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AN ACT

To revise the banking and bankruptcy insolvency laws with respect to the termination and netting of financial contracts, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- $2\ \ tives\ of\ the\ United\ States\ of\ America\ in\ Congress\ assembled,$

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2	This Act may be cited as the "Financial Contract
3	Netting Improvement Act of 2000".
4	SEC. 2. TREATMENT OF CERTAIN AGREEMENTS BY CON-
5	SERVATORS OR RECEIVERS OF INSURED DE-
6	POSITORY INSTITUTIONS.
7	(a) Definition of Qualified Financial Con-
8	TRACT.—Section 11(e)(8)(D)(i) of the Federal Deposit In-
9	surance Act (12 U.S.C. $1821(e)(8)(D)(i)$) is amended by
10	inserting ", resolution or order" after "any similar agree-
11	ment that the Corporation determines by regulation".
12	(b) Definition of Securities Contract.—Sec-
13	tion $11(e)(8)(D)(ii)$ of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act
14	(12 U.S.C. $1821(e)(8)(D)(ii)$) is amended to read as fol-
15	lows:
16	"(ii) Securities contract.—The
17	term 'securities contract'—
18	"(I) means a contract for the
19	purchase, sale, or loan of a security, a
20	certificate of deposit, a mortgage loan,
21	or any interest in a mortgage loan, a
22	group or index of securities, certifi-
23	cates of deposit, or mortgage loans or
24	interests therein (including any inter-
25	est therein or based on the value
26	thereof) or any option on any of the

1	foregoing, including any option to
2	purchase or sell any such security,
3	certificate of deposit, loan, interest,
4	group or index, or option;
5	"(II) does not include any pur-
6	chase, sale, or repurchase obligation
7	under a participation in a commercial
8	mortgage loan unless the Corporation
9	determines by regulation, resolution,
10	or order to include any such agree-
11	ment within the meaning of such
12	term;
13	"(III) means any option entered
14	into on a national securities exchange
15	relating to foreign currencies;
16	"(IV) means the guarantee by or
17	to any securities clearing agency of
18	any settlement of cash, securities, cer-
19	tificates of deposit, mortgage loans or
20	interests therein, group or index of se-
21	curities, certificates of deposit, or
22	mortgage loans or interests therein
23	(including any interest therein or
24	based on the value thereof) or option
25	on any of the foregoing, including any

1	option to purchase or sell any such se-
2	curity, certificate of deposit, loan, in-
3	terest, group or index, or option;
4	"(V) means any margin loan;
5	"(VI) means any other agree-
6	ment or transaction that is similar to
7	any agreement or transaction referred
8	to in this clause;
9	"(VII) means any combination of
10	the agreements or transactions re-
11	ferred to in this clause;
12	"(VIII) means any option to
13	enter into any agreement or trans-
14	action referred to in this clause;
15	"(IX) means a master agreement
16	that provides for an agreement or
17	transaction referred to in subclause
18	(I), (III), (IV), (V), (VI), (VII), or
19	(VIII), together with all supplements
20	to any such master agreement, with-
21	out regard to whether the master
22	agreement provides for an agreement
23	or transaction that is not a securities
24	contract under this clause, except that
25	the master agreement shall be consid-

1	ered to be a securities contract under
2	this clause only with respect to each
3	agreement or transaction under the
4	master agreement that is referred to
5	in subclause (I), (III), (IV), (V), (VI),
6	(VII), or (VIII); and
7	"(X) means any security agree-
8	ment or arrangement or other credit
9	enhancement related to any agree-
10	ment or transaction referred to in this
11	clause.".
12	(c) Definition of Commodity Contract.—Sec-
13	tion 11(e)(8)(D)(iii) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act
14	(12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)(D)(iii)) is amended to read as fol-
15	lows:
16	"(iii) Commodity contract.—The
17	term 'commodity contract' means—
18	"(I) with respect to a futures
19	commission merchant, a contract for
20	the purchase or sale of a commodity
21	for future delivery on, or subject to
22	the rules of, a contract market or
23	board of trade;

1	"(II) with respect to a foreign fu-
2	tures commission merchant, a foreign
3	future;
4	"(III) with respect to a leverage
5	transaction merchant, a leverage
6	transaction;
7	"(IV) with respect to a clearing
8	organization, a contract for the pur-
9	chase or sale of a commodity for fu-
10	ture delivery on, or subject to the
11	rules of, a contract market or board
12	of trade that is cleared by such clear-
13	ing organization, or commodity option
14	traded on, or subject to the rules of,
15	a contract market or board of trade
16	that is cleared by such clearing orga-
17	nization;
18	"(V) with respect to a commodity
19	options dealer, a commodity option;
20	"(VI) any other agreement or
21	transaction that is similar to any
22	agreement or transaction referred to
23	in this clause;

1	"(VII) any combination of the
2	agreements or transactions referred to
3	in this clause;
4	"(VIII) any option to enter into
5	any agreement or transaction referred
6	to in this clause;
7	"(IX) a master agreement that
8	provides for an agreement or trans-
9	action referred to in subclause (I),
10	(II), (III) , (IV) , (V) , (VI) , (VII) , or
11	(VIII), together with all supplements
12	to any such master agreement, with-
13	out regard to whether the master
14	agreement provides for an agreement
15	or transaction that is not a com-
16	modity contract under this clause, ex-
17	cept that the master agreement shall
18	be considered to be a commodity con-
19	tract under this clause only with re-
20	spect to each agreement or trans-
21	action under the master agreement
22	that is referred to in subclause (I),
23	(II), (III), (IV), (V), (VI), (VII), or
24	(VIII): or

1	"(X) any security agreement or
2	arrangement or other credit enhance-
3	ment related to any agreement or
4	transaction referred to in this
5	clause.".
6	(d) Definition of Forward Contract.—Section
7	11(e)(8)(D)(iv) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12
8	U.S.C. $1821(e)(8)(D)(iv)$) is amended to read as follows:
9	"(iv) FORWARD CONTRACT.—The
10	term 'forward contract' means—
11	"(I) a contract (other than a
12	commodity contract) for the purchase,
13	sale, or transfer of a commodity or
14	any similar good, article, service,
15	right, or interest which is presently or
16	in the future becomes the subject of
17	dealing in the forward contract trade,
18	or product or byproduct thereof, with
19	a maturity date more than 2 days
20	after the date the contract is entered
21	into, including a repurchase trans-
22	action, reverse repurchase transaction,
23	consignment, lease, swap, hedge
24	transaction, deposit, loan, option, allo-
25	cated transaction, unallocated trans-

1	action, or any other similar agree-
2	ment;
3	"(II) any combination of agree-
4	ments or transactions referred to in
5	subclauses (I) and (III);
6	"(III) any option to enter into
7	any agreement or transaction referred
8	to in subclause (I) or (II);
9	"(IV) a master agreement that
10	provides for an agreement or trans-
11	action referred to in subclause (I),
12	(II), or (III), together with all supple-
13	ments to any such master agreement,
14	without regard to whether the master
15	agreement provides for an agreement
16	or transaction that is not a forward
17	contract under this clause, except that
18	the master agreement shall be consid-
19	ered to be a forward contract under
20	this clause only with respect to each
21	agreement or transaction under the
22	master agreement that is referred to
23	in subclause (I), (II), or (III); or
24	"(V) any security agreement or
25	arrangement or other credit enhance-

1	ment related to any agreement or
2	transaction referred to in subclause
3	(I), (II), (III), or (IV).".
4	(e) Definition of Repurchase Agreement.—
5	Section 11(e)(8)(D)(v) of the Federal Deposit Insurance
6	Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)(D)(v)) is amended to read as
7	follows:
8	"(v) Repurchase agreement.—The
9	term 'repurchase agreement' (which defini-
10	tion also applies to the term 'reverse repur-
11	chase agreement')—
12	"(I) means an agreement, includ-
13	ing related terms, which provides for
14	the transfer of 1 or more certificates
15	of deposit, mortgage-related securities
16	(as such term is defined in the Securi-
17	ties Exchange Act of 1934), mortgage
18	loans, interests in mortgage-related
19	securities or mortgage loans, eligible
20	bankers' acceptances, qualified foreign
21	government securities or securities
22	that are direct obligations of, or that
23	are fully guaranteed by, the United
24	States or any agency of the United
25	States against the transfer of funds

1	by the transferee of such certificates
2	of deposit, eligible bankers' accept-
3	ances, securities, loans, or interests
4	with a simultaneous agreement by
5	such transferee to transfer to the
6	transferor thereof certificates of de-
7	posit, eligible bankers' acceptances,
8	securities, loans, or interests as de-
9	scribed above, at a date certain not
10	later than 1 year after such transfers
11	or on demand, against the transfer of
12	funds, or any other similar agreement;
13	"(II) does not include any repur-
14	chase obligation under a participation
15	in a commercial mortgage loan unless
16	the Corporation determines by regula-
17	tion, resolution, or order to include
18	any such participation within the
19	meaning of such term;
20	"(III) means any combination of
21	agreements or transactions referred to
22	in subclauses (I) and (IV);
23	"(IV) means any option to enter
24	into any agreement or transaction re-
25	ferred to in subclause (I) or (III);

