## LEGISLATIVE BILL 910

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Introduced by Stinner, 48.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Secretary of State; to amend sections 21-186, 21-2216, 21-2924, 25-3308, 33-102, 45-603, 45-606, 45-620, 45-806, 48-2609, 52-1313, 52-1316, 64-306, 64-313, 67-293, 67-462, 69-1204, 69-1206, 71-3204, 77-3903, 81-1921, 81-1922, 84-511, 84-1205, 87-130, 87-133, 87-134, 87-210, 87-211, and 87-212, Reissue Revised Statutes of 87-133, 87-134, 87-210, 87-211, and 87-212, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 13-2525, 21-205, 21-414, 21-1905, 33-101, 52-1004, 52-1312, 52-1602, and 84-906.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018, sections 21-192, 64-405, 64-415, and 84-1227, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, section 9-528, Uniform Commercial Code, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 9-525, Uniform Commercial Code, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018; to provide for, change, and eliminate fees and the collection and distribution of fees; to create, eliminate, and transfer funds; to eliminate provisions regarding failure to report interests in certain real estate and powers and duties regarding centralized computer system equipment; to eliminate obsolete provisions: centralized computer system equipment; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 76-1522 and 84-510, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, section 84-907.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018, section 45-621, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, and section 9-531, Uniform Commercial Code, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018. Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. (1) The Secretary of State Cash Fund is created. The State Treasurer shall transfer the balance of the Administration Cash Fund, the Corporation Cash Fund, the Nebraska Collection Agency Fund, the Secretary of State Administration Cash Fund, and the Uniform Commercial Code Cash Fund on July 1, 2021, to the Secretary of State Cash Fund. The fund shall also include fees and revenue collected by the Secretary of State pursuant to sections 13-2525, 21-186, 21-192, 21-205, 21-414, 21-1905, 21-2216, 21-2924, 25-3308, 33-101, 33-102, 45-606, 45-620, 45-806, 48-2609, 52-1004, 52-1312, 52-1313, 52-1316, 52-1602, 64-306, 64-313, 64-405, 64-415, 67-293, 67-462, 69-1204, 69-1206, 71-3204, 77-3903, 81-1921, 81-1922, 84-906.03, 87-130, 87-133, 87-134, and 87-210 to 87-212 and sections 9-525 and 9-528, Uniform Commercial Code, and any other fees and revenue designated for credit to the fund.

(2) The Secretary of State shall use the Secretary of State Cash Fund for the administration of the office of the Secretary of State, including duties of the Secretary of State relating to oaths and bonds under Chapter 11, corporations and other business entities under Chapter 21, address confidentiality under Chapter 42, collection agencies and credit service organizations under Chapter 45, distribution of session laws and legislative journals under Chapter 49, liens, including effective financing statements and the master lien list, under Chapter 52, notaries public under Chapter 64, partnerships under Chapter 67, debt management under Chapter 69, private detectives under Chapter 71, truth and deception examiners under Chapter 81. detectives under Chapter 71, truth and deception examiners under Chapter 81, administrative duties, the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska, and rules and regulations, under Chapter 84, trade names, trademarks, and service marks under Chapter 87, and the Uniform Commercial Code, and any other administrative duties as deemed necessary by the Secretary of State.

(3) Any money in the Secretary of State Cash Fund available for investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

Sec. 2. Section 13-2525, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018, is amended to read:

13-2525 (1) Commencing in 2001 and each odd-numbered year thereafter, each joint public agency shall deliver to the Secretary of State a biennial report on a form prescribed and furnished by the Secretary of State that sets forth: (a) The name of the joint public agency;

(b) The street address of its principal office and the name of its manager or executive director, if any, at the office in this state;
 (c) The names and business or residence addresses of its representatives

and principal officers;

(d) A brief description of the nature of its activities; and

(e) The names of the participating public agencies.

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(2) The information in the biennial report must be current on the date the biennial report is executed on behalf of the joint public agency.
(3) The first biennial report must be delivered to the Secretary of State between January 1 and April 1 of the odd-numbered year following the calendar year in which the joint public agency was authorized to transact business. Subsequent biennial reports must be delivered to the Secretary of State between January 1 and April 1 of the delivered to the Secretary of State between biennial reports must be delivered to the Secretary of State between January 1 and April 1 of the following add numbered years. January 1 and April 1 of the following odd-numbered years. The biennial report is due on April 1 of the odd-numbered year in which it must be delivered to the Secretary of State as required by this section.

(4) If a biennial report does not contain the information required by this section, the Secretary of State shall promptly notify the reporting joint public agency in writing and return the report to it for correction. If the report is corrected to contain the information required by this section and delivered to the Secretary of State within thirty days after the effective date of notice, it is deemed to be timely filed. (5) Upon the delivery of the biennial report as provided in this section,

the Secretary of State shall charge and collect a fee of thirty dollars if the filing is submitted in writing and twenty-five dollars if the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511 twenty dollars. The fee is

due on April 1 of the odd-numbered year in which the biennial report must be delivered to the Secretary of State as required by this section. (6) A correction or an amendment to the biennial report may be delivered to the Secretary of State for filing at any time. The fee for filing a correction or an amendment to the biennial report shall be thirty dollars if the filing is submitted in writing and twenty-five dollars if the filing is the filing is submitted in writing and twenty-five dollars if the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511.

(7) The Secretary of State shall collect all fees imposed in this section and shall remit the fees to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit sixty percent of the fees to the General Fund and forty percent of the fees to the Secretary of State Cash Fund. Sec. 3. Section 21-186, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended

to read:

21-186 (1)(a) An application for issuance of a certificate of registration shall be made by the limited liability company to the regulatory body in writing and shall contain the names of all members, managers, professional employees, and agents of the limited liability company who are required by law to be licensed or otherwise authorized to render the professional service for which the limited liability company is organized to do business, the street address at which the applicant proposes to render a professional service, and such other information as may be required by the regulatory body. If it appears to the regulatory body that each member, manager, professional employee, and agent of the applicant required by law to be licensed is licensed or otherwise authorized to practice the profession for which the applicant is organized to do business and that each member, manager, professional employee, or agent required by law to be licensed or otherwise authorized to practice the profession for which the applicant is organized to do business is not otherwise disqualified from rendering the professional service of the applicant, such regulatory body shall issue a certificate in duplicate upon a form bearing its date of issuance and prescribed by such regulatory body certifying that the proposed or existing limited liability company complies with the provisions of the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act and of the applicable rules and regulations of the regulatory body. Each applicant for such certificate shall pay the regulatory body a fee of twenty-five dollars for the issuance of the certificate.

(b) One copy of a certificate of registration issued pursuant to this subsection shall be prominently displayed to public view upon the premises of subsection shall be prominently displayed to public view upon the premises of the principal place of business of the limited liability company, and, except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, one copy shall be delivered for filing to the Secretary of State who shall charge a fee <u>as specified in section</u> <u>21-192 of twenty-five dollars</u> for filing the same. The certificate shall be delivered to the Secretary of State for filing with the certificate of organization. A certificate of registration bearing an issuance date more than two wenths old shall not be aligible for filing by the Secretary of State

twelve months old shall not be eligible for filing by the Secretary of State.
 (2) When licensing records of regulatory bodies are electronically
accessible to the Secretary of State, the Secretary of State shall access the
records. The access of the records shall be made in lieu of a certificate of
accessing the secretary of the secretary body for delivery to registration being prepared and issued by the regulatory body for delivery to the Secretary of State for filing. The limited liability company shall deliver to the Secretary of State for filing an application setting forth the names of all members, managers, professional employees, and agents of such limited liability company who are required by law to be licensed or otherwise authorized to render the professional service for which the limited liability company is organized to do business as of the last day of the month preceding the date of application and shall deliver to the Secretary of State for filing the date of application and shall deliver to the Secretary of State for filing an annual update thereafter. The application shall be completed on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State and shall contain such other information as the Secretary of State may require. The application shall be accompanied by a license verification fee <u>as specified in section 21-192 of fifty dollars</u>. The Secretary of State shall verify that all members, managers, professional employees, and agents who are required by law to do so are duly licensed or otherwise legally authorized to render the professional service for which the applicant is organized to do business or ancillary service as those which the limited liability company renders through electronic accessing of the

which the limited liability company renders through electronic accessing of the regulatory body's records. If any member, manager, professional employee, or regulatory body's records. If any member, manager, professional employee, or agent who is required by law to be licensed or otherwise authorized to render the professional service for which the limited liability company is organized to do business is not licensed or otherwise legally authorized to render the professional service for which the limited liability company is organized to do business, the limited liability company shall be suspended. The suspension shall remain in effect and a biennial report shall not be delivered to the Secretary of State for filing or filed by the Secretary of State until the limited liability company attests in writing that all members, managers,

professional employees, or agents who are required by law to be licensed or otherwise authorized to render the professional service for which the limited liability company is organized to do business are duly licensed or otherwise legally authorized to render the professional service for which the limited liability company is organized to do business and that information is verified by the Secretary of State or all unlicensed or unauthorized members, managers, professional employees, or agents are no longer members, managers, professional employees, or agents of the limited liability company. Sec. 4. Section 21-192, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, is amended to

read:

