivered with, or as a bonus on account of, any purchase of securities or any other thing is considered to constitute part of the subject of the purchase and to have been offered and sold for value. A purported gift of assessable stock is considered to involve an offer and sale. Every sale or offer of a warrant or right to purchase or subscribe to another security of the same or another issuer, as well as every sale or offer of a security which gives the holder a present or future right or privilege to convert into another security of the same or another issuer, is considered to include an offer of the other security;
- (11) Securities Act of 1933, Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, and Investment Company Act of 1940 shall mean the federal statutes of those names as amended before or after August 18, 1965;
- (12) Security shall mean any note, stock, treasury stock, bond, debenture, units of beneticial interest in a real estate trust, evidence of indebtedness, certificate of interest or participation in

profit-sharing agreement, collateral-trust certificate, preorganization certificate or subscription, transferable share, investment contract, voting-trust certificate, certificate of deposit for a security, certificate of interest or participation in an oil, gas or mining title or lease or in payments out of production under such a title or lease or, in general, any interest or instrument commonly known as a security, or any certificate of interest or participation in, temporary or interim certificate for, guarantee of, or warrant or right to subscribe to or purchase, any of the foregoing. Security does not include any insurance or endowment policy or annuity contract issued by an insurance company, any nontransferable interest in a bona fide general partnership or joint venture, OL nontransferable partnership interest in a bona fide limited partnership where a certificate is executed, fide filed and recorded as provided by section 67-202; and

(13) State shall mean any state, territory, or possession of the United States as well as the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

Sec. 2. That section 8-1103, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

8-1103. (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to transact business in this state as a broker-dealer, issuer-dealer, or agent, except in transactions exempt under section 8-1111, unless he is registered under sections 8-1101 to 8-1124. It shall be unlawful for any broker-dealer to employ an agent unless the agent is registered. It shall be unlawful for an issuer to employ agent unless the issuer is registered as an issuer-dealer and unless the agent is registered. shall be unlawful for any person to transact business ın this state as an investment adviser unless (a) he is registered under sections 8-1101 to 8-1124, or (b) he 15 registered as a broker-dealer under sections 8-1101 8-1124, or (c) his only clients in this state are investment companies, as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, or insurance companies.

(2) A broker-dealer, issuer-dealer, agent, or investment adviser may apply for registration by filing with the director an application together with a consent to service of process pursuant to section 8-1112 and payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (5) of this section. Registration of a broker-dealer or issuer-dealer shall automatically constitute registration of all partners, officers or directors of such broker-dealer or issuer-dealer as agents, except any

partner, officer or director whose registration as an agent is denied, suspended or revoked under subsection (7) of this section, without the filing of applications for registration as agents or the payment of fees for registration as agents. The application shall contain whatever information the director requires concerning such matters as:

- (a) The applicant's form and place of organization;
- (b) The applicant's proposed method of doing business;
- (c) The qualifications and business history of the applicant and in the case of a broker-dealer or investment adviser, any partner, officer, or director;
- (d) Any injunction or administrative order or conviction of a misdemeanor involving a security or any aspect of the securities business and any conviction of a felony; and
- (e) The applicant's financial condition and history.
- (3) If no denial order is in effect and no proceeding is pending under subsection (7) of this section, registration shall become effective at noon of the thirtieth day after an application is filed. The director may specify an earlier effective date and he may by order defer the effective date until noon of the thirtieth day after the filing of any amendment. The director shall require as conditions of registration:
- (a) That the applicant, except for renewal, and, in the case of a corporation or partnership, the officers, directors or partners, pass such examination or examinations as the director may prescribe as evidence of knowledge of the securities business;
- (b) That an issuer-dealer and its agents pass an examination prescribed and administered by the Department of Banking. Such examination shall be administered upon request and upon payment of an examination fee of five dollars. Any applicant for issuer-dealer registration who has satisfactorily passed any other examination approved by the director shall be exempted from this requirement upon furnishing evidence of satisfactory completion of such examination to the director; and
- (c) That a broker-dealer or issuer-dealer have a minimum net capital of twenty-five thousand dollars. In