1	"(V) means a master agreement
2	that provides for an agreement or
3	transaction referred to in subclause
4	(I), (III), or (IV), together with all
5	supplements to any such master
6	agreement, without regard to whether
7	the master agreement provides for an
8	agreement or transaction that is not a
9	repurchase agreement under this
10	clause, except that the master agree-
11	ment shall be considered to be a re-
12	purchase agreement under this sub-
13	clause only with respect to each agree-
14	ment or transaction under the master
15	agreement that is referred to in sub-
16	clause (I), (III), or (IV); and
17	"(VI) means any security agree-
18	ment or arrangement or other credit
19	enhancement related to any agree-
20	ment or transaction referred to in
21	subclause (I), (III), (IV), or (V).
22	For purposes of this clause, the term
23	'qualified foreign government security'
24	means a security that is a direct obligation
25	of, or that is fully guaranteed by, the cen-

1 tral government of a member of the Orga-2 nization for Economic Cooperation and Development (as determined by regulation 3 or order adopted by the appropriate Fed-5 eral banking authority).". DEFINITION OF SWAP AGREEMENT.—Section 6 7 11(e)(8)(D)(vi) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12) 8 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)(D)(vi) is amended to read as follows: "(vi) SWAP AGREEMENT.—The term 9 10 'swap agreement' means— 11 "(I) any agreement, including the 12 terms and conditions incorporated by 13 reference in any such agreement, 14 which is an interest rate swap, option, 15 future, or forward agreement, includ-16 ing a rate floor, rate cap, rate collar, 17 cross-currency rate swap, and basis 18 swap; a spot, same day-tomorrow, to-19 morrow-next, forward, or other for-20 eign exchange or precious metals 21 agreement; a currency swap, option, 22 future, or forward agreement; an eq-23 uity index or equity swap, option, fu-24 ture, or forward agreement; a debt 25 index or debt swap, option, future, or

1	forward agreement; a credit spread or
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	credit swap, option, future, or forward
3	agreement; a commodity index or
4	commodity swap, option, future, or
5	forward agreement; or a weather
6	swap, weather derivative, or a weather
7	option;
8	"(II) any agreement or trans-
9	action similar to any other agreement
10	or transaction referred to in this
11	clause that is presently, or in the fu-
12	ture becomes, regularly entered into
13	in the swap market (including terms
14	and conditions incorporated by ref-
15	erence in such agreement) and that is
16	a forward, swap, future, or option on
17	1 or more rates, currencies, commod-
18	ities, equity securities or other equity
19	instruments, debt securities or other
20	debt instruments, or economic indices
21	or measures of economic risk or value;
22	"(III) any combination of agree-
23	ments or transactions referred to in
24	this clause;

1	"(IV) any option to enter into
2	any agreement or transaction referred
3	to in this clause;
4	"(V) a master agreement that
5	provides for an agreement or trans-
6	action referred to in subclause (I),
7	(II), (III), or (IV), together with all
8	supplements to any such master
9	agreement, without regard to whether
10	the master agreement contains an
11	agreement or transaction that is not a
12	swap agreement under this clause, ex-
13	cept that the master agreement shall
14	be considered to be a swap agreement
15	under this clause only with respect to
16	each agreement or transaction under
17	the master agreement that is referred
18	to in subclause (I), (II), (III), or (IV);
19	and
20	"(VI) any security agreement or
21	arrangement or other credit enhance-
22	ment related to any agreements or
23	transactions referred to in subpara-
24	graph (I), (II), (III), (IV), or (V).

1 Such term is applicable for purposes of this title only and shall not be construed or 2 3 applied so as to challenge or affect the 4 characterization, definition, or treatment of any swap agreement under any other stat-6 ute, regulation, or rule, including the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange 7 8 Act of 1934, the Public Utility Holding 9 Company Act of 1935, the Trust Indenture 10 Act of 1939, the Investment Company Act 11 of 1940, the Investment Advisers Act of 12 1940, the Securities Investor Protection 13 Act of 1970, the Commodity Exchange 14 Act, and the regulations promulgated by 15 the Securities and Exchange Commission 16 or the Commodity Futures Trading Com-17 mission.". 18 (g)DEFINITION OF Transfer.—Section 11(e)(8)(D)(viii) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 19 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)(D)(viii)) is amended to read as follows: 20 21 "(viii) Transfer.—The term 'trans-22 fer' means every mode, direct or indirect, 23 absolute or conditional, voluntary or invol-24 untary, of disposing of or parting with 25 property or with an interest in property,

1	including retention of title as a security in-
2	terest and foreclosure of the depository
3	institutions's equity of redemption.".
4	(h) Treatment of Qualified Financial Con-
5	TRACTS.—Section 11(e)(8) of the Federal Deposit Insur-
6	ance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)) is amended—
7	(1) in subparagraph (A), by striking "para-
8	graph (10)" and inserting "paragraphs (9) and
9	(10)";
10	(2) in subparagraph (A)(i), by striking "to
11	cause the termination or liquidation" and inserting
12	"such person has to cause the termination, liquida-
13	tion, or acceleration";
14	(3) by amending subparagraph (A)(ii) to read
15	as follows:
16	"(ii) any right under any security
17	agreement or arrangement or other credit
18	enhancement related to 1 or more qualified
19	financial contracts described in clause
20	(i);"; and
21	(4) by amending subparagraph (E)(ii) to read
22	as follows:
23	"(ii) any right under any security
24	agreement or arrangement or other credit
25	enhancement related to 1 or more qualified

1	financial contracts described in clause
2	(i);".
3	(i) Avoidance of Transfers.—Section
4	11(e)(8)(C)(i) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12
5	U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)(C)(i)) is amended by inserting "section
6	5242 of the Revised Statutes of the United States (12
7	U.S.C. 91) or any other Federal or State law relating to
8	the avoidance of preferential or fraudulent transfers," be-
9	fore "the Corporation".
10	SEC. 3. AUTHORITY OF THE CORPORATION WITH RESPECT
11	TO FAILED AND FAILING INSTITUTIONS.
12	(a) In General.—Section 11(e)(8) of the Federal
13	Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)) is
14	amended—
15	(1) in subparagraph (E), by striking "other
16	than paragraph (12) of this subsection, subsection
17	(d)(9)" and inserting "other than subsections $(d)(9)$
18	and (e)(10)"; and
19	(2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
20	paragraphs:
21	"(F) Clarification.—No provision of law
22	shall be construed as limiting the right or
23	power of the Corporation, or authorizing any
24	court or agency to limit or delay, in any man-
25	ner, the right or power of the Corporation to

transfer any qualified financial contract in accordance with paragraphs (9) and (10) of this subsection or to disaffirm or repudiate any such contract in accordance with paragraph (1).

"(G) Walkaway clauses not effective.—

"(i) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs (A) and (E), and sections 403 and 404 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991, no walkaway clause shall be enforceable in a qualified financial contract of an insured depository institution in default.

"(ii) Walkaway clause defined.—
For purposes of this subparagraph, the term 'walkaway clause' means a provision in a qualified financial contract that, after calculation of a value of a party's position or an amount due to or from 1 of the parties in accordance with its terms upon termination, liquidation, or acceleration of the qualified financial contract, either does not create a payment obligation of a party or extinguishes a payment obligation of a

1	party in whole or in part solely because of
2	such party's status as a nondefaulting
3	party.".
4	(b) Technical and Conforming Amendment.—
5	Section 11(e)(12)(A) of the Federal Deposit Insurance
6	Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(12)(A)) is amended by inserting
7	"or the exercise of rights or powers" after "the appoint-
8	ment".
9	SEC. 4. AMENDMENTS RELATING TO TRANSFERS OF QUALI-
10	FIED FINANCIAL CONTRACTS.
11	(a) Transfers of Qualified Financial Con-
12	TRACTS TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.—Section 11(e)(9)
13	of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C.
14	1821(e)(9)) is amended to read as follows:
15	"(9) Transfer of qualified financial con-
16	TRACTS.—
17	"(A) In General.—In making any trans-
18	fer of assets or liabilities of a depository institu-
19	tion in default which includes any qualified fi-
20	nancial contract, the conservator or receiver for
21	such depository institution shall either—
22	"(i) transfer to 1 financial institution,
23	other than a financial institution for which
24	a conservator, receiver, trustee in bank-
25	ruptcy, or other legal custodian has been

1	appointed or which is otherwise the subject
2	of a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding—
3	"(I) all qualified financial con-
4	tracts between any person or any af-
5	filiate of such person and the deposi-
6	tory institution in default;
7	"(II) all claims of such person or
8	any affiliate of such person against
9	such depository institution under any
10	such contract (other than any claim
11	which, under the terms of any such
12	contract, is subordinated to the claims
13	of general unsecured creditors of such
14	institution);
15	"(III) all claims of such deposi-
16	tory institution against such person or
17	any affiliate of such person under any
18	such contract; and
19	"(IV) all property securing or
20	any other credit enhancement for any
21	contract described in subclause (I) or
22	any claim described in subclause (II)
23	or (III) under any such contract; or
24	"(ii) transfer none of the qualified fi-
25	nancial contracts, claims, property or other

credit enhancement referred to in clause (i)

(with respect to such person and any affiliate of such person).