21-192 (1) The filing fee for all filings under the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act, including amendments and name reservation, shall be thirty dollars if the filing is submitted in writing and twenty-five dollars if the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511 ten dollars plus the recording fees set forth in subdivision (4) of section 33-101, except that:

(a) The the filing fee for filing a certificate of organization under section 21-117 and for filing an application for a certificate of authority to section 21-117 and for filling an application for a certificate of authority to transact business in this state as a foreign limited liability company under section 21-156 shall be one hundred <u>ten</u> dollars <u>if the filing is submitted in</u> writing and one hundred dollars if the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511, plus such recording fees and ten dollars for a certificate; and

<u>(b) The</u> , and except that the filing fee for filing a protected-series designation under section 21-509 shall be one hundred <u>ten</u> dollars <u>if the filing</u> is submitted in writing and one hundred dollars if the filing is submitted <u>electronically pursuant to section 84-511</u>, for each protected series stated, <u>plus such recording fees</u> and ten dollars for a certificate and the filing fee for an application for a certificate of authority to do business in this state as a foreign protected series under section 21-537 shall be one hundred <u>ten</u> dollars if the filing is submitted in writing and one hundred dollars if the filing is submitted <u>ten</u> dollars if the filing is submitted in writing and one hundred dollars if the filing is submitted <u>ten</u> dollars if the filing is submitted in writing and one hundred dollars if the filing is submitted <u>ten</u> filing is submitted <u>ten</u> to section 84-511 <u>plus such</u> filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511, plus such recording fees and ten dollars for a certificate. (2) The filing fee for filing a statement of change of address for an

agent for service of process under section 21-114 shall be thirty dollars if the filing is submitted in writing and twenty-five dollars if the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511 ten dollars for each limited liability company or foreign limited liability company for which the agent is designated plus the recording fees set forth in subdivision (4) of section 22 101 section 33-101.

(3) The filing fee for filing a statement of designation change under section 21-510 shall be <u>thirty dollars if the filing is submitted in writing</u> and twenty-five dollars if the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511 ten dollars for each of the series limited liability company's protected series plus the recording fees set forth in subdivision (4) of section 33-101.

(4) The filing fee for the filing of a biennial report under section 21-514 shall be thirty dollars if the filing is submitted in writing and twenty-five dollars if the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511 ten dollars for the series limited liability company and thirty dollars if the filing is submitted in writing and twenty-five dollars if the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to exertise 24 511 ten dollars if the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511 ten dollars for each of the series limited liability company's protected series.

(5) There shall be no recording fee collected for the filing of a biennial report required by section 21-125 or any corrections or amendments thereto.

(5) (6) The fee for an application for reinstatement more than five years after the effective date of an administrative dissolution shall be five hundred dollars.

(6) The fee for filing a certificate of registration pursuant to section 21-186 shall be thirty dollars if the certificate is submitted in writing and twenty-five dollars if the certificate is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511. In lieu of filing such certificate, the fee for application for electronic access to records pursuant to section 21-186 is fifty-five dollars if submitted in writing or fifty dollars if submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511.

(7) A fee of one dollar per page plus ten dollars per certificate shall be paid for a certified copy of any document on file under the act.

(8) The fees for filings under the act shall be paid to the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall remit the fees and remitted by him or her to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit sixty percent twothirds of the fees to the General Fund and <u>forty percent</u> one-third of the fees to the <u>Secretary of State</u> Corporation Cash Fund.

Sec. 5. Section 21-205, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018, is amended to read:

21-205 (MBCA 1.22) (a) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees when the documents described in this subsection are delivered to the Secretary of State for filing:

(1) Articles of incorporation, articles of domestication, or articles of domestication and conversion:

(i) If the <u>filing is submitted in writing</u> capital stock is \$10,000 or the fee shall be <u>\$110</u> <del>\$60</del>; and <del>less</del>,

(ii) If the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511 capital stock is more than \$10,000 but does not exceed \$25,000, the fee shall

LB910 LB910 2020 2020 be \$100; (iii) If the capital stock is more than \$25,000 but does not exceed \$50,000, the fee shall be \$150; (iv) If the capital stock is more than \$50,000 but does not exceed \$75,000, the fee shall be \$225; (v) If the capital stock is more than \$75,000 but does not exceed \$100,000, the fee shall be \$300; and (vi) If the capital stock is more than \$100,000, the fee shall be \$300, plus \$3 additional for each \$1,000 in excess of \$100,000. For purposes of computing this fee, the capital stock of a corporation organized under the laws of any other state that domesticates in this state, and which stock does not have a par value, shall be deemed to have a par value of an amount per share equal to the amount paid in as capital for each of such shares as are then issued and outstanding, and in no event less than one dollar per share; (2) Articles of incorporation or articles of domestication if filed by an insurer holding a certificate of authority issued by the Director of Insurance, the fee shall be \$300; (3) Application for use of deceptively similar name...\$25; (4) Application for reserved name...\$25; (5) Notice of transfer of reserved name...\$25; (6) Application for registered name...\$25; (7) Application for renewal of registered name...\$25; (8) Corporation's statement of change of registered agent or registered office or both...\$25; (3) (9) Agent's statement of change of registered office for each affected corporation...<u>\$30</u> <del>\$25</del> not to exceed a total of...\$1,000; (4) (10) Agent's statement of resignation...No fee; (11) Articles of charter surrender...\$25; (12) Articles of nonprofit conversion...\$25; (13) Articles of entity conversion...\$25; (14) Amendment of articles of incorporation...\$25; (15) Restatement of articles of incorporation...\$25 with amendment of articles...\$25; (16) Articles of merger or share exchange...\$25; (17) Articles of dissolution...\$45; (18) Articles of revocation of dissolution...\$25; (5) (19) Certificate of administrative dissolution...No fee; (20) Application for reinstatement following administrative dissolution or revocation...\$25; (6) (21) Application for reinstatement more than five years after the effective date of an administrative dissolution or administrative revocation... \$500; (7) (22) Certificate of reinstatement...No fee; (8) (23) Certificate of judicial dissolution...No fee; (9) (24) Application for certificate of authority: ...\$130; (i) If the filing is submitted in writing, the fee shall be \$110; and (ii) If the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511, the fee shall be \$100; (25) Application for amended certificate of authority...\$25; (26) Application for certificate of withdrawal...\$25; (27) Application for transfer of authority....\$25; (10) (28) Certificate of revocation of authority to transact business...No fee; (11)(i) Professional certificate submitted pursuant to section 21-2216: (A) If the professional certificate is submitted, the fee shall be \$30; and (B) If electronic verification is submitted in lieu of the professional ificate, the fee shall be \$55; and <u>cert</u> (ii) Such professional certificate submitted pursuant to section 84-511: (A) If the professional certificate is submitted, the fee shall be \$25; and (B) If electronic verification is submitted in lieu of the professional ificate, the fee shall be \$50; and cert (29) Articles of correction...\$25; (30) Application for certificate of existence or authorization...\$25; and (12) (31) Any other document required or permitted to be filed by the Nebraska Model Business Corporation Act: ....\$25. (i) If the filing is submitted in writing, the fee shall be \$30; and (ii) If the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511, the fee shall be \$25; (b) The Secretary of State shall collect a recording fee of five dollars per page in addition to the fees set forth in subsection (a) of this section. (b) (c) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees for copying and certifying the copy of any filed document relating to a domestic or foreign corporation: One dollar per page for copying; and
 Ten dollars for the certificate. (c) (d) All fees set forth in this section shall be collected by the Secretary of State and remitted to the State Treasurer and credited <u>sixty</u> <u>percent</u> two-thirds to the General Fund and <u>forty percent</u> to the Secretary of <u>State</u> one-third to the Corporation Cash Fund.

Sec. 6. Section 21-414, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018, is

amended to read:

21-414 (1) A benefit corporation shall send its annual benefit report to each shareholder:

(a) Within one hundred twenty days following the end of the fiscal year of the benefit corporation; or

(b) At the same time that the benefit corporation delivers any other annual report to its shareholders.

(2) A benefit corporation shall post all of its benefit reports on the public portion of its Internet web site, if any, except that the compensation paid to directors and financial or proprietary information included in the benefit reports may be omitted from the benefit reports as posted.

(3) If a benefit corporation does not have an Internet web site, the benefit corporation shall provide a copy of its most recent benefit report, without charge, to any person that requests a copy, except that the compensation paid to directors and financial or proprietary information included in the benefit report may be omitted from the copy of the benefit report provided.

(4)(a) Concurrently with the delivery of the benefit report to shareholders under subsection (1) of this section, the benefit corporation shall deliver a copy of the benefit report to the Secretary of State for filing, except that the compensation paid to directors and financial or proprietary information included in the benefit report may be omitted from the benefit report as delivered to the Secretary of State.

(b) The Secretary of State shall charge a fee in the amount prescribed in subdivision (1)(z) of section 21-2005 prior to January 1, 2017, and in the amount prescribed in subdivision (a)(12) (a)(30) of section 21-205 on and after January 1, 2017, for filing a benefit report. The Secretary of State shall collect the fees imposed in this section and remit the fees to the State <u>Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit sixty percent of the fees to the General Fund and forty percent of the fees to the Secretary of State The fee shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Corporation Cash</u> Fund.

