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SENATE FILE 2374 BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 3235)

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	A BILL FOR
1 2 3	An Act containing various provisions relating to business entities, including limited partnerships, corporations, limited liability companies, cooperatives, and nonprofit
4	corporations.
5	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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9	SENATE FILE 2374 S-5052
10	1 Amend Senate File 2374 as follows:
11	2 1. Title page, by striking lines 2 and 3 and 3 inserting the following: "entities, including
12	4 corporations, limited liability companies, and
13	5 nonprofit". By BRIAN SCHOENJAHN
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1 DIVISION I

2 BUSINESS CORPORATIONS

- 3 Section 1. Section 490.401, subsection 2, paragraph b,
- 4 Code Supplement 2005, is amended by striking the paragraph and
- 5 inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 6 b. A name reserved, registered, or protected as follows:
- 7 (1) For a limited liability partnership, section 486A.1001 8 or 486A.1002.
- 9 (2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108, 488.109,
- 10 or 488.810.
- 11 (3) For a business corporation, this section, or section
- 12 490.402, 490.403, or 490.1422.
- 13 (4) For a limited liability company, section 490A.401 or
- 14 490A.402.
- 15 (5) For a nonprofit corporation, section 504.401, 504.402,
- 16 504.403, or 504.1423.
- 17 Sec. 2. Section 490.401, subsection 5, Code Supplement
- 18 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 19 5. This chapter does not control the use of fictitious
- 20 names; however, if a corporation or a foreign corporation uses
- 21 a fictitious name in this state it shall deliver to the
- 22 secretary of state for filing a certified copy of the
- 23 resolution of-its-board-of-directors,-certified-by-its
- 24 secretary filed and executed according to section 490.120,
- 25 adopting the fictitious name.
- 26 Sec. 3. Section 490.630, subsection 1, Code 2005, is
- 27 amended to read as follows:
- 28 1. Unless-section-490-1704-is-applicable-to-the
- 29 corporation, the The shareholders of a corporation do not have
- 30 a preemptive right to acquire the corporation's unissued
- 31 shares except to the extent the articles of incorporation so
- 32 provide.
- 33 Sec. 4. Section 490.704, subsection 1, Code 2005, is
- 34 amended to read as follows:
- 35 l. Unless otherwise provided in the articles of

- 1 incorporation, any action required or permitted by this
- 2 chapter to be taken at a shareholders' meeting may be taken
- 3 without a meeting or vote, and, except as provided in
- 4 subsection 5, without prior notice, if one or more written
- 5 consents describing the action taken are signed by the holders
- 6 of outstanding shares having not less than ninety-percent-of
- 7 the-votes-entitled-to-be-cast the minimum number of votes that
- 8 would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a
- 9 meeting at which all shares entitled to vote on the action
- 10 were present and voted, and are delivered to the corporation
- ll for inclusion in the minutes or filing with the corporate
- 12 records.
- 13 Sec. 5. Section 490.1422, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code
- 14 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 15 c. State If the application is received more than five
- 16 years after the effective date of dissolution, state a
- 17 corporate name that satisfies the requirements of section
- 18 490.401.
- 19 Sec. 6. Section 490.1506, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 20 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 21 b. A corporate name reserved or, registered under, or
- 22 protected as provided in section 490.402 or 490.403.
- 23 Sec. 7. Section 534.508, subsection 1, Code 2005, is
- 24 amended to read as follows:
- 25 1. IN GENERAL. Sections 490.601 through 490.604, 490.620
- 26 through 490.628, and 490.6307-and-490.1704 apply to stock
- 27 associations.
- 28 Sec. 8. Sections 490.1704 and 490.1705, Code 2005, are
- 29 repealed.
- 30 DIVISION II
- 31 LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES
- 32 Sec. 9. Section 490A.131, subsection 4, Code Supplement
- 33 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 34 4. If a filed biennial report contains an address of a
- 35 designated registered office or the name or address of an a