lieu of minimum net capital requirements of twenty-five dollars, the director may broker-dealer or issuer-dealer to post a corporate surety bond with surety licensed to do business in Nebraska in an amount equal to such capital requirements. When director finds that a surety bond with a surety company would cause an undue burden on an issuer-dealer, the director may require the issuer dealer to signature bond. Every such surety bond shall shall run favor of Nebraska, shall provide for suit thereon by any person who has a cause of action under section 8-1118, and shall provide that no suit may be maintained to enforce any liability on the bond unless brought Within two years after the sale or other act upon which it 15 based; Provided that no written examination shall required of any applicant who immediately prior to August 18, 1965 had an effective license as a broker or salesman under the provisions of sections 81-302 to 81-349; and provided further, that the director may waive the requirements of examination for any applicant who reason of prior experience can demonstrate his knowledge of the securities business.

Registration of a broker-dealer, issuer-dealer, agent or investment adviser shall be effective period of one year and may be renewed as provided in this section. The registration of an agent shall not be effective during any period when he is not associated with a registered broker-dealer or issuer-dealer specified in his application or a notice filed with the director. When an agent begins or terminates connection with a registered broker-dealer OF issuer-dealer, the agent and the broker-dealer issuer-dealer shall promptly notity the director.

- (4) Registration of a broker-dealer, issuer-dealer, agent or investment adviser may be renewed by filing with the director prior to the expiration thereof an application containing such information as the director may require to indicate any material change the information contained in the original application or renewal application for registration broker-dealer, issuer-dealer, agent or investment adviser filed with the director by the applicant, payment of prescribed fee and, in the case of a broker-dealer or issuer-dealer, a financial statement showing the such condition of broker-dealer financial or issuer-dealer as of a date within ninety days.
- (5) The fee for initial or renewal registration shall be one hundred dollars for a broker-dealer or issuer-dealer, fifty dollars for an investment adviser, and fifteen dollars for an agent. When an application is

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denied or withdrawn the director shall retain all of the fee.

- issuer-dealer, and investment adviser shall make and keep such accounts and other records, except with respect to securities exempt under subdivision (1) of section 8-1110, as the director shall prescribe. All records so required shall be preserved for three years unless the director shall prescribe otherwise for particular types of records. All the records of a registered broker-dealer, issuer-dealer, or investment adviser shall be subject at any time or from time to time to such reasonable periodic, special or other examinations by representatives of the director, within or without this state, as the director shall deem necessary or appropriate in the public interest or for the protection of investors.
- (7) The director may by order deny, suspend, or revoke registration of any broker-dealer, issuer-dealer, agent, or investment adviser if he finds that the order is in the public interest and that the applicant or registrant or, in the case of a broker-dealer, issuer-dealer, or investment adviser, any partner, officer, or director:
- (a) Has filed an application for registration under this section which, as of September 2, 1973, or as of any date after filing in the case of an order denying effectiveness, was incomplete in any material respect or contained any statement which was, in the light of the circumstances under which it was made, false or misleading with respect to any material fact;
- (b) Has willfully violated or willfully failed to comply with any provision of sections 8-1101 to 8-1124 or a predecessor act or any rule or order under the provisions of sections 8-1101 to 8-1124 or a predecessor act:
- (c) Has been convicted, within the past ten years, of any misdemeanor involving a security or any aspect of the securities business, or any felony;
- (d) Is permanently or temporarily enjoined by any court of competent jurisdiction from engaging in or continuing any conduct or practice involving any aspect of the securities business;
- (e) Is the subject of an order of the director denying, suspending, or revoking registration as a broker-dealer, issuer-dealer, agent, or investment

adviser;

- (f) Is the subject of an order entered within the past five years by the securities administrator of any other state or by the Securities and Exchange Commission denying or revoking registration as a broker-dealer or agent, or the substantial equivalent of those terms defined in sections 8-1101 to 8-1124, or is the subject of an order of the Securities and Exchange Commission suspending or expelling him from a national securities exchange or national securities association registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or is the subject of a United States post-office fraud order; the director may not institute a revocation or suspension proceeding under this subdivision more than one year from the date of the order relied on, and he may not enter any order under this subdivision on the basis of an order unless that order was based on facts which currently constitute a ground for an order under this section:
- (g) Has engaged in dishonest or unethical practices in the securities business;
- (h) Is insolvent, either in the sense that his liabilities exceed his assets or in the sense that he cannot meet his obligations as they mature; but the director may not enter an order against a broker-dealer, issuer-dealer, or investment adviser under this subdivision without a finding of insolvency as to the broker-dealer, issuer-dealer, or investment adviser;
- (i) Has not complied with a condition imposed by the director under subsection (3) of this section, or is not qualified on the basis of such factors as training, experience, or knowledge of the securities business;
- (j) Has failed to pay the proper filing fee, but the director may enter only a denial order under this subdivision, and he shall vacate any such order when the deficiency has been corrected; or
- (k) Has been denied the right to do business or his respective authority to do business has been revoked by any other governmental agency for cause.