"(B) Transfer to foreign bank, for-EIGN FINANCIAL INSTITUTION, OR BRANCH OR AGENCY OF A FOREIGN BANK OR FINANCIAL IN-STITUTION.—In transferring any qualified financial contracts and related claims and property pursuant to subparagraph (A)(i), the conservator or receiver for such depository institution shall not make such transfer to a foreign bank, financial institution organized under the laws of a foreign country, or a branch or agency of a foreign bank or financial institution unless, under the law applicable to such bank, financial institution, branch or agency, to the qualified financial contracts, and to any netting contract, any security agreement or arrangement or other credit enhancement related to 1 or more qualified financial contracts, the contractual rights of the parties to such qualified financial contracts, netting contracts, security agreements or arrangements, or other credit enhancements are enforceable substantially to the same extent as permitted under this section.

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1 "(C) Transfer of contracts subject 2 THE RULES OF A CLEARING ORGANIZA-3 TION.—In the event that a conservator or re-4 ceiver transfers any qualified financial contract 5 and related claims, property and credit en-6 hancements pursuant to subparagraph (A)(i) and such contract is subject to the rules of a 7 8 clearing organization, the clearing organization 9 shall not be required to accept the transferee as 10 a member by virtue of the transfer.

- "(D) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this section, the term 'financial institution' means a broker or dealer, a depository institution, a futures commission merchant, or any other institution as determined by the Corporation by regulation to be a financial institution.".
- (b) Notice to Qualified Financial Contract
 Counterparties.—Section 11(e)(10)(A) of the Federal
 Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(10)(A)) is
 amended by amending the flush material following clause
 (ii) to read as follows: "the conservator or receiver shall
 notify any person who is a party to any such contract of
 such transfer by 5:00 p.m. (eastern time) on the business
 day following the date of the appointment of the receiver,

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1	in the case of a receivership, or the business day following
2	such transfer, in the case of a conservatorship.".
3	(c) RIGHTS AGAINST RECEIVER AND TREATMENT OF
4	Bridge Banks.—Section 11(e)(10) of the Federal De-
5	posit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(10)) is further
6	amended—
7	(1) by redesignating subparagraph (B) as sub-
8	paragraph (D); and
9	(2) by inserting after subparagraph (A) the fol-
10	lowing new subparagraphs:
11	"(B) CERTAIN RIGHTS NOT ENFORCE-
12	ABLE.—
13	"(i) Receivership.—A person who is
14	a party to a qualified financial contract
15	with an insured depository institution may
16	not exercise any right such person has to
17	terminate, liquidate, or net such contract
18	under paragraph (8)(A) or section 403 or
19	404 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Cor-
20	poration Improvement Act of 1991 solely
21	by reason of or incidental to the appoint-
22	ment of a receiver for the depository insti-
23	tution (or the insolvency or financial condi-
24	tion of the depository institution for which
25	the receiver has been appointed)—

1	"(I) until 5:00 p.m. (eastern
2	time) on the business day following
3	the date of the appointment of the re-
4	ceiver; or
5	"(II) after the person has re-
6	ceived notice that the contract has
7	been transferred pursuant to para-
8	graph (9)(A).
9	"(ii) Conservatorship.—A person
10	who is a party to a qualified financial con-
11	tract with an insured depository institution
12	may not exercise any right such person has
13	to terminate, liquidate, or net such con-
14	tract under paragraph (8)(E) or section
15	403 or 404 of the Federal Deposit Insur-
16	ance Corporation Improvement Act of
17	1991, solely by reason of or incidental to
18	the appointment of a conservator for the
19	depository institution (or the insolvency or
20	financial condition of the depository insti-
21	tution for which the conservator has been
22	appointed).
23	"(iii) Notice.—For purposes of this
24	subsection, the Corporation as receiver or
25	conservator of an insured depository insti-

1	tution shall be deemed to have notified a
2	person who is a party to a qualified finan-
3	cial contract with such depository institu-
4	tion if the Corporation has taken steps
5	reasonably calculated to provide notice to
6	such person by the time specified in sub-
7	paragraph (A) of this subsection.
8	"(C) Treatment of bridge banks.—
9	The following institutions shall not be consid-
10	ered a financial institution for which a conser-
11	vator, receiver, trustee in bankruptcy, or other
12	legal custodian has been appointed or which is
13	otherwise the subject of a bankruptcy or insol-
14	vency proceeding for purposes of paragraph
15	(9)—
16	"(i) a bridge bank; or
17	"(ii) a depository institution organized
18	by the Corporation, for which a conser-
19	vator is appointed either—
20	"(I) immediately upon the orga-
21	nization of the institution; or
22	"(II) at the time of a purchase
23	and assumption transaction between
24	such institution and the Corporation

1	as receiver for a depository institution
2	in default.".
3	SEC. 5. AMENDMENTS RELATING TO DISAFFIRMANCE OR
4	REPUDIATION OF QUALIFIED FINANCIAL
5	CONTRACTS.
6	(a) In General.—Section 11(e) of the Federal De-
7	posit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)) is further
8	amended—
9	(1) by redesignating paragraphs (11) through
10	(15) as paragraphs (12) through (16), respectively;
11	and
12	(2) by inserting after paragraph (10) the fol-
13	lowing new paragraph:
14	"(11) DISAFFIRMANCE OR REPUDIATION OF
15	QUALIFIED FINANCIAL CONTRACTS.—In exercising
16	the rights of disaffirmance or repudiation of a con-
17	servator or receiver with respect to any qualified fi-
18	nancial contract to which an insured depository in-
19	stitution is a party, the conservator or receiver for
20	such institution shall either—
21	"(A) disaffirm or repudiate all qualified fi-
22	nancial contracts between—
23	"(i) any person or any affiliate of
24	such person: and

1	"(ii) the depository institution in de-
2	fault; or
3	"(B) disaffirm or repudiate none of the
4	qualified financial contracts referred to in sub-
5	paragraph (A) (with respect to such person or
6	any affiliate of such person).".
7	(b) Technical and Conforming Amendments.—
8	Section 11(e)(8) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12
9	U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)), as amended by section 2(i), is further
10	amended in subparagraph (C)(i), by striking "(11)" and
11	inserting "(12)".
12	SEC. 6. CLARIFYING AMENDMENT RELATING TO MASTER
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13	AGREEMENTS.
14	Section 11(e)(8)(D)(vii) of the Federal Deposit In-
14	Section 11(e)(8)(D)(vii) of the Federal Deposit In-
14 15	Section 11(e)(8)(D)(vii) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)(D)(vii)) is amended to
14 15 16	Section 11(e)(8)(D)(vii) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)(D)(vii)) is amended to read as follows:
14 15 16 17	Section $11(e)(8)(D)(vii)$ of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. $1821(e)(8)(D)(vii)$) is amended to read as follows: "(vii) Treatment of Master
14 15 16 17	Section $11(e)(8)(D)(vii)$ of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. $1821(e)(8)(D)(vii)$) is amended to read as follows: "(vii) Treatment of Master Agreement As 1 Agreement.—Any mas-
114 115 116 117 118	Section 11(e)(8)(D)(vii) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)(D)(vii)) is amended to read as follows: "(vii) Treatment of Master Agreement Agreement for any contract or agree-
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	Section 11(e)(8)(D)(vii) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)(D)(vii)) is amended to read as follows: "(vii) Treatment of Master Agreement Agreement for any contract or agreement described in any preceding clause of
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	Section 11(e)(8)(D)(vii) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)(D)(vii)) is amended to read as follows: "(vii) Treatment of Master Agreement Agreement for any contract or agreement described in any preceding clause of this subparagraph (or any master agree-
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	Section 11(e)(8)(D)(vii) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)(D)(vii)) is amended to read as follows: "(vii) Treatment of Master Agreement as 1 Agreement.—Any master agreement for any contract or agreement described in any preceding clause of this subparagraph (or any master agreement for such master agreement or agreement for such master agreement or agreement.