- 1 registered agent for-service-of-process which differs from the
- 2 information shown in the records of the secretary of state
- 3 immediately before the filing, the differing information in
- 4 the biennial report is considered a statement of change under
- 5 section 490A.502.
- 6 Sec. 10. Section 490A.201, Code 2005, is amended to read
- 7 as follows:
- 8 490A.201 PURPOSES.
- 9 1. A limited liability company organized under this
- 10 chapter has the purpose of engaging in any lawful business
- ll activity unless a more limited purpose is set forth in the
- 12 articles of organization.
- 2. A limited liability company engaging in a-business an
- 14 activity that is subject to regulation under another statute
- 15 of this state may organize under this chapter only if
- 16 permitted by, and subject to all limitations of, the other
- 17 statute.
- 18 Sec. 11. Section 490A.305, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 19 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 20 b. Separate and distinct records are maintained for the
- 21 that series and separate and distinct records account for the
- 22 assets associated with the that series are-held-and. The
- 23 assets associated with a series must be accounted for
- 24 separately from the other assets of the limited liability
- 25 company, or-from-any-other-series-of-the-limited-liability
- 26 company including another series.
- 27 Sec. 12. Section 490A.305, subsection 13, Code 2005, is
- 28 amended to read as follows:
- 29 13. A foreign limited liability company that is
- 30 registering authorized to do business in this state under this
- 31 chapter subchapter XIV which is governed by an operating
- 32 agreement that establishes or provides for the establishment
- 33 of designated series of members, managers, or membership
- 34 interests having separate rights, powers, or duties with
- 35 respect to specified property or obligations of the foreign

- 1 limited liability company, or profits and losses associated
- 2 with the specified property or obligations, shall indicate
- 3 that fact on the application for registration a certificate of
- 4 authority as a foreign limited liability company. In
- 5 addition, the foreign limited liability company shall state on
- 6 the application whether the debts, liabilities, and
- 7 obligations incurred, contracted for, or otherwise existing
- 8 with respect to a particular series, if any, are enforceable
- 9 against the assets of such series only, and not against the
- 10 assets of the foreign limited liability company generally.
- 11 Sec. 13. Section 490A.1401, Code 2005, is amended to read
- 12 as follows:
- 13 490A.1401 LAW GOVERNING.
- 14 The law of the state or other jurisdiction under which a
- 15 foreign limited liability company is formed governs its
- 16 formation and internal affairs and the liability of its
- 17 members and managers. A foreign limited liability company
- 18 shall not be denied registration a certificate of authority by
- 19 reason of any difference between those laws and the laws of
- 20 this state. A foreign limited liability company holding a
- 21 valid registration certificate of authority in this state
- 22 shall have no greater rights and privileges than a domestic
- 23 limited liability company. The registration certificate of
- 24 authority shall not be deemed to authorize the foreign limited
- 25 liability company to exercise any of its powers or purposes
- 26 that a domestic limited liability company is forbidden by law
- 27 to exercise in this state.
- Sec. 14. Section 490A.1404, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
- 29 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 30 A certificate of registration authority shall not be issued
- 31 to a foreign limited liability company unless the name of the
- 32 limited liability company satisfies the requirements of
- 33 section 490A.401. To obtain or maintain a certificate of
- 34 registration authority, the company shall comply with the
- 35 following:

- 1 Sec. 15. Section 490A.1405, Code 2005, is amended to read
- 2 as follows:
- 3 490A.1405 CHANGE AND AMENDMENT.
- 4 If any statement in the application for registration a
- 5 certificate of authority of a foreign limited liability
- 6 company was false when made or any arrangements or other facts
- 7 described have changed, making the application inaccurate in
- 8 any respect, the foreign limited liability company shall
- 9 promptly deliver to the secretary of state for filing articles
- 10 of correction correcting such statement as required by section
- 11 490A.123.
- 12 Sec. 16. Section 490A.1406, subsection 1, paragraph b,
- 13 Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- b. That the foreign limited liability company is not
- 15 transacting business in this state and that it surrenders its
- 16 registration certificate of authority to transact business in
- 17 this state.
- 18 Sec. 17. Section 490A.1406, subsection 2, Code 2005, is
- 19 amended to read as follows:
- 20 2. The certificate of registration authority shall be
- 21 canceled upon the filing of the certificate of cancellation by
- 22 the secretary of state.
- Sec. 18. Section 490A.1410, subsection 2, unnumbered
- 24 paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 25 A certificate of registration authority of a foreign
- 26 limited liability company shall not be revoked by the
- 27 secretary of state, unless both of the following apply:
- 28 DIVISION III
- 29 NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS
- 30 Sec. 19. Section 504.403, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code
- 31 Supplement 2005, is amended by striking the paragraph and
- 32 inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 33 b. A name reserved, registered, or protected as follows:
- 34 (1) For a limited liability partnership, section 486A.1001
- 35 or 486A.1002.