The director may not institute a suspension or revocation proceeding on the basis of a fact or transaction known to him when registration became effective. The director may by order summarily postpone or suspend registration pending final determination of any proceeding under this subsection. Upon the entry of the order, the director shall promptly notify the

applicant or registrant, as well as the employer or prospective employer if the applicant or registrant is an agent, that it has been entered and of the reasons therefor and that within fifteen days after the receipt of a written request the matter will be set down for hearing. If no hearing is requested and none is ordered by the director, the order shall remain in effect until it is modified or vacated by the director. If a hearing is requested or ordered, the director, after notice of and opportunity for hearing, may modify or vacate the order or extend it until final determination. No order may be entered under this section denying or revoking registration without appropriate prior notice to the applicant or registrant, as well as the employer or prospective employer if the applicant or registrant is an agent, opportunity for hearing, and written findings of fact and conclusions of law.

If the director finds that any registrant or applicant for registration is no longer in existence or has ceased to do business as a broker-dealer, issuer-dealer, investment adviser or agent, or is subject to an adjudication of mental incompetence or to the control of a committee, conservator, or guardian, or cannot be located after reasonable search, the director may by order cancel the registration or application.

Sec. 3. That section 8-1106, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

8-1106. (1) Any security for which a registration statement has been filed under the Securities Act of 1933 in connection with the same offering may be registered by coordination.

- (2) A registration statement under this section shall contain the following information and be accompanied by the following documents, in addition to payment of the registration fee prescribed in section 8-1108 and, if required under section 8-1112, a consent to service of process meeting the requirements of that section:
- (a) Three copies of the prospectus filed under the Securities Act of 1933 together with all amendments thereto:
- (b) The amount of securities to be offered in this state;
- (c) The states in which a registration statement or similar document in connection with the offering has

been or is expected to be filed;

- (d) Any adverse order, judgment or decree previously entered in connection with the offering by any court or the Securities and Exchange Commission;
- (e) If the director by rule or otherwise requires, a copy of the articles of incorporation and by-laws or their substantial equivalents currently in effect, a copy of any agreements with or among underwriters, a copy of any indenture or other instrument governing the issuance of the security to be registered, and a specimen or copy of the security;
- (f) If the director requests, any other information, or copies of any other documents, filed under the Securities Act of 1933; and
- (g) An undertaking to forward promptly all amendments to the federal registration statement, other than an amendment which merely delays the effective date.
- (3) A registration statement under this section shall automatically become effective at the moment the federal registration statement or qualification becomes effective if all the following conditions are satisfied:
- (a) No stop order is in effect and no proceeding is pending under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or under section 8-1109;
- (b) The registration statement has been on tile with the commissioner for at least ten days; and
- (c) A statement of the maximum and minimum proposed offering prices and the waximum underwriting discounts and commissions has been tiled and the offering is made within those limitations. The registrant shall promptly notify the director by telephone or telegram of the date and time when the federal registration statement became effective and the content of the price amendment, if any, and shall promptly file a post-effective amendment containing the information and documents in the price amendment. Price amendment shall mean the final federal amendment which includes a statement of the offering price, underwriting and selling discounts or commissions, amount of proceeds, conversion rates, call prices, and other matters dependent upon the offering price.