1	financial contract. If a master agreement
2	contains provisions relating to agreements
3	or transactions that are not themselves
4	qualified financial contracts, the master
5	agreement shall be deemed to be a quali-
6	fied financial contract only with respect to
7	those transactions that are themselves
8	qualified financial contracts.".
9	SEC. 7. FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION IM-
10	PROVEMENT ACT OF 1991.
11	(a) Definitions.—Section 402 of the Federal De-
12	posit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (12
13	U.S.C. 4402) is amended—
14	(1) in paragraph (2)—
15	(A) by inserting "or exempt from such reg-
16	istration pursuant to an order of the Securities
17	and Exchange Commission" before the semi-
18	colon at the end of subparagraph (A)(ii); and
19	(B) by inserting "or that has been granted
20	an exemption pursuant to section $4(c)(1)$ of
21	such Act" before the period at the end of sub-
22	paragraph (B);
23	(2) in paragraph (6)—

1	(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (B)
2	through (D) as subparagraphs (C) through (E),
3	respectively;
4	(B) by inserting after subparagraph (A)
5	the following new subparagraph:
6	"(B) an uninsured national bank or an un-
7	insured State bank that is a member of the
8	Federal Reserve System if the national bank or
9	State member bank is not eligible to make ap-
10	plication to become an insured bank under sec-
11	tion 5 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act;";
12	and
13	(C) by amending subparagraph (C) (as re-
14	designated) to read as follows:
15	"(C) a branch or agency of a foreign bank,
16	a foreign bank and any branch or agency of the
17	foreign bank, or the foreign bank that estab-
18	lished the branch or agency, as those terms are
19	defined in section 1(b) of the International
20	Banking Act of 1978;";
21	(3) in paragraph (11), by adding before the pe-
22	riod "and any other clearing organization with which
23	such clearing organization has a netting contract";
24	(4) by amending paragraph (14)(A)(i) to read
25	as follows:

1	"(i) means a contract or agreement
2	between two or more financial institutions,
3	clearing organizations, or members that
4	provides for netting present or future pay-
5	ment obligations or payment entitlements
6	(including liquidation or closeout values re-
7	lating to such obligations or entitlements)
8	among the parties to the agreement; and";
9	and
10	(5) by adding at the end the following new
11	paragraph:
12	"(15) Payment.—The term 'payment' means a
13	payment of United States dollars, another currency,
14	or a composite currency, and a noncash delivery, in-
15	cluding a payment or delivery to liquidate an
16	unmatured obligation.".
17	(b) Enforceability of Bilateral Netting Con-
18	TRACTS.—Section 403 of the Federal Deposit Insurance
19	Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. 4403)
20	is amended—
21	(1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-
22	lows:
23	"(a) General Rule.—Notwithstanding any other
24	provision of State or Federal law (other than paragraphs
25	(8)(E), (8)(F), and (10)(B) of section 11(e) of the Federal

- 1 Deposit Insurance Act or any order authorized under sec-
- 2 tion 5(b)(2) of the Securities Investor Protection Act of
- 3 1970), the covered contractual payment obligations and
- 4 the covered contractual payment entitlements between any
- 5 two financial institutions shall be netted in accordance
- 6 with, and subject to the conditions of, the terms of any
- 7 applicable netting contract (except as provided in section
- 8 561(b)(2) of title 11, United States Code)."; and
- 9 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
- 10 section:
- 11 "(f) Enforceability of Security Agree-
- 12 MENTS.—The provisions of any security agreement or ar-
- 13 rangement or other credit enhancement related to 1 or
- 14 more netting contracts between any two financial institu-
- 15 tions shall be enforceable in accordance with their terms
- 16 (except as provided in section 561(b)(2) of title 11, United
- 17 States Code) and shall not be stayed, avoided, or otherwise
- 18 limited by any State or Federal law (other than para-
- 19 graphs (8)(E), (8)(F), and (10)(B) of section 11(e) of the
- 20 Federal Deposit Insurance Act and section 5(b)(2) of the
- 21 Securities Investor Protection Act of 1970).".
- (c) Enforceability of Clearing Organization
- 23 Netting Contracts.—Section 404 of the Federal De-
- 24 posit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (12
- 25 U.S.C. 4404) is amended—

- 1 (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-
- 2 lows:
- 3 "(a) GENERAL RULE.—Notwithstanding any other
- 4 provision of State or Federal law (other than paragraphs
- 5 (8)(E), (8)(F), and (10)(B) of section 11(e) of the Federal
- 6 Deposit Insurance Act and any order authorized under
- 7 section 5(b)(2) of the Securities Investor Protection Act
- 8 of 1970), the covered contractual payment obligations and
- 9 the covered contractual payment entitlements of a member
- 10 of a clearing organization to and from all other members
- 11 of a clearing organization shall be netted in accordance
- 12 with and subject to the conditions of any applicable net-
- 13 ting contract (except as provided in section 561(b)(2) of
- 14 title 11, United States Code)."; and
- 15 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
- 16 section:
- 17 "(h) Enforceability of Security Agree-
- 18 MENTS.—The provisions of any security agreement or ar-
- 19 rangement or other credit enhancement related to 1 or
- 20 more netting contracts between any two members of a
- 21 clearing organization shall be enforceable in accordance
- 22 with their terms (except as provided in section 561(b)(2)
- 23 of title 11, United States Code) and shall not be stayed,
- 24 avoided, or otherwise limited by any State or Federal law
- 25 (other than paragraphs (8)(E), (8)(F), and (10)(B) of sec-

- 1 tion 11(e) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act and sec-
- 2 tion 5(b)(2) of the Securities Investor Protection Act of
- 3 1970).".
- 4 (d) Enforceability of Contracts With Unin-
- 5 SURED NATIONAL BANKS AND UNINSURED FEDERAL
- 6 Branches and Agencies.—The Federal Deposit Insur-
- 7 ance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C.
- 8 4401 et seq.) is amended—
- 9 (1) by redesignating section 407 as section
- 10 407A; and
- 11 (2) by adding after section 406 the following
- 12 new section:
- 13 "SEC. 407. TREATMENT OF CONTRACTS WITH UNINSURED
- 14 NATIONAL BANKS AND UNINSURED FEDERAL
- 15 BRANCHES AND AGENCIES.
- 16 "(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other pro-
- 17 vision of law, paragraphs (8), (9), (10), and (11) of section
- 18 11(e) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act shall apply
- 19 to an uninsured national bank or uninsured Federal
- 20 branch or Federal agency except—
- 21 "(1) any reference to the 'Corporation as re-
- ceiver' or 'the receiver or the Corporation' shall refer
- to the receiver of an uninsured national bank or un-
- 24 insured Federal branch or Federal agency appointed
- by the Comptroller of the Currency;

- "(2) any reference to the 'Corporation' (other 1 2 than in section 11(e)(8)(D) of such Act), the 'Cor-3 poration, whether acting as such or as conservator or receiver', a 'receiver', or a 'conservator' shall refer to the receiver or conservator of an uninsured na-5 6 tional bank or uninsured Federal branch or Federal 7 agency appointed by the Comptroller of the Cur-8 rency; and 9 "(3) any reference to an 'insured depository in-10 stitution' or 'depository institution' shall refer to an 11 uninsured national bank or an uninsured Federal 12 branch or Federal agency. 13 "(b) LIABILITY.—The liability of a receiver or conser-14 vator of an uninsured national bank or uninsured Federal 15 branch or agency shall be determined in the same manner and subject to the same limitations that apply to receivers 16 17 and conservators of insured depository institutions under section 11(e) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act. 18 19 "(c) Regulatory Authority.—
- "(1) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller of the Currency, in consultation with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, may promulgate regulations to implement this section.
- 24 "(2) SPECIFIC REQUIREMENT.—In promul-25 gating regulations to implement this section, the

1	Comptroller of the Currency shall ensure that the
2	regulations generally are consistent with the regula-
3	tions and policies of the Federal Deposit Insurance
4	Corporation adopted pursuant to the Federal De-
5	posit Insurance Act.
6	"(d) Definitions.—For purposes of this section, the
7	terms 'Federal branch', 'Federal agency', and 'foreign
8	bank' have the same meaning as in section 1(b) of the
9	International Banking Act.".
10	SEC. 8. BANKRUPTCY CODE AMENDMENTS.
11	(a) Definitions of Forward Contract, Repur-
12	CHASE AGREEMENT, SECURITIES CLEARING AGENCY,
13	SWAP AGREEMENT, COMMODITY CONTRACT, AND SECU-
14	RITIES CONTRACT.—Title 11, United States Code, is
15	amended—
16	(1) in section 101—
17	(A) in paragraph (25)—
18	(i) by striking "means a contract"
19	and inserting "means—
20	"(A) a contract";
21	(ii) by striking ", or any combination
22	thereof or option thereon;" and inserting
23	", or any other similar agreement;"; and
24	(iii) by adding at the end the fol-
25	lowing:

"(B) any combination of agreements or
transactions referred to in subparagraphs (A)
and (C);
"(C) any option to enter into an agreement
or transaction referred to in subparagraph (A)
or (B);
"(D) a master agreement that provides for
an agreement or transaction referred to in sub-
paragraph (A), (B), or (C), together with all
supplements to any such master agreement,
without regard to whether such master agree-
ment provides for an agreement or transaction
that is not a forward contract under this para-
graph, except that such master agreement shall
be considered to be a forward contract under
this paragraph only with respect to each agree-
ment or transaction under such master agree-
ment that is referred to in subparagraph (A),
(B) or (C); or
"(E) any security agreement or arrange-
ment, or other credit enhancement related to
any agreement or transaction referred to in
subparagraph (A), (B), (C), or (D), but not to
exceed the actual value of such contract on the

date of the filing of the petition;";