- 1 (2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108, 488.109, 2 or 488.810.
- 3 (3) For a business corporation, section 490.401, 490.402,
- 4 490.403, or 490.1422.
- 5 (4) For a limited liability company, section 490A.401 or 6 490A.402.
- 7 (5) For a nonprofit corporation, this section or section 8 501.401, 501.402, or 504.1423.
- 9 Sec. 20. Section 504.702, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code
- 10 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- ll b. Except as provided in the articles or bylaws of a
- 12 religious corporation, if the holders of at least five percent
- 13 of the voting power of any corporation sign, date, and deliver
- 14 to any corporate officer one or more written demands for the
- 15 meeting describing the purpose for which it is to be held.
- 16 Unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation, a
- 17 written demand for a special meeting may be revoked by a
- 18 writing to that effect received by the corporation prior to
- 19 the receipt by the corporation of demands sufficient in number
- 20 to require the holding of a special meeting.
- 21 Sec. 21. Section 504.808, subsection 10, unnumbered
- 22 paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 23 The articles or bylaws of a religious corporation may do
- 24 both of the following:
- Sec. 22. Section 504.901, Code Supplement 2005, is amended
- 26 to read as follows:
- 27 504.901 PERSONAL LIABILITY.
- 28 <u>l.</u> Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a
- 29 director, officer, employee, or member of a corporation is not
- 30 liable for the corporation's debts or obligations and a
- 31 director, officer, member, or other volunteer is not
- 32 personally liable in that capacity to any person for any
- 33 action taken or failure to take any action in the discharge of
- 34 the person's duties except liability for any of the following:
- 35 1. a. The amount of any financial benefit to which the

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- 1 person is not entitled.
- 2 2. b. An intentional infliction of harm on the
- 3 corporation or the members.
- 4 3. c. A violation of section 504.835.
- 5 4. d. An intentional violation of criminal law.
- 6 2. A provision set forth in the articles of incorporation
- 7 eliminating or limiting the liability of a director to the
- 8 corporation or its members for money damages for any action
- 9 taken, or any failure to take any action, pursuant to section
- 10 504.202, subsection 2, paragraph "d", shall not affect the
- 11 applicability of this section.
- 12 Sec. 23. Section 504.1001, Code 2005, is amended to read
- 13 as follows:
- 14 504.1001 AUTHORITY TO AMEND.
- 15 A corporation may amend its articles of incorporation at
- 16 any time to add or change a provision that is required or
- 17 permitted in the articles as of the effective date of the
- 18 amendment or to delete a provision that is not required to be
- 19 contained in the articles of incorporation. Whether-a
- 20 provision-is-required-or-permitted-in-the-articles-is
- 21 determined-as-of-the-effective-date-of-the-amendment.
- 22 Sec. 24. Section 504.1002, subsection 1, Code 2005, is
- 23 amended to read as follows:
- Unless the articles of incorporation provide otherwise,
- 25 a corporation's board of directors may adopt one-or-more
- 26 amendments to the corporation's articles of incorporation
- 27 without member approval to-do for any of the following
- 28 purposes:
- 29 a. Extend To extend the duration of the corporation if it
- 30 was incorporated at a time when limited duration was required
- 31 by law.
- 32 b. Belete To delete the names and addresses of the initial
- 33 directors.
- 34 c. Delete To delete the name and address of the initial
- 35 registered agent or registered office, if a statement of