Upon failure to receive the required notification and post-effective amendment with respect to the price amendment, the director may enter a stop order, without

notice or hearing, retroactively denying effectiveness to the registration statement or suspending effectiveness until there has been compliance with subsection, if he promptly notifies the registrant by telephone or telegram and promptly confirms by letter or telegram when he notifies by telephone of the issuance of the order. If the registrant proves compliance with the requirements of this subsection as to notice post-effective amendment, the stop order shall be void as of the time of its entry. The director may by rule or otherwise waive either or both of the conditions specified in subsections (2) and (3) of this section. If federal registration statement or qualification becomes effective before all these conditions have been satisfied and they are not waived, the registration statement shall automatically become effective as soon as all the conditions have been satisfied. registrant advises the director of the date when the federal registration statement or qualification is expected to become effective the director shall promptly advise the registrant by telephone or telegram, at the registrant's expense, whether all the conditions have been satisfied, and if such advice is by telephone it shall be confirmed by telegram at the registrant's expense.

Sec. 4. That section 8-1109, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

8-1109. The director may issue a stop order denying effectiveness to, or suspending or revoking the effectiveness of, a registration statement to register securities by notification or coordination if he finds that the order is in the public interest and that:

- (1) Any <u>such</u> registration statement registering securities, <u>under-sections--8-4406--and--8-4409--to</u> 8-4409-02, as of its effective date or as of any earlier date in the case of an order denying effectiveness, is incomplete in any material respect or contains any statement which was, in the light of the circumstances under which it was made, false or misleading with respect to any material fact;
- (2) Any provision of sections 8-1101 to 8-1124 or any rule, order, or condition lawfully imposed under sections 8-1101 to 8-1124 has been violated, in connection with the offering by the person filling the registration statement, the issuer, any partner, officer, or director of the issuer, any person occupying a similar status or performing similar functions, or any person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by the

issuer, but only if the person filing the registration statement is directly or indirectly controlled by or acting for the issuer, or any underwriter;

- (3) The security registered or sought to be registered is the subject of a permanent or temporary injunction of any court of competent jurisdiction entered under any other federal or state act applicable to the offering; but the director may not institute a proceeding against an effective registration statement under this subdivision more than one year from the date of the injunction relied on, and he may not enter an order under this subdivision on the basis of an injunction entered under any other state act unless the injunction was based on facts which would currently constitute a ground for a stop order under this section;
- (4) When a security is sought to be registered by notification, it is not eligible for such registration;
- (5) When a security is sought to be registered by coordination, there has been a failure to comply with the undertaking required by subdivision (2) (a) of section 8-1106;
- (6) The applicant or registrant has failed to pay the proper registration fee; but the director may enter only a denial order under this subdivision and he shall vacate any such order when the deficiency has been corrected. The director may not enter a--stop an order against an effective registration statement on the basis of a fact or transaction known to him when the registration statement became effective; or
- (7) The authority of the applicant or registrant to do business has been denied or revoked by any other governmental agency; -
- (8) The issuer's or registrant's literature, circulars, or advertising is misleading, incorrect, incomplete, or calculated to deceive the purchaser or investor;
- (9) All or substantially all the enterprise or business of the issuer, promoter or quarantor has been found to be unlawful by a final order of a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction; or
- (10) There is a refusal to furnish information required by the director within a reasonable time to be fixed by the director.

Sec. 5. That section 8-1111, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

8-1111. Except as hereinatter in this section expressly provided, sections 8-1103 to 8-1109 shall not apply to any of the following transactions:

- (1) Any isolated transaction, whether effected through a broker-dealer or not;
- (2) Any nonissuer distribution of an outstanding security by a registered broker-dealer if (a) a recognized securities manual contains the name of the issuer's officers and directors, a balance sheet of the issuer as of a date within eighteen months, and a profit and loss statement for either the fiscal year preceding that date or the most recent year of operations, or (b) the security has a fixed maturity or a fixed interest or dividend provision and there has been no default during the current fiscal year or within the three preceding fiscal years, or during the existence of the issuer and any predecessors if less than three years, in the payment of principal, interest, or dividends on the security;
- (3) Any nonissuer transaction effected by or through a registered broker-dealer pursuant to an unsolicited order or offer to buy; but the director may by rule require that the customer acknowledge upon a specified form that the sale was unsolicited, and that a signed copy of each such form be preserved by the broker-dealer for a specified period;
- (4) Any transaction between the issuer or other person on whose behalf the offering is made and an underwriter, or among underwriters;
- (5) Any transaction in a bond or other evidence of indebtedness secured by a real or chattel mortgage or deed of trust, or by an agreement for the sale of real estate or chattels, if the entire mortgage, deed of trust, or agreement, together with all the bonds or other evidences of indebtedness secured thereby, is offered and sold as a unit; Provided, that such exemption shall not apply to any transaction in a bond or other evidence of indebtedness secured by a real estate mortgage or deed of trust or by an agreement for the sale of real estate if the real estate securing the evidences of indebtedness are parcels of real estate the sale of which requires the subdivision in which the parcels are located to be registered under the Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act, 82 Stat. 590 et seq., 15 U.S.C. 1/01 et seq.;