1	(B) in paragraph (46), by striking "on any
2	day during the period beginning 90 days before
3	the date of" and inserting "at any time before";
4	(C) by amending paragraph (47) to read
5	as follows:
6	"(47) 'repurchase agreement' (which definition
7	also applies to a 'reverse repurchase agreement')—
8	"(A) means—
9	"(i) an agreement, including related
10	terms, which provides for the transfer of 1
11	or more certificates of deposit, mortgage-
12	related securities (as defined in the Securi-
13	ties Exchange Act of 1934), mortgage
14	loans, interests in mortgage-related securi-
15	ties or mortgage loans, eligible bankers' ac-
16	ceptances, qualified foreign government se-
17	curities, or securities that are direct obliga-
18	tions of, or that are fully guaranteed by,
19	the United States or any agency of the
20	United States against the transfer of funds
21	by the transferee of such certificates of de-
22	posit, eligible bankers' acceptances, securi-
23	ties, loans, or interests, with a simulta-
24	neous agreement by such transferee to
25	transfer to the transferor thereof certifi-

1	cates of deposit, eligible bankers' accept-
2	ance, securities, loans, or interests of the
3	kind described above, at a date certain not
4	later than 1 year after such transfer or on
5	demand, against the transfer of funds;
6	"(ii) any combination of agreements
7	or transactions referred to in clauses (i)
8	and (iii);
9	"(iii) an option to enter into an agree-
10	ment or transaction referred to in clause
11	(i) or (ii);
12	"(iv) a master agreement that pro-
13	vides for an agreement or transaction re-
14	ferred to in clause (i), (ii), or (iii), together
15	with all supplements to any such master
16	agreement, without regard to whether such
17	master agreement provides for an agree-
18	ment or transaction that is not a repur-
19	chase agreement under this paragraph, ex-
20	cept that such master agreement shall be
21	considered to be a repurchase agreement
22	under this paragraph only with respect to
23	each agreement or transaction under the
24	master agreement that is referred to in
25	clause (i), (ii), or (iii); or

1	"(v) any security agreement or ar-
2	rangement or other credit enhancement re-
3	lated to any agreement or transaction re-
4	ferred to in clause (i), (ii), (iii), or (iv), but
5	not to exceed the actual value of such con-
6	tract on the date of the filing of the peti-
7	tion; and
8	"(B) does not include a repurchase obliga-
9	tion under a participation in a commercial
10	mortgage loan,
11	and, for purposes of this paragraph, the term 'quali-
12	fied foreign government security' means a security
13	that is a direct obligation of, or that is fully guaran-
14	teed by, the central government of a member of the
15	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Devel-
16	opment;";
17	(D) in paragraph (48) by inserting "or ex-
18	empt from such registration under such section
19	pursuant to an order of the Securities and Ex-
20	change Commission" after "1934"; and
21	(E) by amending paragraph (53B) to read
22	as follows:
23	"(53B) 'swap agreement'—
24	"(A) means—

1	"(i) any agreement, including the
2	terms and conditions incorporated by ref-
3	erence in such agreement, which is an in-
4	terest rate swap, option, future, or forward
5	agreement, including a rate floor, rate cap
6	rate collar, cross-currency rate swap, and
7	basis swap; a spot, same day-tomorrow, to-
8	morrow-next, forward, or other foreign ex-
9	change or precious metals agreement; a
10	currency swap, option, future, or forward
11	agreement; an equity index or an equity
12	swap, option, future, or forward agree-
13	ment; a debt index or a debt swap, option,
14	future, or forward agreement; a credit
15	spread or a credit swap, option, future, or
16	forward agreement; a commodity index or
17	a commodity swap, option, future, or for-
18	ward agreement; or a weather swap
19	weather derivative, or weather option;
20	"(ii) any agreement or transaction
21	similar to any other agreement or trans-
22	action referred to in this paragraph that—
23	"(I) is presently, or in the future
24	becomes, regularly entered into in the
25	swap market (including terms and

1	conditions incorporated by reference
2	therein); and
3	"(II) is a forward, swap, future,
4	or option on 1 or more rates, cur-
5	rencies, commodities, equity securities,
6	or other equity instruments, debt se-
7	curities or other debt instruments, or
8	economic indices or measures of eco-
9	nomic risk or value;
10	"(iii) any combination of agreements
11	or transactions referred to in this para-
12	graph;
13	"(iv) any option to enter into an
14	agreement or transaction referred to in
15	this paragraph;
16	"(v) a master agreement that provides
17	for an agreement or transaction referred to
18	in clause (i), (ii), (iii), or (iv), together
19	with all supplements to any such master
20	agreement, and without regard to whether
21	the master agreement contains an agree-
22	ment or transaction that is not a swap
23	agreement under this paragraph, except
24	that the master agreement shall be consid-
25	ered to be a swap agreement under this

paragraph only with respect to each agreement or transaction under the master agreement that is referred to in clause (i), (ii), (iii), or (iv); or

"(B) any security agreement or arrangement or other credit enhancement related to any agreements or transactions referred to in subparagraph (A), but not to exceed the actual value of such contract on the date of the filing of the petition; and

"(C) is applicable for purposes of this title only and shall not be construed or applied so as to challenge or affect the characterization, definition, or treatment of any swap agreement under any other statute, regulation, or rule, including the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Securities Investor Protection Act of 1970, the Commodity Exchange Act, and the regulations prescribed by the Securities and Exchange Commission or the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.";

1	(2) by amending section 741(7) to read as fol-
2	lows:
3	"(7) 'securities contract'—
4	"(A) means—
5	"(i) a contract for the purchase, sale,
6	or loan of a security, a certificate of de-
7	posit, a mortgage loan or any interest in a
8	mortgage loan, a group or index of securi-
9	ties, certificates of deposit or mortgage
10	loans or interests therein (including an in-
11	terest therein or based on the value there-
12	of), or option on any of the foregoing, in-
13	cluding an option to purchase or sell any
14	such security, certificate of deposit, loan,
15	interest, group or index, or option;
16	"(ii) any option entered into on a na-
17	tional securities exchange relating to for-
18	eign currencies;
19	"(iii) the guarantee by or to any secu-
20	rities clearing agency of a settlement of
21	cash, securities, certificates of deposit,
22	mortgage loans or interests therein, group
23	or index of securities, or mortgage loans or
24	interests therein (including any interest
25	therein or based on the value thereof) or

1	option on any of the foregoing, including
2	an option to purchase or sell any such se-
3	curity, certificate of deposit, loan, interest,
4	group or index, or option;
5	"(iv) any margin loan;
6	"(v) any other agreement or trans-
7	action that is similar to an agreement or
8	transaction referred to in this paragraph;
9	"(vi) any combination of the agree-
10	ments or transactions referred to in this
11	paragraph;
12	"(vii) any option to enter into any
13	agreement or transaction referred to in
14	this paragraph;
15	"(viii) a master agreement that pro-
16	vides for an agreement or transaction re-
17	ferred to in clause (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v),
18	(vi), or (vii), together with all supplements
19	to any such master agreement, without re-
20	gard to whether the master agreement pro-
21	vides for an agreement or transaction that
22	is not a securities contract under this
23	paragraph, except that such master agree-
24	ment shall be considered to be a securities
25	contract under this paragraph only with

1	respect to each agreement or transaction
2	under such master agreement that is re-
3	ferred to in clause (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v),
4	(vi), or (vii); or
5	"(ix) any security agreement or ar-
6	rangement or other credit enhancement re-
7	lated to any agreement or transaction re-
8	ferred to in this paragraph, but not to ex-
9	ceed the actual value of such contract on
10	the date of the filing of the petition; and
11	"(B) does not include any purchase, sale,
12	or repurchase obligation under a participation
13	in a commercial mortgage loan."; and
14	(3) in section 761(4)—
15	(A) by striking "or" at the end of subpara-
16	graph (D); and
17	(B) by adding at the end the following:
18	"(F) any other agreement or transaction
19	that is similar to an agreement or transaction
20	referred to in this paragraph;
21	"(G) any combination of the agreements or
22	transactions referred to in this paragraph;
23	"(H) any option to enter into an agree-
24	ment or transaction referred to in this para-
25	graph;

1 "(I) a master agreement that provides for 2 an agreement or transaction referred to in subparagraph (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), (G), or 3 4 (H), together with all supplements to such mas-5 ter agreement, without regard to whether the 6 master agreement provides for an agreement or 7 transaction that is not a commodity contract 8 under this paragraph, except that the master 9 agreement shall be considered to be a com-10 modity contract under this paragraph only with 11 respect to each agreement or transaction under 12 the master agreement that is referred to in sub-13 paragraph (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), (G), or 14 (H); or

- "(J) any security agreement or arrangement or other credit enhancement related to any agreement or transaction referred to in this paragraph, but not to exceed the actual value of such contract on the date of the filing of the petition;".
- 21 (b) Definitions of Financial Institution, Fi-22 Nancial Participant, and Forward Contract Mer-23 Chant.—Section 101 of title 11, United States Code, is 24 amended—