Sec. 7. Section 21-1905, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018, is amended to read:

21-1905 (a) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees when the documents described in this subsection are delivered for filing:

(1)(i) Articles of incorporation documents to or (ii) relating domestication: ...\$10.00

(A) If the filing is submitted in writing, the fee shall be \$30; and (B) If the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511, the fee shall be \$25;

(2) Application for reserved name...\$25.00

(3) Notice of transfer of reserved name...\$25.00

(4) Application for registered name...\$25.00

(5) Application for renewal of registered name...\$25.00

(6) Corporation's statement of change of registered agent or registered office or both...\$5.00

(2) (7) Agent's statement of change of registered office for each affected corporation...\$25.00 (not to exceed a total of \$1,000)

(3) (8) Agent's statement of resignation...no fee

(9) Amendment of articles of incorporation...\$5.00

(10) Restatement of articles of incorporation with amendments...\$5.00
(11) Articles of merger...\$5.00

(12) Articles of dissolution...\$5.00

(13) Articles of revocation of dissolution...\$5.00

(4) (14) Certificate of administrative dissolution...no fee

(15) Application for reinstatement following administrative dissolution... \$5.00

(5) (16) Application for reinstatement more than five years after the effective date of an administrative dissolution or administrative revocation... \$500.00

(6) (17) Certificate of reinstatement...no fee

(7) (18) Certificate of judicial dissolution...no fee (8) (19) Certificate of authority: ....\$10.00

(i) If the filing is submitted in writing, the fee shall be \$30; and (ii) If the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511, the fee shall be \$25;

(20) Application for amended certificate of authority...\$5.00

(21) Application for certificate of withdrawal...\$5.00

(9) (22) Certificate of revocation of authority to transact business...no fee

(23) Biennial report...\$20.00

(24) Articles of correction...\$5.00

(10) (25) Application for certificate of good standing...\$10.00 (11) (26) Any other document required or permitted to be filed by the Nebraska Nonprofit Corporation Act: ....\$5.00

(i) If the filing is submitted in writing, the fee shall be \$30; and (ii) If the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511, the fee shall be \$25.

(i) Amendments...\$5.00

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(b) The Secretary of State shall collect a recording fee of five dollars per page in addition to the fees set forth in subsection (a) of this section, except that there shall be no recording fee collected for the filing of a

biennial report required by section 21-19,172. (b) (c) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees for copying and certifying the copy of any filed document relating to a domestic or foreign corporation:

(1) \$1.00 per page; and

(2) \$10.00 for the certificate.

(c) (d) All fees set forth in this section shall be collected by the Secretary of State and remitted to the State Treasurer and credited sixty percent two-thirds to the General Fund and forty percent to the Secretary of State one-third to the Corporation Cash Fund.

Sec. 8. Section 21-2216, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

21-2216 (1) No corporation shall open, operate, or maintain an establishment or do business for any purposes set forth in the Nebraska Professional Corporation Act without (a) filing with the Secretary of State a certificate of registration from the regulating board of the particular profession for which the professional corporation is organized to do business, which certificate shall set forth the name and residence addresses of all shareholders as of the last day of the month preceding such filing, and (b) certifying that all shareholders directors and officers except the secretary certifying that all shareholders, directors, and officers, except the secretary and the assistant secretary, are duly licensed to render the same professional services as those for which the corporation was organized. Application for a certificate of registration shall be made by the professional corporation to the regulating board in writing and shall contain the names of all officers, directors, shareholders, and professional employees of the professional corporation, the street address at which the applicant proposes to perform professional services, and such other information as may be required by the regulating board.

regulating board. (2) If it appears to the regulating board that each shareholder, officer, director, and professional employee of the applicant, except the secretary and the assistant secretary, is licensed to practice the profession of the applicant and that each shareholder, officer, director, or professional employee is not otherwise disqualified from performing the professional services of the applicant, such regulating board shall certify, in duplicate upon a form bearing its date of issuance and prescribed by such regulating board, that such proposed or existing professional corporation complies with the provisions of the act and of the applicable rules and regulations of such the provisions of the act and of the applicable rules and regulations of such regulating board. Each applicant for such registration certificate shall pay such regulating board a fee of twenty-five dollars for the issuance of such duplicate certificate.

(3) One copy of such certificate shall be prominently exposed to public view upon the premises of the principal place of business of each professional corporation organized under the act, and one copy shall be filed by the professional corporation with the Secretary of State who shall charge a fee  $\underline{as}$ specified in section 21-205 of twenty-five dollars for filing the same. The certificate from the regulating board shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State together with the articles of incorporation. A registration certificate bearing an issuance date more than twelve months old shall not be

eligible for filing with the Secretary of State. (4) When licensing records of regulating boards are electronically accessible, the Secretary of State shall access the records. The access shall be made in lieu of the certificate of registration or registration certificate be made in lieu of the certificate of registration or registration certificate being prepared and issued by the regulating board. The professional corporation shall file with the Secretary of State an application setting forth the name and residence addresses of all officers, directors, shareholders, and professional employees as of the last day of the month preceding the date of the application and shall file with the Secretary of State an annual update thereafter. Each application shall be accompanied by a licensure verification fee <u>as specified in section 21-205</u> of fifty dollars. The Secretary of State shall verify that all of the directors, officers, shareholders, and professional employees listed on the application, except for the secretary and assistant secretary, are duly licensed or otherwise legally authorized to assistant secretary, are duly licensed or otherwise legally authorized to render the same professional service or an ancillary service as those for which the professional corporation was organized. Verification shall be done by electronically accessing the regulating board's licensing records. If any director, officer, shareholder, or professional employee is not licensed or otherwise legally authorized to perform the professional service that the professional corporation was organized to render, the corporation will be suspended. The biennial report and tax cannot be filed and paid in the office of the Secretary of State until the corporation attests in writing that the director, officer, shareholder, or professional employee is licensed or otherwise legally authorized to practice, which shall be verified by the Secretary of State, or is no longer a director, officer, shareholder, or professional employee of the corporation. When the biennial report and the tax become delinquent, the corporation shall be dissolved for nonpayment of taxes in compliance with section 21-323.

Sec. 9. Section 21-2924, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

21-2924 The filing fees for records filed under <u>the Nebraska Limited</u> <u>Cooperative Association Act this section</u> with the Secretary of State are governed by section 33-101. The fees for filings under the act shall be paid to the Secretary of State, and the Secretary of State shall remit the fees to the

State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit sixty percent of the fees to the General Fund and forty percent of the fees to the Secretary of State Cash Fund.

Sec. 10. Section 25-3308, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

25-3308 (1) An application for registration or renewal of registration under section 25-3307 shall be accompanied by either an application for registration fee or a renewal of registration fee, as applicable. (2) The Secretary of State may, by rule and regulation, establish fees for

applications for registration and renewals of registration at rates sufficient to cover the costs of administering the Nonrecourse Civil Litigation Act, in the event any such fees are required. Such fees shall be collected by the Secretary of State and remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Secretary of State Administration Cash Fund.

Sec. 11. Section 33-101, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018, is amended to read:

33-101 There shall be paid to the Secretary of State the following fees:

(1) For certificate or exemplification with seal, ten dollars;

(1) For copies of records, for each page, a fee of one dollar;
(3) For accessing records by electronic means:
(a) For batch requests of business entity information, fifteen dollars for up to one thousand business entities accessed and an additional fifteen dollars for each additional one thousand business entities accessed over one thousand;

(b) For information in the Secretary of State's Uniform Commercial Code Division data base, including records filed pursuant to the Uniform Commercial Code, Chapter 52, article 2, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, or 14, Chapter 54, article 2, or the Uniform State Tax Lien Registration and Enforcement Act, for batch requests searched by debtor location, fifteen dollars for up to one thousand records accessed and an additional fifteen dollars for each additional one

thousand records accessed over one thousand; (c) For an electronically transmitted certificate indicating whether a business is properly registered with the Secretary of State and authorized to

do business is properly registered with the secretary of state and authorized to
do business in the state, six dollars and fifty cents;
 (d) For the entire contents of the data base regarding corporations and
the Uniform Commercial Code, but excluding electronic images, three hundred
dollars weekly subscription rate, one thousand dollars monthly subscription
rate for a twice-monthly service, and eight hundred dollars monthly subscription rate;

(e) For images of records accessed over the Internet or by other electronic means other than facsimile machine, forty-five cents for each page or image of a page, not to exceed two thousand dollars per request for batch requests; and

(f) For the entire contents of the image data base regarding corporations and the Uniform Commercial Code, eight hundred dollars monthly subscription rate;

(4) For recording articles of association or incorporation, amendments, revised or restated articles, changes of registered office or registered agent, increase or decrease of capital stock, merger or consolidation, statement of intent to dissolve, and consent to dissolution, revocation of dissolution, articles of dissolution, domestic or foreign, profit or nonprofit, five dollars per page;

(4) (5) For taking acknowledgment, ten dollars;
 (5) (6) For administering oath, ten dollars;

(6) (7) For filings by for-profit corporations and associations required or permitted by law to file articles of incorporation or organization with the Secretary of State, the fees provided in section 21-205 unless otherwise specifically provided by law; and (7) (8) For filings by nonprofit corporations and associations required or

(7) (8) For filings by nonprofit corporations and associations required or permitted by law to file articles of incorporation or organization with the Secretary of State or for such a filing by any entity declared to be a corporation under section 21-608, the fees provided in section 21-1905 unless otherwise specifically provided by law. <u>The Secretary of State shall remit all fees collected pursuant to subdivisions (1), (2), and (4) through (7) of this section to the State Treasurer for credit to the Secretary of State Cash Fund. The Secretary of State shall remit all All fees collected pursuant to subdivision (3) of this section to the State Treasurer for credit to shall be deposited in the Records Management Cash Fund. and such fees shall be distributed as provided in any</u> Management Cash Fund, and <u>such fees</u> shall be distributed as provided in any agreements between the State Records Board and the Secretary of State.