- 1 change is on file with the secretary of state.
- 2 d. Change To change the corporate name by substituting the
- 3 word "corporation", "incorporated", "company", "limited", or
- 4 the abbreviation "corp.", "inc.", "co.", or "ltd.", for a
- 5 similar word or abbreviation in the name, or by adding,
- 6 deleting, or changing a geographical attribution to the name.
- 7 e. Make To make any other change expressly permitted by
- 8 this subchapter to be made by director action.
- 9 Sec. 25. Section 504.1005, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
- 10 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 11 A After an amendment to the articles of incorporation has
- 12 been adopted and approved in the manner required by this
- 13 chapter and by the articles of incorporation or bylaws, the
- 14 corporation amending its articles shall deliver to the
- 15 secretary of state, for filing, articles of amendment setting
- 16 forth:
- 17 Sec. 26. Section 504.1005, subsections 4 and 5, Code 2005,
- 18 are amended to read as follows:
- 19 4. If approval by members was not required, a-statement-to
- 20 that-effect-and a statement that the amendment was duly
- 21 approved by a-sufficient-vote-of the incorporators or by the
- 22 board of directors or-incorporators, as the case may be, and
- 23 that member approval was not required.
- 24 5. If approval by members was required, both-of-the
- 25 following:
- 26 a:--The-designation; -number-of-memberships-outstanding;
- 27 number-of-votes-entitled-to-be-cast-by-each-class-entitled-to
- 28 vote-separately-on-the-amendment,-and-number-of-votes-of-each
- 29 class-indisputably-voting-on-the-amendment.
- 30 b---Either-the-total-number-of-votes-cast-for-and-against
- 31 the-amendment-by-each-class-entitled-to-vote-separately-on-the
- 32 amendment-or-the-total-number-of-undisputed-votes-cast-for-the
- 33 amendment-by-each-class-and a statement that the number-of
- 34 votes-cast-for-the amendment by-each-class was sufficient-for
- 35 approval-by-that-class duly approved by the members in the

- 1 manner required by this chapter, the articles of
- 2 incorporation, and bylaws.
- 3 Sec. 27. Section 504.1006, Code 2005, is amended to read
- 4 as follows:
- 5 504.1006 RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.
- 6 l. A corporation's board of directors may restate the
- 7 corporation's articles of incorporation at any time with or
- 8 without approval by members or any other person, to
- 9 consolidate all amendments into a single document.
- 10 2. The-restatement-may If the restated articles include
- 11 one or more new amendments to-the-articles:-- If-the
- 12 restatement-includes-an-amendment-requiring that require
- 13 approval by the members or any other person, it the amendments
- 14 must be adopted as provided in section 504.1003.
- 15 3--- #f-the-restatement-includes-an-amendment-requiring
- 16 approval-by-members,-the-board-must-submit-the-restatement-to
- 17 the-members-for-their-approval-
- 18 4---If-the-board-seeks-to-have-the-restatement-approved-by
- 19 the-members-at-a-membership-meeting,-the-corporation-shall
- 20 notify-each-of-its-members-of-the-proposed-membership-meeting
- 21 in-writing-in-accordance-with-section-504.705.--The-notice
- 22 must-also-state-that-the-purpose,-or-one-of-the-purposes,-of
- 23 the-meeting-is-to-consider-the-proposed-restatement-and-must
- 24 contain-or-be-accompanied-by-a-copy-or-summary-of-the
- 25 restatement-that-identifies-any-amendments-or-other-changes
- 26 the-restatement-would-make-in-the-articles-
- 27 5---If-the-board-seeks-to-have-the-restatement-approved-by
- 28 the-members-by-written-ballot-or-written-consent,-the-material
- 29 soliciting-the-approval-shall-contain-or-be-accompanied-by-a
- 30 copy-or-summary-of-the-restatement-that-identifies-any
- 31 amendments-or-other-changes-the-restatement-would-make-in-the
- 32 articles-
- 33 6.--A-restatement-requiring-approval-by-the-members-must-be
- 34 approved-by-the-same-vote-as-an-amendment-to-articles-under
- 35 section-504-1003-