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1	(1) by striking paragraph (22) and inserting
2	the following new paragraph:
3	"(22) the term 'financial institution'—
4	"(A) means a Federal reserve bank or an
5	entity (domestic or foreign) that is a commer-
6	cial or savings bank, industrial savings bank,
7	savings and loan association, trust company, a
8	bank or a corporation organized under section
9	25A of the Federal Reserve Act and, when any
10	such bank or entity is acting as agent or custo-
11	dian for a customer in connection with a securi-
12	ties contract, as defined in section 741, such
13	customer; and
14	"(B) includes any person described in sub-
15	paragraph (A) which operates, or operates as, a
16	multilateral clearing organization pursuant to
17	section 409 of the Federal Deposit Insurance
18	Corporation Improvement Act of 1991;";
19	(2) by inserting after paragraph (22) the fol-
20	lowing:
21	"(22A) 'financial participant' means an entity
22	that, at the time it enters into a securities contract,
23	commodity contract or forward contract, or at the
24	time of the filing of the petition, has 1 or more
25	agreements or transactions described in paragraph

- 1 (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), or (6) of section 561(a) with 2 the debtor or any other entity (other than an affiliate) of a total gross dollar value of at least 3 \$1,000,000,000 in notional or actual principal 5 amount outstanding on any day during the previous 6 15-month period, or has gross mark-to-market posi-7 tions of at least \$100,000,000 (aggregated across 8 counterparties) in 1 or more such agreement or 9 transaction with the debtor or any other entity 10 (other than an affiliate) on any day during the pre-11 vious 15-month period;"; and
- 12 (3) by amending paragraph (26) to read as fol-13 lows:
- 14 "(26) 'forward contract merchant' means a 15 Federal reserve bank, or an entity whose business 16 consists in whole or in part of entering into forward 17 contracts as or with merchants or in a commodity, 18 as defined or in section 761, or any similar good, ar-19 ticle, service, right, or interest which is presently or 20 in the future becomes the subject of dealing or in the forward contract trade;".
- 22 (c) Definition of Master Netting Agreement
- AND MASTER NETTING AGREEMENT PARTICIPANT.—Sec-
- tion 101 of title 11, United States Code, is amended by

- 1 inserting after paragraph (38) the following new para-2 graphs:
- 3 "(38A) 'master netting agreement' means an agreement providing for the exercise of rights, in-5 cluding rights of netting, setoff, liquidation, termi-6 nation, acceleration, or closeout, under or in connec-7 tion with 1 or more contracts that are described in 8 any 1 or more of paragraphs (1) through (5) of sec-9 tion 561(a), or any security agreement or arrange-10 ment or other credit enhancement related to 1 or 11 more of the foregoing. If a master netting agreement 12 contains provisions relating to agreements or transactions that are not contracts described in para-13 14 graphs (1) through (5) of section 561(a), the master 15 netting agreement shall be deemed to be a master 16 netting agreement only with respect to those agree-17 ments or transactions that are described in any 1 or 18 more of the paragraphs (1) through (5) of section 19 561(a);
 - "(38B) 'master netting agreement participant' means an entity that, at any time before the filing of the petition, is a party to an outstanding master netting agreement with the debtor;".
- 24 (d) SWAP AGREEMENTS, SECURITIES CONTRACTS,
- 25 Commodity Contracts, Forward Contracts, Repur-

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1	CHASE AGREEMENTS, AND MASTER NETTING AGREE-
2	MENTS UNDER THE AUTOMATIC-STAY.—
3	(1) In general.—Section 362(b) of title 11,
4	United States Code, is amended—
5	(A) in paragraph (6), by inserting ",
6	pledged to and under the control of," after
7	"held by";
8	(B) in paragraph (7), by inserting ",
9	pledged to and under the control of," after
10	"held by";
11	(C) by amending paragraph (17) to read
12	as follows:
13	"(17) under subsection (a), of the setoff by a
14	swap participant of a mutual debt and claim under
15	or in connection with 1 or more swap agreements
16	that constitutes the setoff of a claim against the
17	debtor for any payment or other transfer of property
18	due from the debtor under or in connection with any
19	swap agreement against any payment due to the
20	debtor from the swap participant under or in con-
21	nection with any swap agreement or against cash,
22	securities, or other property held by, pledged to and
23	under the control of, or due from such swap partici-
24	pant to margin, guarantee, secure, or settle any
25	swap agreement;";

1	(D) in paragraph (18) by striking the pe-
2	riod at the end and inserting "; or"; and

(E) by inserting after paragraph (18) the following new paragraph:

"(19) under subsection (a), of the setoff by a master netting agreement participant of a mutual debt and claim under or in connection with 1 or more master netting agreements or any contract or agreement subject to such agreements that constitutes the setoff of a claim against the debtor for any payment or other transfer of property due from the debtor under or in connection with such agreements or any contract or agreement subject to such agreements against any payment due to the debtor from such master netting agreement participant under or in connection with such agreements or any contract or agreement subject to such agreements or against cash, securities, or other property held by, pledged to and under the control of, or due from such master netting agreement participant to margin, guarantee, secure, or settle such agreements or any contract or agreement subject to such agreements, to the extent such participant is eligible to exercise such offset rights under paragraph (6), (7),

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1 or (17) for each individual contract covered by the 2 master netting agreement in issue.". 3 LIMITATION.—Section 362 of title 11, United States Code, is amended by adding at the 5 end the following: 6 "(i) Limitation.—The exercise of rights not subject to the stay arising under subsection (a) pursuant to para-8 graph (6), (7), or (17), or (32) of subsection (b) shall not be stayed by any order of a court or administrative agency 10 in any proceeding under this title.". 11 (e) Limitation of Avoidance Powers Under MASTER NETTING AGREEMENT.—Section 546 of title 11, 12 United States Code, is amended— 13 14 (1) in subsection (g) (as added by section 103 15 of Public Law 101–311)— (A) by striking "under a swap agreement"; 16 17 and 18 (B) by striking "in connection with a swap 19 agreement" and inserting "under or in connection with any swap agreement"; and 20 21 (2) by adding at the end the following: 22 "(j) Notwithstanding sections 544, 545, 547,23 548(a)(1)(B), and 548(b), the trustee may not avoid a transfer made by or to a master netting agreement partici-

pant under or in connection with any master netting

- 1 agreement or any individual contract covered thereby that
- 2 is made before the commencement of the case, except
- 3 under section 548(a)(1)(A), and except to the extent the
- 4 trustee could otherwise avoid such a transfer made under
- 5 an individual contract covered by such master netting
- 6 agreement.".
- 7 (f) Fraudulent Transfers of Master Netting
- 8 AGREEMENTS.—Section 548(d)(2) of title 11, United
- 9 States Code, is amended—
- 10 (1) in subparagraph (C), by striking "and";
- 11 (2) in subparagraph (D), by striking the period
- and inserting "; and"; and
- 13 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
- paragraph:
- 15 "(E) a master netting agreement participant
- that receives a transfer in connection with a master
- 17 netting agreement or any individual contract covered
- thereby takes for value to the extent of such trans-
- fer, except, with respect to a transfer under any in-
- dividual contract covered thereby, to the extent such
- 21 master netting agreement participant otherwise did
- 22 not take (or is otherwise not deemed to have taken)
- such transfer for value.".

1	(g) TERMINATION OR ACCELERATION OF SECURITIES
2	CONTRACTS.—Section 555 of title 11, United States Code
3	is amended—
4	(1) by amending the section heading to read as
5	follows:
6	"§ 555. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or
7	accelerate a securities contract";
8	and
9	(2) in the first sentence, by striking "liquida-
10	tion" and inserting "liquidation, termination, or ac-
11	celeration".
12	(h) TERMINATION OR ACCELERATION OF COMMOD-
13	ITIES OR FORWARD CONTRACTS.—Section 556 of title 11,
14	United States Code, is amended—
15	(1) by amending the section heading to read as
16	follows:
17	"§ 556. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or
18	accelerate a commodities contract or for-
19	ward contract";
20	and
21	(2) in the first sentence, by striking "liquida-
22	tion" and inserting "liquidation, termination, or ac-
23	celeration".