Sec. 12. Section 33-102, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

33-102 The Secretary of State shall be entitled to, for receiving, affixing the great seal to, and forwarding the commission of a notary public, the sum of <u>thirty fifteen</u> dollars for receiving an application for a commission <u>to act as</u> and the additional sum of fifteen dollars for filing and approving the bond of a notary public <u>pursuant to section 64-102</u>. The Secretary of State shall be entitled to the sum of <u>thirty fifteen</u> dollars for receiving a renewal application pursuant to section 64-104.

The fees received by the Secretary of State pursuant to this section shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit seventy-five percent to the General Fund and twenty-five percent to the <u>Secretary of State</u> Administration Cash Fund which is hereby created. Transfers may be made from the fund to the General Fund at the direction of the Legislature. Any money in the Administration Cash Fund available for investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

Sec. 13. Section 45-603, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

45-603 (1) There is hereby created the Collection Agency Licensing Board which shall consist of the Secretary of State, who shall be chairperson of the board, and four members appointed by the Governor. Three of the members appointed by the Governor shall be licensees actively engaged in the collection business in this state, one of whom shall reside in each of the state's three congressional districts. The remaining member shall be appointed at large as a representative of the public. Such person shall not be a licensee actively engaged in the collection business in this state.

(2) The term of office of each appointed member shall be for four years, except that of the members of the first board appointed under this section, two shall be appointed for a term of two years. Before a member's term expires, the Governor shall appoint a successor to take office on the expiration of the member's term. A member shall continue to serve after the expiration of his or her term until a successor is appointed and qualified. A vacancy in the office of a member shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired term.

(3) The members of the board shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses as provided in sections 81-1174 to 81-1177.

(4) The board may employ such persons as may be necessary to carry out the Collection Agency Act, fix the salaries of such employees, and make such other expenditures as are necessary to properly carry out the act, except that all remuneration, expenses, salaries, and expenditures provided for in the act shall be paid out of the <u>Secretary of State Cash</u> <del>Nebraska Collection Agency</del> Fund.

(5) The Secretary of State shall keep a record of all the proceedings, transactions, communications, and official acts performed pursuant to the act and perform such other duties as may be necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of the act.

Sec. 14. Section 45-606, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

 $45{\-}606$  Any person, firm, corporation, or association desiring to engage in this state in the collection business as defined in the Collection Agency Act shall make written and sworn application for a license therefor to the board upon a form to be prescribed by the board, which application shall be accompanied by an investigation fee of not to exceed two hundred fifty dollars. The amount of the fee shall be fixed by the board and shall not exceed the amount actually necessary to sustain the administration and enforcement of the act. Such application shall be accompanied by a duly verified financial statement of the applicant in form prescribed by the board. <u>The Secretary of</u> <u>State shall remit the fees received pursuant to this section to the State</u> <u>Treasurer for credit to the Secretary of State Cash Fund.</u>

Sec. 15. Section 45-620, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

45-620 No license, renewal of license, branch office certificate, or solicitor's certificate, as provided for in the Collection Agency Act, shall be issued by the board until the following fees have been paid to the Secretary of State: For a license, not to exceed two hundred dollars; for renewal of a license, not to exceed one hundred dollars; for a branch office certificate, not to exceed fifty dollars; for renewal of a branch office certificate, not to exceed thirty-five dollars; for a solicitor's certificate and for renewal of a colicitor's certificate not to exceed ten dollars. The amount of the fees solicitor's certificate, not to exceed ten dollars. The amount of the fees shall be fixed by the board and shall not exceed the amounts actually necessary to sustain the administration and enforcement of the act. <u>The Secretary of</u> <u>State shall remit the fees received pursuant to this section to the State</u>

<u>Treasurer for credit to the Secretary of State Cash Fund.</u> Sec. 16. Section 45-806, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

(1) A credit services organization shall file a registration 45-806 statement with the Secretary of State before conducting business in this state. The registration statement shall contain:

 (a) The name and address of the credit services organization; and
 (b) The name and address of any person who directly or indirectly owns or controls ten percent or more of the outstanding shares of stock in the credit services organization.

 (2) The registration statement shall also contain either:
 (a) A full and complete disclosure of any litigation or unresolved complaint filed with a governmental authority of this state relating to the operation of the credit services organization; or (b) A notarized statement that there has been no litigation or unresolved

complaint filed with a governmental authority of this state relating to the operation of the credit services organization.

(3) The credit services organization shall update the registration statement within ninety days after the date on which a change in the information required in the statement occurs.

(4) Each credit services organization registering under this section shall maintain a copy of the registration statement in the files of the credit services organization. The credit services organization shall allow a buyer to inspect the registration statement on request.

(5) The Secretary of State may charge each credit services organization

that files a registration statement with the Secretary of State a reasonable fee not to exceed one hundred dollars to cover the cost of filing. <u>The</u> <u>Secretary of State shall remit the fees received pursuant to this section to</u> <u>the State Treasurer for credit to the Secretary of State Cash Fund.</u> The Secretary of State shall not require a credit services organization to provide information other than that provided in the registration statement.

Sec. 17. Section 48-2609, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

48-2609 (1) An application for registration or renewal of registration must be accompanied by either an application for registration fee or a renewal of registration fee, as applicable.

(2) The Secretary of State may, by rule and regulation, establish fees for applications for registration and renewals of registration at rates sufficient to cover the costs of administering the Nebraska Uniform Athlete Agents Act, in the event any such fees are required. Such fees shall be collected by the Secretary of State and remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Secretary of State Administration Cash Fund.

Sec. 18. Section 52-1004, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018, is amended to read:

52-1004 (1) The uniform fee, payable to the Secretary of State, for presenting for filing and indexing and for filing and indexing each notice of lien or certificate or notice affecting the lien pursuant to the Uniform Federal Lien Registration Act shall be two times the fee required for recording instruments with the register of deeds as provided in section 33-109. There shall be no fee for the filing of a termination statement. The uniform fee for each county more than one designated pursuant to subsection (1) of section 52-1001 shall be the fee required for recording instruments with the register of deeds as provided in section 33-109. The Secretary of State shall <u>remit</u> deposit each fee received pursuant to this subsection <u>to the State Treasurer</u> for credit to in the Secretary of State Uniform Commercial Code Cash Fund, except that of . Of the fees received and deposited pursuant to this subsection, the Secretary of State shall remit the fee required for recording instruments with the register of deeds as provided in section 33-109 to the register of deeds of a county for each designation of such county in a filing pursuant to subsection (1) of section 52-1001. (2) The Secretary of State shall bill the district directors of internal

(2) The Secretary of State shall bill the district directors of internal revenue or other appropriate federal officials on a monthly basis for fees for documents presented or filed by them.

Sec. 19. Section 52-1312, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018, is amended to read:

52-1312 The Secretary of State shall design and implement a central filing system for effective financing statements. The Secretary of State shall be the system operator. The system shall provide a means for filing effective financing statements or notices of such financing statements on a statewide basis. The system shall include requirements:

(1) That an effective financing statement or notice of such financing statement shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State. A debtor's residence shall be presumed to be the residence shown on the filing. The showing of an improper residence shall not affect the validity of the filing. The filing officer shall mark the statement or notice with a consecutive file number and with the date and hour of filing and shall hold the statement or notice or a microfilm or other digital copy thereof for public inspection. In addition, the filing officer shall index the statements and notices according to the name of the debtor and shall note in the index the file number and the address of the debtor given in the statement;

address of the debtor given in the statement; (2) That the Secretary of State compile information from all effective financing statements or notices filed with the Secretary of State into a master list (a) organized according to farm product, (b) arranged within each such product (i) in alphabetical order according to the last name of the individual debtors or, in the case of debtors doing business other than as individuals, the first word in the name of such debtors, (ii) in numerical order according to the approved unique identifier of the debtors, (iii) geographically by county, and (iv) by crop year, and (c) containing the information referred to in subdivision (4) of section 52-1307; (2) That the Secretary of State cause the information on the master list

(3) That the Secretary of State cause the information on the master list to be published in lists (a) by farm product arranged alphabetically by debtor and (b) by farm product arranged numerically by the debtor's approved unique identifier. If a registered buyer so requests, the list or lists for such buyer may be limited to any county or group of counties where the farm product is produced or located or to any crop year or years or a combination of such identifiers;

(4) That all buyers of farm products, commission merchants, selling agents, and other persons may register with the Secretary of State to receive or obtain lists described in subdivision (3) of this section. Any buyer of farm products, commission merchant, selling agent, or other person conducting business from multiple locations shall be considered as one entity. Such registration shall be on an annual basis. The Secretary of State shall provide the form for registration which shall include the name and address of the registrant and the list or lists described in subdivision (3) of this section which such registrant desires to receive or obtain. A registration shall not be completed until the form provided is properly completed and received by the Secretary of State accompanied by the proper registration fee. The fee for annual registration shall be thirty dollars. A registrant shall pay an additional annual fee to receive or obtain lists described in subdivision (3) of this section. For each farm product list, the fee shall be an amount determined by the Secretary of State not to exceed two hundred dollars per year.