- 1 7. 3. If the restatement includes an amendment requiring
- 2 approval pursuant to section 504.1031, the board must submit 3 the restatement for such approval.
- 4 8- 4. A corporation restating that restates its articles
- 5 of incorporation shall deliver to the secretary of state for
- 6 filing articles of restatement setting forth the name of the
- 7 corporation and the text of the restated articles of
- 8 incorporation together with a certificate setting-forth-all-of
- 9 the-following:
- 10 a---Whether-the-restatement-contains-an-amendment-to-the
- 11 articles-requiring-approval-by-the-members-or-any-other-person
- 12 other-than-the-board-of-directors-and,-if-it-does-not,-that
- 13 the-board-of-directors-adopted-the-restatement-
- 14 b---If-the-restatement-contains-an-amendment-to-the
- 15 articles-requiring-approval-by-the-members,-the-information
- 16 required-by-section-504.1005.
- 17 c--- If-the-restatement-contains-an-amendment-to-the
- 18 articles-requiring-approval-by-a-person-whose-approval-is
- 19 required-pursuant-to-section-504-10317-a-statement-that-such
- 20 approval-was-obtained stating that the restated articles
- 21 consolidate all amendments into a single document. If a new
- 22 amendment is included in the restated articles, the
- 23 corporation shall include the statement required in section
- 24 504.1005.
- 25 9. 5. Duly adopted restated articles of incorporation
- 26 supersede the original articles of incorporation and all
- 27 amendments to the original articles of incorporation.
- 28 10. The secretary of state may certify restated
- 29 articles of incorporation as the articles of incorporation
- 30 currently in effect without including the certificate
- 31 information required by subsection 84.
- 32 Sec. 28. Section 504.1007, subsection 1, Code 2005, is
- 33 amended to read as follows:
- 1. A corporation's articles may be amended without board
- 35 approval or approval by the members or approval required

- 1 pursuant to section 504.1031 to carry out a plan of
- 2 reorganization ordered or decreed by a court of competent
- 3 jurisdiction under federal-statute-if-the-articles-after
- 4 amendment-contain-only-provisions-required-or-permitted-by
- 5 section-504-202 the authority of law of the United States.
- 6 Sec. 29. Section 504.1008, Code Supplement 2005, is
- 7 amended to read as follows:
- 8 504.1008 EFFECT OF AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT.
- 9 An amendment to the articles of incorporation does not
- 10 affect a cause of action existing against or in favor of the
- 11 corporation, a proceeding to which the corporation is a party,
- 12 any requirement or limitation imposed upon the corporation, or
- 13 any property held by it by virtue of any trust upon which such
- 14 property is held by the corporation, or the existing rights of
- 15 persons other than members of the corporation. An amendment
- 16 changing a corporation's name does not abate a proceeding
- 17 brought by or against the corporation in its former name.
- 18 Sec. 30. Section 504.1506, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 19 Supplement 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 20 b. A corporate name reserved, or registered under, or
- 21 protected as provided in section 490.402 or 490.403 or section
- 22 504.402 or 504.403.
- 23 Sec. 31. NEW SECTION. 504.1607 EXCEPTION TO NOTICE
- 24 REOUIREMENT.
- 25 l. Whenever notice is required to be given under any
- 26 provision of this chapter to any member, such notice shall not
- 27 be required to be given if notice of two consecutive annual
- 28 meetings, and all notices of meetings during the period
- 29 between such two consecutive annual meetings, have been sent
- 30 to the member at the member's address as shown on the records
- 31 of the corporation and have been returned as undeliverable.
- 32 2. If the member delivers to the corporation a written
- 33 notice setting forth the member's then-current address, the
- 34 requirement that notice be given to the member shall be
- 35 reinstated.

EXPLANATION

- 2 This bill is divided into a number of divisions
- 3 corresponding to Code chapters governing different forms of
- 4 business entities, including division I which amends
- 5 provisions in Code chapter 490 governing business
- 6 corporations, division II which amends provisions in Code
- 7 chapter 490A governing limited liability companies, and
- 8 division III amending provisions in Code chapter 504 governing
- 9 nonprofit corporations.

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- 10 DIVISION I -- BUSINESS CORPORATIONS. Code section 490.401
- 11 restricts how a business corporation may name itself. The
- 12 division provides that the name must be distinguished from
- 13 names of other business entities in existence or which may be
- 14 reinstated following administrative dissolution, including a
- 15 limited liability partnership (Code chapter 486A), a limited
- 16 partnership (Code chapter 488), another business corporation,
- 17 a limited liability company (Code chapter 490A), or a
- 18 nonprofit corporation (Code chapter 504).
- 19 Code section 490.401 is amended to allow a business
- 20 corporation to file a certified copy of a resolution with the
- 21 secretary of state to use a fictitious name.
- 22 Code section 490.704 is amended to allow a business
- 23 corporation to take action without a meeting with the consent
- 24 of shareholders having the minimum number of votes required to
- 25 authorize the action at a meeting.
- 26 Code section 490.1422 provides procedures for reinstatement
- 27 by the secretary of state. The division provides that a
- 28 corporation does not relinquish the right to retain its
- 29 corporate name if the reinstatement is effective within five
- 30 years of the effective date of the corporation's dissolution.
- 31 DIVISION II -- LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES. Code section
- 32 490A.131 requires a limited liability company to deliver a
- 33 biennial report to the secretary of state. The division
- 34 provides that the report must include the name and address of
- 35 the limited liability company's registered office and agent.