1	(i) Termination or Acceleration of Repur-				
2	CHASE AGREEMENTS.—Section 559 of title 11, United				
3	States Code, is amended—				
4	(1) by amending the section heading to read as				
5	follows:				
6	"§ 559. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or				
7	accelerate a repurchase agreement";				
8	and				
9	(2) in the first sentence, by striking "liquida-				
10	tion" and inserting "liquidation, termination, or ac-				
11	celeration".				
12	(j) Liquidation, Termination, or Acceleration				
13	OF SWAP AGREEMENTS.—Section 560 of title 11, United				
14	States Code, is amended—				
15	(1) by amending the section heading to read as				
16	follows:				
17	"§ 560. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or				
18	accelerate a swap agreement";				
19	(2) in the first sentence, by striking "termi-				
20	nation of a swap agreement" and inserting "liquida-				
21	tion, termination, or acceleration of 1 or more swap				
22	agreements"; and				
23	(3) by striking "in connection with any swap				
24	agreement" and inserting "in connection with the				

1 termination, liquidation, or acceleration of 1 or more 2 swap agreements". 3 (k) Liquidation, Termination, Acceleration, or Offset Under a Master Netting Agreement and Across Contracts.—(1) Title 11, United States Code, 5 is amended by inserting after section 560 the following: 6 7 "§ 561. Contractual right to terminate, liquidate, ac-8 celerate, or offset under a master netting 9 agreement and across contracts 10 "(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the exercise of any contractual right, because of a condition of 12 the kind specified in section 365(e)(1), to cause the termination, liquidation, or acceleration of or to offset or net termination values, payment amounts or other transfer obligations arising under or in connection with 1 or more (or the termination, liquidation, or acceleration of 1 or 17 more)— 18 "(1) securities contracts, as defined in section 19 741(7); "(2) commodity contracts, as defined in section 20 21 761(4); 22 "(3) forward contracts; "(4) repurchase agreements; 23 "(5) swap agreements; or 24 "(6) master netting agreements, 25

shall not be stayed, avoided, or otherwise limited by oper-2 ation of any provision of this title or by any order of a 3 court or administrative agency in any proceeding under this title. 4 5 "(b) Exception.— 6 "(1) A party may exercise a contractual right 7 described in subsection (a) to terminate, liquidate, or 8 accelerate only to the extent that such party could 9 exercise such a right under section 555, 556, 559, 10 or 560 for each individual contract covered by the 11 master netting agreement in issue. 12 "(2) If a debtor is a commodity broker subject 13 to subchapter IV of chapter 7— "(A) a party may not net or offset an obli-14 15 gation to the debtor arising under, or in con-16 nection with, a commodity contract against any 17 claim arising under, or in connection with, 18 other instruments, contracts, or agreements 19 listed in subsection (a), except to the extent the 20 party has positive net equity in the commodity 21 accounts at the debtor, as calculated under such 22 subchapter; and "(B) another commodity broker may not 23 24 net or offset an obligation to the debtor arising

under, or in connection with, a commodity con-

tract entered into or held on behalf of a customer of the debtor against any claim arising under, or in connection with, other instruments, contracts, or agreements listed in subsection (a).

- 6 "(c) Rule of Application.—Subparagraphs (A)
- 7 and (B) of subsection (b)(2) shall not be construed as pro-
- 8 hibiting the offset of claims and obligations arising pursu-
- 9 ant to—

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go into effect; or

- "(1) a cross-margining arrangement that has been approved by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission or that has been submitted to such Commission pursuant to section 5a(a)(12) of the Commodity Exchange Act and has been permitted to
- "(2) another netting arrangement, between a clearing organization (as defined in section 761) and another entity, that has been approved by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.
- "(d) DEFINITION.—As used in this section, the term contractual right' includes a right set forth in a rule or bylaw of a national securities exchange, a national securities association, or a securities clearing agency, a right set forth in a bylaw of a clearing organization or contract market or in a resolution of the governing board thereof,

- 1 and a right, whether or not evidenced in writing, arising
- 2 under common law, under law merchant, or by reason of
- 3 normal business practice.".
- 4 (2) Conforming amendment.—The table of sec-
- 5 tions of chapter 5 of title 11, United States Code, is
- 6 amended by inserting after the item relating to section
- 7 560 the following:
 - "561. Contractual right to terminate, liquidate, accelerate, or offset under a master netting agreement and across contracts.".
- 8 (1) MUNICIPAL BANKRUPTCIES.—Section 901(a) of
- 9 title 11, United States Code, is amended—
- 10 (1) by inserting "555, 556," after "553,"; and
- 11 (2) by inserting "559, 560, 561, 562," after
- 12 "557,".
- 13 (m) Ancillary Proceedings.—Section 304 of title
- 14 11, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
- 15 the following new subsection:
- 16 "(d) Any provisions of this title relating to securities
- 17 contracts, commodity contracts, forward contracts, repur-
- 18 chase agreements, swap agreements, or master netting
- 19 agreements shall apply in a case ancillary to a foreign pro-
- 20 ceeding under this section or any other section of this title
- 21 so that enforcement of contractual provisions of such con-
- 22 tracts and agreements in accordance with their terms will
- 23 not be stayed or otherwise limited by operation of any pro-
- 24 vision of this title or by order of a court in any proceeding

- 1 under this title, and to limit avoidance powers to the same
- 2 extent as in a proceeding under chapter 7 or 11 (such
- 3 enforcement not to be limited based on the presence or
- 4 absence of assets of the debtor in the United States).".
- 5 (n) Commodity Broker Liquidations.—Title 11,
- 6 United States Code, is amended by inserting after section
- 7 766 the following:
- 8 "§ 767. Commodity broker liquidation and forward
- 9 contract merchants, commodity brokers,
- 10 stockbrokers, financial institutions, fi-
- 11 nancial participants, securities clearing
- 12 agencies, swap participants, repo partici-
- pants, and master netting agreement par-
- 14 ticipants
- 15 "Notwithstanding any other provision of this title,
- 16 the exercise of rights by a forward contract merchant,
- 17 commodity broker, stockbroker, financial institution, fi-
- 18 nancial participant, securities clearing agency, swap par-
- 19 ticipant, repo participant, or master netting agreement
- 20 participant under this title shall not affect the priority of
- 21 any unsecured claim it may have after the exercise of such
- 22 rights.".
- 23 (o) STOCKBROKER LIQUIDATIONS.—Title 11, United
- 24 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 752 the
- 25 following:

1	"§ 753. Stockbroker liquidation and forward contract					
2	merchants, commodity brokers, stock-					
3	brokers, financial institutions, financial					
4	participants, securities clearing agencies,					
5	swap participants, repo participants, and					
6	master netting agreement participants					
7	"Notwithstanding any other provision of this title,					
8	the exercise of rights by a forward contract merchant,					
9	commodity broker, stockbroker, financial institution, secu-					
10	rities clearing agency, swap participant, repo participant,					
11	financial participant, or master netting agreement partici-					
12	pant under this title shall not affect the priority of any					
13	unsecured claim it may have after the exercise of such					
14	rights.".					
15	(p) Setoff.—Section 553 of title 11, United States					
16	Code, is amended—					
17	(1) in subsection $(a)(3)(C)$, by inserting "(ex-					
18	cept for a setoff of a kind described in section					
19	362(b)(6), 362(b)(7), 362(b)(17), 362(b)(32), 555,					
20	556, 559, 560 or 561)" before the period; and					
21	(2) in subsection $(b)(1)$, by striking					
22	" $362(b)(14)$ " and inserting " $362(b)(17)$,					
23	362(b)(32), 555, 556, 559, 560, 561".					
24	(q) Securities Contracts, Commodity Con-					
25	TRACTS, AND FORWARD CONTRACTS.—Title 11, United					
26	States Code is amended—					

1	(1) in section 362(b)(6), by striking "financial
2	institutions," each place such term appears and in-
3	serting "financial institution, financial participant";
4	(2) in section 546(e), by inserting "financial
5	participant," after "financial institution,";
6	(3) in section $548(d)(2)(B)$, by inserting "fi-
7	nancial participant," after "financial institution,";
8	(4) in section 555—
9	(A) by inserting "financial participant,"
10	after "financial institution,"; and
11	(B) by inserting before the period at the
12	end ", a right set forth in a bylaw of a clearing
13	organization or contract market or in a resolu-
14	tion of the governing board thereof, and a right,
15	whether or not in writing, arising under com-
16	mon law, under law merchant, or by reason of
17	normal business practice"; and
18	(5) in section 556, by inserting ", financial par-
19	ticipant" after "commodity broker".
20	(r) Conforming Amendments.—Title 11, United
21	States Code, is amended—
22	(1) in the table of sections of chapter 5—
23	(A) by amending the items relating to sec-
24	tions 555 and 556 to read as follows:

"555. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or accelerate a securities contract.