The Secretary of State shall maintain a record of the registrants and the lists and contents of the lists received or obtained by the registrants for a period of five years;

(5) That the lists as identified pursuant to subdivision (4) of this section be distributed or published by the Secretary of State not more often than once every month and not less often than once every three months as determined by the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State may provide for the distribution or publication of the lists on any medium and establish reasonable charges for such lists, not to exceed the charges provided for in subdivision (4) of this section.

The Secretary of State shall, by rule and regulation, establish the dates upon which the distributions or publications will be made, the dates after which a filing of an effective financing statement will not be reflected on the next distribution or publication of lists, and the dates by which a registrant must complete a registration to receive or obtain the next list; and

next distribution or publication of lists, and the dates by which a registrant must complete a registration to receive or obtain the next list; and (6) That the Secretary of State remove lapsed and terminated effective financing statements or notices of such financing statements from the master list prior to preparation of the lists required to be distributed or published by subdivision (5) of this section. Effective financing statements or any amendments or continuations of

Effective financing statements or any amendments or continuations of effective financing statements originally filed in the office of the county clerk that have been indexed and entered on the Secretary of State's central filing system need not be retained by the county filing office and may be disposed of or destroyed.

The Secretary of State shall apply to the Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture for (a) certification of the central filing system and (b) approval of the system or method of selecting an approved unique identifier.

The Secretary of State shall <u>remit</u> <u>deposit</u> any funds received pursuant to subdivision (4) of this section <u>to the State Treasurer for credit to</u> <u>in</u> the <u>Secretary of State</u> <u>Uniform Commercial Code</u> Cash Fund.

Sec. 20. Section 52-1313, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

52-1313 (1) Presentation for filing of an effective financing statement and the acceptance of the statement by the Secretary of State constitutes filing under sections 52-1301 to 52-1322.

(2) The fee for filing and indexing and for stamping a copy furnished by the secured party to show the date and place of filing of an effective financing statement, an amendment, or a continuation statement shall be fourteen dollars if the record is communicated in writing and eleven dollars if the record is communicated by another medium authorized by the Secretary of State ten dollars. There shall be no fee for the filing of a termination statement.

(3) The fee for attachments to all instruments submitted for filing shall be fifty cents per page.

(3) (4) The Secretary of State shall <u>remit</u> deposit any fees received pursuant to this section <u>to the State Treasurer for credit to</u> <u>in</u> the <u>Secretary</u> <u>of State</u> <u>Uniform Commercial Code</u> Cash Fund.

Sec. 21. Section 52-1316, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

52-1316 (1) Oral and written inquiries regarding information provided by the filing of effective financing statements may be made at any county clerk's office or the office of the Secretary of State during regular business hours. For each debtor name searched by the county clerk or Secretary of State, the The fee for furnishing file information shall be <u>five dollars for each inquiry</u> <u>communicated in writing and</u> four dollars and fifty cents <u>if the inquiry is</u> <u>communicated by another medium authorized by the</u> <u>for each debtor name searched</u> <u>by the county clerk or</u> Secretary of State. Written confirmation of an oral or written inquiry shall be mailed no later than the end of the next business day after the inquiry is received.

(2) The Secretary of State shall provide a system that assigns an identifying number to each inquiry made pursuant to subsection (1) of this section. Such number shall be given to the inquiring party at the time of the oral response and shall be included in the written confirmation. The Secretary of State and the county clerks shall maintain a record of inquiries made under this section identifying who made the inquiry, on whom the inquiry was made, and the date of the inquiry.

and the date of the inquiry. (3) The Secretary of State may provide for a computerized system for inquiry and confirmation which may be used in lieu of the inquiry and confirmation under subsection (1) of this section. When such a system is implemented and used, it shall have the same effect as an inquiry and confirmation under subsection (1) of this section.

(4) There shall be no fee charged for actual inspection of records of effective financing statements kept by the county clerk or the Secretary of State for the inspection of ten names or less per day by a single person. There shall be a uniform fee, in addition to any other charge for services payable to the county clerk or the Secretary of State, of one dollar per name for each inspection in excess of ten names per day by a single person.

(4) (5) The county clerk and Secretary of State and their employees or

agents shall be exempt from all personal liability as a result of any error or omission in providing information as required by this section except in cases of willful misconduct or gross negligence.

(5) (6) Fees received pursuant to this section by county clerks shall be deposited in the county general fund. <u>The Secretary of State shall remit the</u> fees received by the Secretary of State pursuant to this section to the State <u>Treasurer for credit to the Secretary of State Of the fees received pursuant to</u> this section by the Secretary of State for furnishing file information by electronic or other means, three dollars and fifty cents of each fee shall be deposited in the Uniform Commercial Code Cash Fund and one dollar of each fee shall be deposited in the Records Management Cash Fund.

Sec. 22. Section 52-1602, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018, is amended to read:

52-1602 (1) The master lien list prescribed in section 52-1601 shall be distributed or published by the Secretary of State not more often than once every month and not less often than once every three months on the date corresponding to the date on which the lists provided pursuant to sections 52-1301 to 52-1322 are distributed or published.

(2) Any person may register with the Secretary of State to receive or obtain the master lien list prescribed in section 52-1601. Such registration shall be on an annual basis. The Secretary of State shall provide the form for registration. A registration shall not be completed until the form provided is properly completed and received by the Secretary of State accompanied by the proper registration fee. The fee for annual registration shall be thirty dollars, except that a registration fee provided by this section in addition to be required to pay the registration fee provided by this section in addition to the registration period. A registrant under sections 52-1301 to 52-1322 for the same annual registration period. A registrant under sections 52-1601 to 52-1605 shall pay an additional annual fee to receive or obtain the master lien lists prescribed in section 52-1601. For each master lien list, the fee shall be an amount determined by the Secretary of State not to exceed two hundred dollars per year. The Secretary of State may provide for the distribution or publication of master lien lists, not to exceed the charges provided for in this subsection.

(3) The Secretary of State, by rule and regulation, shall establish the dates after which a filing of liens will not be reflected on the next distribution or publication of the master lien list and the date by which a registrant shall complete a registration in order to receive or obtain the next master lien list.

(4) The Secretary of State shall <u>remit</u> <del>deposit</del> any funds received pursuant to subsection (2) of this section <u>to the State Treasurer for credit to</u> <del>in</del> the <u>Secretary of State</u> <del>Uniform Commercial Code</del> Cash Fund.

Sec. 23. Section 64-306, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

64-306 The fee for registering or reregistering as an electronic notary shall be in addition to the fee required in section 33-102. The Secretary of State shall establish the fee by rule and regulation in an amount sufficient to cover the costs of administering the Electronic Notary Public Act, but the fee shall not exceed one hundred dollars. The Secretary of State shall remit fees received under this section to the State Treasurer for credit to the <u>Secretary of State</u> Administration Cash Fund for use in administering the Electronic Notary Public Act.

Sec. 24. Section 64-313, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

64-313 (1) An electronic certificate of authority evidencing the authenticity of the notary public's electronic signature and electronic notary seal of an electronic notary public of this state shall contain substantially the following words:

Certificate of Authority for an Electronic Notarial Act

(Electronic signature (and seal) of commissioning official)

(2) The Secretary of State may charge a fee of twenty dollars for issuing an electronic certificate of authority. The Secretary of State shall remit the fees to the State Treasurer for credit to the <u>Secretary of State</u> Administration Cash Fund.

Sec. 25. Section 64-405, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, is amended to read:

64-405 The fee for registering or renewing a registration as an online notary public shall be in addition to the fee required in section 33-102. The Secretary of State shall establish the fee by rule and regulation in an amount sufficient to cover the costs of administering the Online Notary Public Act, but the fee shall not exceed <u>one hundred</u> fifty dollars. The Secretary of State shall remit fees received under this section to the State Treasurer for credit to the <u>Secretary of State</u> Administration Cash Fund for use in administering the Online Notary Public Act.

Sec. 26. Section 64-415, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, is amended to read:

64-415 (1) Electronic evidence of the authenticity of the electronic signature and online notary seal of an online notary public of this state, if required, shall be attached to, or logically associated with, a document with an online notary public's electronic signature transmitted to another state or nation and shall be in the form of an electronic certificate of authority signed by the Secretary of State in conformance with any current and pertinent international treaties, agreements, and conventions subscribed to by the United States Government.