- (6) Any transaction by an executor, administrator, sheriff, marshal, receiver, trustee in bankruptcy, guardian, or conservator;
- (7) Any transaction executed by a bona fide pledgee without any purpose of evading sections 8-1101 to 8-1124;
- (8) Any offer or sale to a bank, savings institution, trust company, insurance company, investment company as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, pension or profit-sharing trust, or other financial institution or institutional buyer, or to a broker-dealer, whether the purchaser is acting for itself or in some fiduciary capacity;
- (9) Any transaction pursuant to a sale an-offer directed-by-the-offerer to not more than ten persons, other than those designated in subdivision (8) of this section in this state during any period of twelve consecutive months, whether-or-not-the-offerer-or-any--of the-offerees-is-then-present-in-this-state; if (a) the seller reasonably believes that all the buyers are purchasing for investment, and (b) no commission or other remuneration is paid or given directly or indirectly for soliciting any prospective buyer, except to broker-dealer registered under the provisions of sections 8-1101 to 8-1124, (c) a notice is given, stating the seller's name and address and a statement that the conditions of this exemption have been met, and [d] no solicitations are made by newspaper, radio, or television;
- (10) Any offer or sale of a preorganization certificate or subscription if (a) no commission or other remuneration is paid or given directly or indirectly for soliciting any prospective subscriber, (b) the number of subscribers does not exceed ten, and (c) no payment is made by any subscriber;
- (11) Any transaction pursuant to an offer to existing security holders of the issuer, including persons who at the time of the transaction are holders of convertible securities, nontransferable warrants, or transferable warrants exercisable within not more than ninety days of their issuance, if (a) no commission or other remuneration, other than a standby commission, is paid or given directly or indirectly for soliciting any security holder in this state, or (b) the issuer first files a notice specifying the terms of the offer and the director does not by order disallow the exemption within the next five full business days;

- (12) Any offer, but not a sale, of a security for which registration statements have been filed under both sections 8-1101 to 8-1124 and the Securities Act of 1933 if no stop order or refusal order is in effect and no public proceeding or examination looking toward such an order is pending under either sections 8-1101 to 8-1124 or the Securities Act of 1933;
- (13) The issuance of any stock dividend, whether the corporation distributing the dividend is the issuer of the stock or not, if nothing of value is given by stockholders for the distribution other than the surrender of a right to a cash dividend where the stockholder can elect to take a dividend in cash or stock; or
- (14) Any transaction incident to a right of conversion or a statutory or judicially approved reclassification, recapitalization, reorganization, quasi reorganization, stock split, reverse stock split, merger, consolidation or sale of assets.

The director may by order deny or revoke the exemption specified in subdivision (2) of this section with respect to a specific security. Upon the entry of such an order, the director shall promptly notify all registered broker-dealers that it has been entered and of the reasons therefor and that within fifteen days of the receipt of a written request the matter will be set down for hearing. If no hearing is requested and none is ordered by the director, the order will remain in effect until it is modified or vacated by the director. hearing is requested or ordered, the director, notice of and opportunity for hearing to all interested persons, may modify or vacate the order or extend it until final determination. No such order may operate retroactively. No person may be considered to have violated the provisions of sections 8-1101 to 8-1124 by reason of any offer or sale effected after the entry any such order if he sustains the burden of proof that he did not know, and in the exercise of reasonable care could not have known of the order. In any proceeding under sections 8-1101 to 8-1124, the burden of proving an exemption from a definition is upon the person claiming

Sec. 6. That original sections 8-1101, 8-1103, 8-1106, 8-1109, and 8-1111, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, are repealed.