	$\hbox{``556. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or accelerate a commodities contract or forward contract.'';}$				
1	and				
2	(B) by amending the items relating to see				
3	tions 559 and 560 to read as follows:				
	"559. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or accelerate a repurcha				
	agreement. "560. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or accelerate a swap agreement.";				
4	and				
5	(2) in the table of sections of chapter 7—				
6	(A) by inserting after the item relating to				
7	section 766 the following:				
	"767. Commodity broker liquidation and forward contract merchants, commodity brokers, stockbrokers, financial institutions, financial participants, securities clearing agencies, swap participants, repo participants, and master netting agreement participants.";				
8	and				
9	(B) by inserting after the item relating to				
10	section 752 the following:				
	"753. Stockbroker liquidation and forward contract merchants, commodity brokers, stockbrokers, financial institutions, financial participants, securities clearing agencies, swap participants, repo participants, and master netting agreement participants.".				
11	SEC. 9. RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS.				
12	Section 11(e)(8) of the Federal Deposit Insurance				
13	Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)) is amended by adding at the				
14	end the following new subparagraph:				
15	"(H) Recordkeeping requirements.—				
16	The Corporation, in consultation with the ap-				
17	propriate Federal banking agencies, may pre-				

1	scribe regulations requiring more detailed rec-
2	ordkeeping with respect to qualified financial
3	contracts (including market valuations) by in-
4	sured depository institutions.".
5	SEC. 10. EXEMPTIONS FROM CONTEMPORANEOUS EXECU-
6	TION REQUIREMENT.
7	Section 13(e)(2) of the Federal Deposit Insurance
8	Act (12 U.S.C. 1823(e)(2)) is amended to read as follows:
9	"(2) Exemptions from contemporaneous
10	EXECUTION REQUIREMENT.—An agreement to pro-
11	vide for the lawful collateralization of—
12	"(A) deposits of, or other credit extension
13	by, a Federal, State, or local governmental enti-
14	ty, or of any depositor referred to in section
15	11(a)(2), including an agreement to provide col-
16	lateral in lieu of a surety bond;
17	"(B) bankruptcy estate funds pursuant to
18	section 345(b)(2) of title 11, United States
19	Code;
20	"(C) extensions of credit, including any
21	overdraft, from a Federal reserve bank or Fed-
22	eral home loan bank; or
23	"(D) 1 or more qualified financial con-
24	tracts, as defined in section $11(e)(8)(D)$,

- 1 shall not be deemed invalid pursuant to paragraph
- 2 (1)(B) solely because such agreement was not exe-
- 3 cuted contemporaneously with the acquisition of the
- 4 collateral or because of pledges, delivery, or substi-
- 5 tution of the collateral made in accordance with such
- 6 agreement.".

7 SEC. 11. DAMAGE MEASURE.

- 8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title 11, United States Code, is
- 9 amended—
- 10 (1) by inserting after section 561 the following:
- 11 "§ 562. Damage measure in connection with swap
- 12 agreements, securities contracts, forward
- contracts, commodity contracts, repur-
- 14 chase agreements, or master netting
- 15 agreements
- 16 "If the trustee rejects a swap agreement, securities
- 17 contract as defined in section 741, forward contract, com-
- 18 modity contract (as defined in section 761) repurchase
- 19 agreement, or master netting agreement pursuant to sec-
- 20 tion 365(a), or if a forward contract merchant, stock-
- 21 broker, financial institution, securities clearing agency,
- 22 repo participant, financial participant, master netting
- 23 agreement participant, or swap participant liquidates, ter-
- 24 minates, or accelerates such contract or agreement, dam-
- 25 ages shall be measured as of the earlier of—

1	"(1) the date of such rejection; or				
2	"(2) the date of such liquidation, termination,				
3	or acceleration."; and				
4	(2) in the table of sections of chapter 5 by in-				
5	serting after the item relating to section 561 the fol-				
6	lowing:				
	"562. Damage measure in connection with swap agreements, securities contracts, forward contracts, commodity contracts, repurchase agreements, or master netting agreements.".				
7	(b) Claims Arising From Rejection.—Section				
8	502(g) of title 11, United States Code, is amended—				
9	(1) by designating the existing text as para-				
10	graph (1); and				
11	(2) by adding at the end the following:				
12	"(2) A claim for damages calculated in accordance				
13	with section 562 shall be allowed under subsection (a), (b),				
14	or (c), or disallowed under subsection (d) or (e), as if such				
15	claim had arisen before the date of the filing of the peti-				
16	tion.".				
17	SEC. 12. SIPC STAY.				
18	Section 5(b)(2) of the Securities Investor Protection				
19	Act of 1970 (15 U.S.C. $78eee(b)(2)$) is amended by adding				
20	after subparagraph (B) the following new subparagraph:				
21	"(C) Exception from stay.—				
22	"(i) Notwithstanding section 362 of				
23	title 11, United States Code, neither the				
24	filing of an application under subsection				

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(a)(3) nor any order or decree obtained by the Securities Investor Protection Corporation from the court shall operate as a stay of any contractual rights of a creditor to liquidate, terminate, or accelerate a securities contract, commodity contract, forward repurchase contract. agreement, swap agreement, or master netting agreement, each as defined in title 11 United States Code, to offset or net termination values, payment amounts, or other transfer obligations arising under or in connection with 1 or more of such contracts or agreements, to foreclose on any cash collateral pledged by the debtor whether or not with respect to 1 or more of such contracts or agreements.

"(ii) Notwithstanding clause (i), such application, order, or decree may operate as a stay of the foreclosure on or disposition of securities collateral pledged by the debtor, whether or not with respect to 1 or more of such contracts or agreements, securities sold by the debtor under a repur-

1	chase agreement or securities lent under a					
2	securities lending agreement.					
3	"(iii) As used in this section, the term					
4	'contractual right' includes a right set					
5	forth in a rule or bylaw of a national secu-					
6	rities exchange, a national securities asso-					
7	ciation, or a securities clearing agency, a					
8	right set forth in a bylaw of a clearing or-					
9	ganization or contract market or in a reso-					
10	lution of the governing board thereof, and					
11	a right, whether or not in writing, arising					
12	under common law, under law merchant,					
13	or by reason of normal business practice.".					
14	SEC. 13. ASSET-BACKED SECURITIZATIONS.					
15	Section 541 of title 11, United States Code, is					
16	amended—					
17	(1) in subsection (b)—					
18	(A) by striking "or" at the end of para-					
19	graph (4)(B)(ii);					
20	(B) by redesignating paragraph (5) as					
21	paragraph (6); and					
22	(C) by inserting after paragraph (4) the					
23	following new paragraph:					
24	"(5) any eligible asset (or proceeds thereof), to					
25	the extent that such eligible asset was transferred by					

1	the debtor before the date of commencement of the
2	case, to an eligible entity in connection with an
3	asset-backed securitization, except to the extent such
4	asset (or proceeds or value thereof) may be recov-
5	ered by the trustee under section 550 by virtue of
6	avoidance under section 548(a)(1); or"; and
7	(2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
8	section:
9	"(e) For purposes of this section, the following defini-
10	tions shall apply:
11	"(1) the term 'asset-backed securitization'
12	means a transaction in which eligible assets trans-
13	ferred to an eligible entity are used as the source of
14	payment on securities, including all securities issued
15	by governmental units, at least 1 class or tranche of
16	which is rated investment grade by 1 or more na-
17	tionally recognized securities rating organizations,
18	when the securities are initially issued by an issuer;
19	"(2) the term 'eligible asset' means—
20	"(A) financial assets (including interests
21	therein and proceeds thereof), either fixed or re-
22	volving, whether or not such assets are in exist-
23	ence as of the date of the transfer, including
24	residential and commercial mortgage loans, con-

sumer receivables, trade receivables, assets of

1 governmental units (including payment obliga-2 tions relating to taxes, receipts, fines, tickets, and other sources of revenue), and lease receiv-3 4 ables, that, by their terms, convert into cash 5 within a finite time period, plus any residual interest in property subject to receivables in-6 7 cluded in such financial assets plus any rights 8 or other assets designed to assure the servicing 9 or timely distribution of proceeds to security 10 holders; 11 "(B) cash; and 12 securities, including all securities 13 issued by governmental units. 14 "(3) the term 'eligible entity' means— "(A) an issuer; or 15 "(B) a trust, corporation, partnership, gov-16 17 ernmental unit, limited liability company (in-18 cluding a single member limited liability com-19 pany), or other entity engaged exclusively in the 20 business of acquiring and transferring eligible assets directly or indirectly to an issuer and 21 22 taking actions ancillary thereto;

tion, partnership, governmental unit, limited liability company (including a single member limited liability

"(4) the term 'issuer' means a trust, corpora-

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- company), or other entity engaged exclusively in the 1 2 business of acquiring and holding eligible assets, 3 issuing securities backed by eligible assets, and taking actions ancillary thereto; and "(5) the term 'transferred' means the debtor, 6 pursuant to a written agreement, represented and warranted that eligible assets were sold, contributed, 7 8 or otherwise conveyed with the intention of removing 9 them from the estate of the debtor pursuant to sub-10 section (b)(5) (whether or not reference is made to 11 this title or any section of this title), irrespective, 12 without limitation, of— "(A) whether the debtor directly or indi-13 14 rectly obtained or held an interest in the issuer 15 or in any securities issued by the issuer; "(B) whether the debtor had an obligation 16 17 to repurchase or to service or supervise the 18 servicing of all or any portion of such eligible 19 assets; or
- 20 "(C) the characterization of such sale, con-21 tribution, or other conveyance for tax, account-22 ing, regulatory reporting, or other purposes.".

23 SEC. 14. APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS.

The amendments made by this Act shall apply with respect to cases commenced or appointments made under

- 1 any Federal or State law after the date of the enactment
- 2 of this Act, but shall not apply with respect to cases com-
- 3 menced or appointments made under any Federal or State
- 4 law before the date of the enactment of this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives October 24, 2000.

Attest:

Clerk.

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AN ACT

To revise the banking and bankruptcy insolvency laws with respect to the termination and netting of financial contracts, and for other purposes.