(2) An electronic certificate of authority evidencing the authenticity of the electronic signature and online notary seal of an online notary public of this state shall contain substantially the following words:

Certificate of Authority for an Online Notarial Act

official) certify that ...... (name, title, jurisdiction of commissioning official) certify that ...... (name of online notary public), the person named as an online notary public in the attached or associated document, was indeed registered as an online notary public for the State of Nebraska and authorized to act as such at the time of the document's electronic notarization. To verify this Certificate of Authority for an Online Notarial Act, I have included herewith my electronic signature this ..... day of

(Electronic signature (and seal) of commissioning official) (3) The Secretary of State may charge a fee of twenty dollars for issuing an electronic certificate of authority. The Secretary of State shall remit the fees to the State Treasurer for credit to the <u>Secretary of State</u> Administration Cash Fund for use in administering the Online Notary Public Act.

Sec. 27. Section 67-293, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

67-293 The filing fee for all filings pursuant to the Nebraska Uniform Limited Partnership Act, including amendments and name reservation, shall be thirty dollars if the filing is submitted in writing and twenty-five dollars if the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511 ten dollars plus the recording fees set forth in subdivision (4) of section 33-101, except that the filing fee for filing a certificate of limited partnership pursuant to section 67-240 and for filing an application for registration as a foreign limited partnership pursuant to section 67-281 shall be <u>one hundred ten dollars</u> if the filing is submitted in writing and one hundred dollars if the filing is <u>submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511</u> two hundred dollars plus such recording fees. A fee of one dollar per page shall be paid for a certified copy of any document on file pursuant to the act. The fees for filings pursuant to the act shall be paid to the Secretary of State and by him or her remitted to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit <u>sixty</u> fifty percent of such fees to the General Fund and <u>forty</u> <del>fifty</del> percent of such fees to the <u>Secretary of State</u> <del>Corporation</del> Cash Fund.

Sec. 28. Section 67-462, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

67-462 The filing fee for filing a statement of partnership authority pursuant to section 67-415, a statement of qualification pursuant to section 67-454, or a statement of foreign qualification pursuant to section 67-458 is one hundred ten dollars if the filing is submitted in writing and one hundred dollars if the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511 two hundred dollars plus the recording fees specified in subdivision (4) of section 33-101. The filing fee for all other filings by partnerships or limited liability partnerships pursuant to the Uniform Partnership Act of 1998 is thirty dollars if the filing is submitted in writing and twenty-five dollars if the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511 ten dollars <u>construction of the fees to the General Fund and forty fifty percent of the fees to the Secretary of State Corporation Cash Fund.</u>

to read:

69-1204 (1) Any person desiring to obtain a license to engage in the debt management business in this state shall file with the secretary an application in writing, under oath, setting forth <u>the person's</u> his or her business name, <u>the person's</u> his or her social security number if the applicant is an individual, the exact location of <u>the person's</u> his or her office, <u>the</u> names and addresses of all officers and directors if an association or a corporation, if a partnership, the partnership name and the names and addresses of all partners, and if a limited liability company, the company name and the names and addresses of all members, and a copy of the certificate of registration of trade name, certificate of partnership, articles of organization, or articles of incorporation.

(2) At the time of filing the application, the applicant shall pay to the secretary a license fee of two hundred dollars for the main office within each county and one hundred dollars for each additional office. An initial investigation fee of two hundred dollars shall also be paid to the secretary at the time of filing the application.

(3) At the time of filing the application, the applicant shall furnish a bond to the people of the state in the sum of ten thousand dollars, conditioned

upon the faithful accounting of all money collected upon accounts entrusted to such person engaged in debt management, and <u>the person's</u> <u>their</u> employees and agents. The aggregate liability of the surety to all claimants doing business with the office for which the bond is filed shall in no event exceed the amount of such bond. The bond or bonds shall be approved by the secretary and filed in the office of the Secretary of State. No person, firm, limited liability company, or corporation shall engage in the business of debt management until a good and sufficient bond is filed in accordance with <u>the provisions of</u> sections 69-1201 to 69-1217.

(4) Each licensee shall furnish with <u>the</u> his or her application a blank copy of the contract <u>that the licensee</u> he or she intends to use between <u>the</u> <u>licensee</u> himself or herself and the debtor and shall notify the secretary of all changes and amendments thereto within thirty days <u>after</u> of such changes and amendments.

(5) The license issued under sections 69-1201 to 69-1217 shall expire on December 31 next following its issuance unless sooner surrendered, revoked, or suspended, but may be renewed as provided in such sections.

(6) The secretary shall remit the fees received pursuant to this section to the State Treasurer for credit to the Secretary of State Cash Fund.

Sec. 30. Section 69-1206, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

69-1206 Each licensee on or before December 1 may make application to the secretary for renewal of its license. The application shall be on the form prescribed by the secretary, and shall be accompanied by a fee of one hundred dollars, together with a bond as in the case of an original application. A separate application shall be made for each office. The secretary shall remit the fees received pursuant to this section to the State Treasurer for credit to the Secretary of State Cash Fund.

Sec. 31. Section 71-3204, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

71-3204 (1) The secretary <u>may</u> shall have power and authority to adopt and promulgate and to alter from time to time rules and regulations relating to the administration of, but not inconsistent with, the provisions of sections 71-3201 to 71-3213.

71-3201 to 71-3213. (2) The secretary shall establish fees for initial and renewal applications for applicants at rates sufficient to cover the costs of administering sections 71-3201 to 71-3213. <u>The secretary shall remit the fees</u> <u>received pursuant to this section to the State Treasurer for credit to the</u> <u>Secretary of State Cash Fund.</u>

Sec. 32. Section 77-3903, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

77-3903 (1)(a) A notice of lien provided for in the Uniform State Tax Lien Registration and Enforcement Act upon real property shall be presented in the office of the Secretary of State. Such notice of lien shall be transmitted by the Secretary of State to and filed in the office of the register of deeds by the register of deeds of the county or counties in which the real property subject to the lien is situated as designated in the notice of lien. The register of deeds shall enter the notice in the alphabetical state tax lien index, showing on one line the name and residence of the person liable named in such notice, the last four digits of the social security number or the federal tax identification number of such person, the Tax Commissioner's or Commissioner of Labor's serial number of such notice, the date and hour of filing, and the amount due. Such presentments to the Secretary of State may be made by direct input to the Secretary of State's data base or by other electronic means. All such notices of lien shall be retained in numerical order in a file designated state tax lien notices, except that in offices filing by the roll form of microfilm pursuant to section 23-1517.01, the original notices need not be retained. A lien subject to this subsection shall be effective upon real property when filed by the register of deeds as provided in this subsection.

(b) A notice of lien provided for in the Uniform State Tax Lien Registration and Enforcement Act upon personal property shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall enter the notice in the state's central tax lien index, showing on one line the name and residence of the person liable named in such notice, the last four digits of the social security number or the federal tax identification number of such person, the Tax Commissioner's or Commissioner of Labor's serial number of such notice, the date and hour of filing, and the amount due. Such filings with the Secretary of State may be filed by direct input to the Secretary of State's data base or by other electronic means. All such notices of lien shall be retained in numerical order in a file designated state tax lien notices.

(2) The uniform fee, payable to the Secretary of State, for presenting for filing, releasing, continuing, or subordinating or for filing, releasing, continuing, or subordinating each tax lien pursuant to the Uniform State Tax Lien Registration and Enforcement Act shall be two times the fee required for recording instruments with the register of deeds as provided in section 33-109. There shall be no fee for the filing of a termination statement. The uniform fee for each county more than one designated pursuant to subdivision (1)(a) of this section shall be the fee required for recording instruments with the register of deeds as provided in section 32-109. There shall be the fee required for recording instruments with the register of deeds as provided in section 33-109. The Secretary of State shall remit deposit each fee received pursuant to this subsection to the State Treasurer for credit to the Secretary of State in the Uniform Commercial Code Cash Fund, except that of - Of the fees received and deposited pursuant to this

subsection, the Secretary of State shall remit the fee required for recording instruments with the register of deeds as provided in section 33-109 to the register of deeds of a county for each designation of such county in a filing pursuant to subdivision (1)(a) of this section.

(3) The Secretary of State shall bill the Tax Commissioner or Commissioner of Labor on a monthly basis for fees for documents presented to or filed with the Secretary of State. No payment of any fee shall be required at the time of presenting or filing any such lien document. Sec. 33. Section 81-1921, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended

to read:

81-1921 The fee for all initial examiner's licenses shall be fifty dollars. The license shall expire on December 31 following its issuance. An examiner's license may be renewed from year to year upon payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars. Additional provisions for licenses may be provided for by rules and regulations adopted and promulgated by the secretary. The secretary shall remit the fees received pursuant to this section to the State Treasurer

for credit to the Secretary of State Cash Fund. Sec. 34. Section 81-1922, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

81-1922 The fee for all intern licenses shall be fifteen dollars. The license shall expire twelve months following its issuance. The secretary may renew or extend an intern's license upon a showing of good cause for any period not to exceed six months for a fee of fifteen dollars. The secretary shall remit the fees received pursuant to this section to the State Treasurer for credit to the Secretary of State Cash Fund.

