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LEGISLATIVE BILL 142

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Committee: Banking, Commerce and Insurance

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to farm product security interests; to amend
- 2 sections 52-1307 and 52-1603, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 3 Supplement, 2016; to redefine effective financing statement; to
- 4 change provisions relating to the master lien list; to repeal the
- original sections; and to declare an emergency.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 52-1307, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,

- 2 2016, is amended to read:
- 3 52-1307 Effective financing statement means a statement that:
- 4 (1) Is an original or reproduced copy thereof;
- 5 (2) Is filed by the secured party in the office of the Secretary of
- 6 State;
- 7 (3) Is signed, authorized, or otherwise authenticated by the debtor,
- 8 unless filed electronically, in which case the signature of the debtor
- 9 shall not be required;
- 10 (4) Contains (a) the name and address of the secured party, (b) the
- 11 name and address of the debtor, (c) the approved unique identifier of the
- 12 debtor, (d) a description of the farm products subject to the security
- 13 interest, (e) each county in Nebraska where the farm product is produced
- 14 or located, (f) crop year unless every crop of the farm product in
- 15 question, for the duration of the effective financing statement, is to be
- 16 subject to the particular security interest, (g) further details of the
- 17 farm product subject to the security interest if needed to distinguish it
- 18 from other quantities of such product owned by the same person or persons
- 19 but not subject to the particular security interest, and (h) such other
- 20 information that the Secretary of State may require to comply with
- 21 section 1324 of the Food Security Act of 1985, Public Law 99-198, or to
- 22 more efficiently carry out his or her duties under sections 52-1301 to
- 23 52-1322;
- 24 (5) Shall be amended in writing, within three months, and signed,
- 25 authorized, or otherwise authenticated by the debtor and filed, to
- 26 reflect material changes. A change in the name or address of the secured
- 27 party shall not constitute a material change. If the statement is filed
- 28 electronically, the signature of the debtor shall not be required;
- 29 (6) Remains effective for a period of five years from the date of
- 30 filing, subject to extensions for additional periods of five years each
- 31 by refiling or filing a continuation statement within six months before

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- 1 the expiration of the five-year period;
- 2 (7) Lapses on either the expiration of the effective period of the
- 3 statement or the filing of a notice signed by the secured party that the
- 4 statement is terminated, whichever occurs first;
- 5 (8) Is accompanied by the requisite filing fee set by section
- 6 52-1313; and
- 7 (9) Substantially complies with the requirements of this section
- 8 even though the statement contains minor errors that are not seriously
- 9 misleading.
- 10 An effective financing statement properly filed with a social
- 11 security number or an Internal Revenue Service taxpayer identification
- 12 number shall maintain its effectiveness regardless that such numbers are
- 13 not required on such statement.
- 14 An effective financing statement may, for any given debtor or
- 15 debtors, cover more than one farm product located in more than one
- 16 county.
- 17 Sec. 2. Section 52-1603, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 18 2016, is amended to read:
- 19 52-1603 (1) A buyer of farm products who is registered to receive or
- 20 obtain the master lien list as provided in section 52-1602 and who, in
- 21 the ordinary course of business, buys farm products from a seller engaged
- 22 in farming operations shall take free of any lien created under the
- 23 provisions of Chapter 52, article 2, 5, 9, 11, 12, or 14, if such lien is
- 24 not on the most recent master lien list received or obtained by the buyer
- 25 pursuant to sections 52-1601 to 52-1605, except that such buyer shall
- 26 take subject to any such lien if the lien was filed after the last date
- 27 for inclusion in the most recent distribution or publication of the
- 28 master lien list and if the buyer has received from the lienholder or
- 29 seller written notice of the lien. For purposes of this subsection, the
- 30 form of such written notice of the lien may be a copy of the lien filing.
- 31 For purposes of this subsection, received or obtained by the buyer means

- 1 shall mean the first date upon which delivery or publication of the
- 2 master lien list is attempted by a carrier or, in the case of electronic
- 3 publication, the first date upon which the Secretary of State made the
- 4 most current master lien list available electronically, and in all cases
- 5 in which delivery of the master lien list in involved a buyer shall be
- 6 presumed to have received or obtained the master lien list ten days after
- 7 it was mailed or published by the Secretary of State.
- 8 (2) If a buyer buying property subject to a lien created under the
- 9 provisions of Chapter 52, article 2, 5, 9, 11, 12, or 14, tenders to the
- 10 seller the total purchase price by means of a check or other instrument
- 11 payable to such seller and the lienholder of any such lien for such
- 12 property and if such lienholder authorizes the negotiation of such check
- 13 or other instrument, such authorization or endorsement and payment
- 14 thereof shall constitute a waiver or release of the lien specified to the
- 15 extent of the amount of the check or instrument. Such waiver or release
- 16 of the lien shall not serve to establish or alter in any way security
- 17 interest or lien priorities under Nebraska law.
- 18 (3) Except as otherwise provided in the provisions of subsections
- 19 (1) and (2) of this section, sections 52-1601 to 52-1605 shall not be
- 20 interpreted or construed to alter liability of buyers of property subject
- 21 to liens created under the provisions of Chapter 52, article 2, 5, 9, 11,
- 22 12, or 14.
- 23 Sec. 3. Original sections 52-1307 and 52-1603, Revised Statutes
- 24 Cumulative Supplement, 2016, are repealed.
- 25 Sec. 4. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
- 26 passed and approved according to law.