Sec. 35. Section 84-511, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

84-511 The Secretary of State may provide for the electronic transmission and filing of documents delivered for filing under (1) the Joint Public Agency <u>Act, the Nebraska Benefit Corporation Act, the Nebraska Limited Cooperative</u> Association Act, the Nebraska Model Business Corporation Act, the Nebraska Nonprofit Corporation Act, the Nebraska Professional Corporation Act, the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act, the Nebraska Uniform Limited Partnership Act, <u>the Nebraska Uniform Protected Series Act,</u> the Nonstock Cooperative Marketing Act, the Trademark Registration Act, and the Uniform Partnership Act of 1998 and (2) any filing provisions of sections 21-1301 to 21-1306, 21-1333 to 21-1339, and 87-208 to 87-219.01. The Secretary of State shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to implement this section. Sec. 36. Section 84-906.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018,

is amended to read:

84-906.03 It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State: (1) To establish and cause to be compiled, indexed by subject, and published a codification system for all rules and regulations filed to be

designated the Nebraska Administrative Code; (2) To cause the Nebraska Administrative Code to be computerized to facilitate agencies in revision of their rules and regulations and provide research capabilities; and

(3) To post a current copy of existing rules and regulations as accepted (3) To post a current copy of existing rules and regulations as accepted by <u>the Secretary of State</u> him or her as filed on <u>the</u> his or her web site <u>of the</u> <u>Secretary of State</u>; to distribute a current copy of any existing rules and regulations as accepted by <u>the Secretary of State</u> him or her as filed to all interested persons on request at a price fixed to cover costs of printing, handling, and mailing; and to distribute, on a regular basis, copies of any or all modifications or amendments to agency rules and regulations as accepted by the Secretary of State him or her as filed to all interested persons on request at a price fixed to cover costs of printing, handling, and mailing; and -

(4) To remit fees collected pursuant to this section to the State Treasurer for credit to the Secretary of State Cash Fund.

Sec. 37. Section 84-1205, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

to read: 84-1205 (1) The board may employ or contract with a network manager. A network manager may be an individual, a private entity, a state agency, or creather covernmental subdivision. The board shall prepare criteria and network manager may be an individual, a private entity, a state agency, or another governmental subdivision. The board shall prepare criteria and specifications for the network manager in consultation with the Department of Administrative Services. Such criteria shall include procedures for submission of proposals by an individual, a private entity, a state agency, or another governmental subdivision. Selection of the network manager shall comply with all applicable procedures of the department. The board may peopliate and enter all applicable procedures of the department. The board may negotiate and enter into a contract with the selected network manager which provides the duties, responsibilities, and compensation of the network manager.

(2) The network manager shall provide the infrastructure and services needed to implement and operate the portal and shall direct and supervise the day-to-day operations and expansion of the portal. The network manager shall (a) attend meetings of the board, (b) keep a record of all portal operations, which shall be the property of the board, (c) maintain and be the custodian of all financial and operational records, and (d) annually update and revise the business plan for the portal in consultation with and under the direction of the board.

(3) The board shall finance the operation and maintenance of the portal from revenue generated pursuant to sections  $\frac{52-1316}{60-483_7}$  and 84-1205.02 and subsection (d) of section 9-525, Uniform Commercial Code.

Sec. 38. Section 84-1227, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, is amended to read:

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84-1227 There is hereby established in the state treasury a special fund to be known as the Records Management Cash Fund which, when appropriated by the Legislature, shall be expended by the Secretary of State for the purposes of providing records management services and assistance to state and local agencies, for development and maintenance of the portal for providing electronic access to public records or electronic information and services, and for grants to a state or local agency as provided in subdivision (1)(j) of section 84-1204. All fees and charges for the purpose of records management services and analysis received by the Secretary of State from the local agencies shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to such fund. Transfers may be made from the fund to the General Fund, the Secretary of State Administration Cash Fund, or the Election Administration Fund at the direction of the Legislature. The State Treasurer, at the direction of the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative

Services, shall transfer five hundred thousand dollars from the Records Management Cash Fund to the Information Management Revolving Fund on or before June 30, 2016. Any money in the Records Management Cash Fund available for investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

Sec. 39. Section 87-130, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

87-130 Subject to the limitations set forth in the Trademark Registration Act, any person who uses a mark may file in the office of the secretary, in a manner complying with the requirements of the secretary, an application for registration of that mark including, but not limited to, the following information:

(1) The name and business address of the person applying for such registration and, if a corporation or other type of business entity except a partnership, the state of incorporation or organization, or if a partnership, the state in which the partnership is organized and the names of the general partners as specified by the secretary. partners, as specified by the secretary;

(2) The goods or services on or in connection with which the mark is used and the mode or manner in which the mark is used on or in connection with such goods or services and the class in which such goods or services fall;

(3) The date when the mark was first used anywhere and the date when it was first used in this state by the applicant or a predecessor in interest; and

(4) A statement that the applicant is the owner of the mark, that the mark is in use, and that, to the knowledge of the person verifying the application, no other person has registered, either federally or in this state, or has the right to use such mark either in the identical form or in such near resemblance as to be likely, when applied to the goods or services of such other person, to cause confusion or mistake or to deceive.

The secretary may also require a statement as to whether an application to register the mark, or portions or a composite thereof, has been filed by the applicant or a predecessor in interest in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and if so, the applicant shall provide full particulars with respect thereto, including the filing date and serial number of each application, the status of each application, and if any application was finally refused registration or has otherwise not resulted in a registration, the reasons for the refusal or rejection. The secretary may also require that a drawing of the mark, complying with such requirements as the secretary may specify, accompany the application. The application shall be signed and varified by each affirmation or declaration subject to period. verified, by oath, affirmation, or declaration subject to perjury laws, by the applicant or by a member of the firm or an officer of the corporation or association applying. The application shall be submitted in duplicate and shall be accompanied by three specimens showing the mark as actually used and by the application fee of one hundred ten dollars if submitted in writing and one hundred dollars if submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511. The fee for filing under this section shall be payable to the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall remit all such fees collected to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit sixty percent of the fees to the General Fund and forty percent of the fees to the Secretary of State Cash Fund payable to the secretary.

Sec. 40. Section 87-133, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

87-133 (1) A registration of a mark under the Trademark Registration Act is effective for ten years after the date of registration and, upon application filed within six months prior to the expiration, in a manner complying with the requirements of the secretary, the registration may be renewed for a like term from the end of the expiring term. A renewal fee of one hundred dollars, payable to the secretary, shall accompany the application for renewal of the registration. The renewal fee shall be one hundred ten dollars if the filing is submitted in writing and one hundred dollars if the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511. A registration may be renewed for successive periods of ten years in like manner.

(2) Any registration in force under sections 87-111 to 87-125 on July 13, 2000, as such sections existed prior to such date, is effective and shall continue in full force and effect for the unexpired term of such registration. Such registration may be renewed by filing an application for renewal with the secretary complying with the requirements of the secretary and paying the renewal fee within six months prior to the expiration of the registration. (3) Any suit, proceeding, or appeal pending on July 13, 2000, shall be decided according to sections 87-111 to 87-125 as such sections existed prior

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to July 13, 2000.

(4) All applications for renewal under the act shall include a verified statement that the mark has been and is still in use and include a specimen showing actual use of the mark on or in connection with the goods or services.

(5) The fees imposed under this section shall be payable to the Secretary State. The Secretary of State shall remit all such fees collected to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit sixty percent of the fees to the General Fund and forty percent of the fees to the Secretary of State Cash Fund.

Sec. 41. Section 87-134, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

87-134 (1) Any mark and its registration under the Trademark Registration Act is assignable with the goodwill of the business in which the mark is used or with that part of the goodwill of the business connected with the use of and symbolized by the mark. Assignment shall be by instruments in writing duly executed and may be recorded with the secretary upon the payment of <u>a</u> the recording fee payable to the secretary who, upon recording of the assignment, shall issue in the name of the assignee a new certificate for the remainder of the term of the registration or of the last renewal thereof. The fee shall be the term of the registration or of the last renewal thereof. <u>The fee shall be</u> thirty dollars if the instrument is submitted in writing and twenty-five <u>dollars if the instrument is submitted electronically pursuant to section</u> <u>84-511.</u> An assignment of any registration under the Trademark Registration Act is void as against any subsequent purchaser for valuable consideration without notice unless it is recorded with the secretary within three months after the date of the assignment or prior to such subsequent purchase.

(2)(a) Any registrant or applicant effecting a change of the name of the person to whom the mark was issued or for whom an application was filed or a change of address or state of incorporation or organization may record a certificate of such change with the secretary upon the payment of  $\underline{a}$  the recording fee of thirty dollars if submitted in writing and twenty-five dollars if submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511. A registrant or an

applicant may be required to submit documented proof of its name change at the discretion of the secretary. (b) The secretary may issue in the name of the assignee a certificate of registration of an assigned application. The secretary may issue in the name of the assignee a new certificate of registration for the remainder of the term of the registration or last renewal of the registration.

(3) Other instruments which relate to a mark registered or application pending pursuant to the act, such as licenses, security interests, or mortgages, may be recorded in the discretion of the secretary if the instrument is in writing and duly executed.

(4) Acknowledgment shall be prima facie evidence of the execution of an assignment or other instrument and, when recorded by the secretary, the record

shall be prima facie evidence of execution. (5) A photocopy of any instrument referred to in this section shall be accepted for recording if it is certified by any of the parties to the instrument, or their successors, to be a true and correct copy of the original. (6) In a registration that resulted from an application that was filed

before the effective date of a change to the Trademark Registration Act or any rules or regulations adopted and promulgated pursuant to the act, the registrant may be allowed to file an amendment to the registration in order to comply with the current requirements of the act and the rules and regulations. The registrant shall pay a recording fee for such amendment of thirty dollars if submitted in writing and twenty-five dollars if submitted electronically

pursuant to section 84-511. (7) The fees imposed under this section shall be payable to the Secretary State. The Secretary of State shall remit all such fees collected to the <u>State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit sixty percent of the fees to</u> the General Fund and forty percent of the fees to the Secretary of State Cash Fund.

Sec. 42. Section 87-210, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

87-210 (1) Subject to the limitations set forth in sections 87-208 to 87-219.01, any person who adopts a trade name for use in this state may file in the office of the Secretary of State on a form furnished by the Secretary of State an application, in duplicate, for registration of the trade name setting forth, but not limited to, the following information:

(a) The name and street address of the applicant for registration and, if a corporation or other type of business entity, the state of incorporation or organization;

(b) The trade name sought to be registered;(c) The general nature of the business in fact conducted by the applicant; (d) The length of time during which the trade name has been used in this state;

(e) The signature of the applicant; and

(f) A filing fee of one hundred <u>ten dollars if the application is</u> submitted in writing and one hundred dollars if the application is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511.

(2) Upon compliance by the applicant with the requirements of sections 87-208 to 87-219.01, the Secretary of State shall return the duplicate copy stamped with the date of filing to the applicant or the representative submitting the applications for filing.

(3) The fees for filing under this section shall be payable to the

Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall remit all such fees collected to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit sixty percent of the fees to the General Fund and forty percent of the fees to the Secretary of State Cash Fund.

Sec. 43. Section 87-211, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

87-211 (1) Registration of a trade name under sections 87-208 to 87-219.01 shall be effective for a term of ten years from the date of registration and, upon application filed in duplicate within six months prior to the expiration of such term on a form to be furnished by the Secretary of State, the registration may be renewed for a like term. A renewal fee of one hundred dollars payable to the Secretary of State shall accompany the application for renewal of the registration. The renewal fee shall be one hundred ten dollars if the filing is submitted in writing and one hundred dollars if the filing is <u>submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511.</u> (2) A trade name registration may be renewed for successive periods of ten

years in like manner.

(3) The Secretary of State shall notify registrants of trade names under sections 87-208 to 87-219.01 of the necessity of renewal within the year next preceding the expiration of the ten years from the date of registration or of last renewal by writing to the last-known street address of the registrants.

(4) Any registration in force on August 27, 1971, shall expire ten years from the date of the registration or of the last renewal thereof, whichever is later, and may be renewed by filing an application with the Secretary of State on a form furnished by him or her and paying the renewal fee as provided in this section within six months prior to the expiration of the registration.

(5) All applications for renewals under sections 87-208 to 87-219.01 whether of registrations made under sections 87-208 to 87-219.01 or of registrations effected under any prior act shall include a statement that the

trade name is still in use in this state.
 (6) A registrant may change its name, street address, and, if the (6) A registrant may change its name, street address, and, if the registrant is a corporation or other type of business entity, its state of incorporation or organization by filing a statement of change with the Secretary of State on a form to be furnished by the Secretary of State and paying a fee of <u>thirty ten</u> dollars <u>if the filing is submitted in writing and twenty-five dollars if the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511</u>. A registrant may be required to submit documented proof of its name change at the discretion of the Secretary of State.

(7) The fees imposed under this section shall be payable to the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall remit all such fees to the State <u>Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit sixty percent of the fees to the</u> <u>General Fund and forty percent of the fees to the Secretary of State Cash Fund.</u> Sec. 44. Section 87-212, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended

to read:

87-212 Any trade name registered under sections 87-208 to 87-219.01 shall be assignable with the goodwill of the business in which the trade name is used. Assignment shall be by an instrument in writing duly executed, in duplicate, and may be recorded with the Secretary of State upon the payment of a fee of thirty dollars if the filing is submitted in writing and twenty-five dollars if the filing is submitted electronically pursuant to section 84-511 five dollars. The street address, city, and state of the assignee must be included in the assignment. Upon recording of the assignment, the Secretary of State shall return the duplicate copy stamped with the date of filing to the applicant or the representative submitting the applications for filing. An assignment of any registration under sections 87-208 to 87-219.01 shall be void as against any subsequent purchaser for value without notice unless the assignment is recorded with the Secretary of State prior to the subsequent purchase. <u>The fees imposed under this section shall be payable to the Secretary</u> of State. The Secretary of State shall remit all such fees to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit sixty percent of the fees to the General Fund and forty percent of the fees to the Secretary of State Cash Fund.

Sec. 45. Section 9-525, Uniform Commercial Code, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018, is amended to read:

9-525 Fees.

(a) The fee for filing and indexing a record under this part is:

(1) Except as provided in subdivision (a)(3) (a)(4) of this section, fourteen ten dollars if the record is communicated in writing and consists of one page;

(2) Except as provided in subdivision (a)(4) of this section, ten dollars plus fifty cents per page for the second page and for each additional page if the record is communicated in writing and consists of more than one page;

(2) (3) Except as provided in subdivision (a)(3) (a)(4) of this section, eleven eight dollars if the record is communicated by another medium authorized

by filing-office rule; and (3) One hundred (4) Seventy-five dollars, plus fifty cents per page for the second and each subsequent page of the filing, if the debtor is a transmitting utility and the filing so indicates. (b) The number of names required to be indexed does not affect the amount

of the fee in subsection (a).

 (c) There is no fee for the filing of a termination statement.
 (d)(1) The fee for responding to a request for information from the filing office, including for communicating whether there is on file any financing statement naming a particular debtor, is five four dollars if the request is

(2) The fee for responding to a request for information from the filing office, including for communicating whether there is on file any financing statement naming a particular debtor, is four dollars and fifty cents if the request is communicated by another medium authorized by filing-office rule.

(e) The fees charged by county clerks for inquiries and other services regarding information in the centralized computer system shall be the same as

<u>set forth in this section.</u> (f) The Secretary of State shall remit the fees received by the Secretary State pursuant to this section to the State Treasurer for credit to the Secretary of State Cash Fund.

(2) Of the fees received pursuant to this subsection by the Secretary of State, one dollar of each fee shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Records Management Cash Fund.

Sec. 46. Section 9-528, Uniform Commercial Code, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

9-528 Information provided by filing; telephone and written inquiries; filing office; Secretary of State; duties; fees; liability; when. (a) Inquiries regarding information contained in a record maintained by the filing office shall be accepted and answered by the filing office. The fee for attestation of the information by the filing office, in addition to any other charges for services payable to the filing office, is four dollars.

(b) Officials, employees, and agents of the filing office are exempted from all personal liability as a result of any error or omission in providing information as required by this part except in cases of willful misconduct or gross negligence.

(c) There is no fee for actual inspection of records maintained by the Secretary of State for the inspection of ten names or less per day by a single person. The fee, in addition to any other charge for services payable to the Secretary of State, for each inspection in excess of ten names per day by a

single person, is one dollar per name. (c) (d) The Secretary of State shall provide twenty-four-hours-a-day seven-days-a-week service for inquiries made by electronic means. The fee for providing a printed copy of the information by the Secretary of State is fifty cents per page.

(d) The Secretary of State shall remit the fees received pursuant to this section to the State Treasurer for credit to the Secretary of State Cash Fund.

Sec. 47. This act becomes operative on July 1, 2021. Sec. 48. Original sections 21-186, 21-2216, 21-2924, 25-3308, 33-102, 45-603, 45-606, 45-620, 45-806, 48-2609, 52-1313, 52-1316, 64-306, 64-313, 67-293, 67-462, 69-1204, 69-1206, 71-3204, 77-3903, 81-1921, 81-1922, 84-511, 84-1205, 87-130, 87-133, 87-134, 87-210, 87-211, and 87-212, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 13-2525, 21-205, 21-414, 21-1905, 33-101, 52-1004, 52-1212, 52-1602, and 84-006, 62-2005, 52-1414, 54-1405, 54-140 Statutes of Nebraska, sections 13-2525, 21-205, 21-414, 21-1905, 33-101, 52-1004, 52-1312, 52-1602, and 84-906.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018, sections 21-192, 64-405, 64-415, and 84-1227, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, section 9-528, Uniform Commercial Code, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 9-525, Uniform Commercial Code, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018, are repealed. Sec. 49. The following sections are outright repealed: Sections 76-1522 and 84-510, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, section 84-907.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018, section 45-621, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, and section 9-531, Uniform Commercial Code, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018.