- 1 Code section 490A.201 is amended to provide that a limited
- 2 liability company may have as its purpose any lawful activity,
- 3 not just a lawful business activity.
- 4 Code section 490A.305 is amended to further describe the
- 5 requirements for maintenance of separate and distinct records
- 6 associated with a series of members, managers, or membership
- 7 interests of a limited liability company.
- 8 In addition, the division amends Code sections 490A.305,
- 9 490A.1401, 409A.1405, 490A.1406, and 490A.1410 by making
- 10 terminology changes in Code chapter 490A relating to the
- ll issuance of certificates of authority to foreign limited
- 12 liability companies.
- 13 DIVISION III -- NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS. Code section
- 14 504.401 restricts how a nonprofit corporation may name itself.
- 15 The division amends Code section 504.403 to provide that the
- 16 registered name must be distinguished from names of other
- 17 business entities in existence or which may be reinstated
- 18 following dissolution, in the same manner as the business
- 19 entities described in division I.
- 20 Code section 504.702 is amended to provide that any
- 21 nonprofit corporation, not just a religious corporation, can
- 22 alter the statutory demand requirements for holding a special
- 23 meeting of the corporation in its corporate articles or
- 24 bylaws.
- 25 Code section 504.808 is amended to provide that any
- 26 nonprofit corporation, not just a religious corporation, can
- 27 alter the statutory requirements for removal of elected
- 28 corporate directors in its corporate articles or bylaws.
- 29 Code section 504.901 provides personal liability for
- 30 directors. The division amends the section by providing that
- 31 a provision in a nonprofit corporation's articles of
- 32 incorporation limiting personal liability of a director does
- 33 not affect provisions in the Code section which shield a
- 34 director or member from assuming debts of the nonprofit
- 35 corporation.

Code section 504.1001 is amended to make the language 1 2 consistent with Code section 490.1001, relating to business 3 corporations, by providing that a nonprofit corporation has 4 the authority to amend its articles of incorporation by adding 5 or changing a provision that is required or permitted in the 6 articles of incorporation as of the effective date of the 7 amendment, or to delete a provision not required in the 8 articles of incorporation. Code section 504.1002 is amended to make the language 10 consistent with Code section 490.1005 relating to business 11 corporations, providing for amendments of articles of 12 incorporation by corporate directors. Code section 504.1005 is amended to make the language 13 14 consistent with Code section 490.1006 relating to business 15 corporations, and provides that articles of amendment of a 16 nonprofit corporation be adopted and approved as required by 17 law and by the corporate articles or bylaws before being 18 delivered to the secretary of state for filing. Code section 504.1005 is amended to make the language 20 consistent with Code section 490.1006 relating to business 21 corporations, and provides that the articles of amendment of a 22 nonprofit corporation must include a statement that member 23 approval was not required and the amendment was approved by 24 the incorporators or directors, or a statement that member 25 approval was required and was approved as required by law and 26 by the corporate articles or bylaws. 27 Code section 504.1006 is also amended to make the language 28 consistent with Code section 490.1007 relating to business 29 corporations, and provides that a nonprofit corporation's 30 board of directors may consolidate all amendments into a 31 single restated article of incorporation, any new amendments 32 included in the restated articles that require approval must 33 meet the requirements for amendments contained in Code section 34 504.1003, and restated articles of incorporation must be

35 delivered to the secretary of state for filing accompanied by

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1 a certificate stating that the restated articles consolidate 2 all amendments into one document and, if new amendments are 3 included, the statement required under Code section 504.1005. Code section 504.1007 is amended to make the language 5 consistent with Code section 490.1008 relating to business 6 corporations, and provides that a nonprofit corporation's 7 articles may be amended without board or member approval or 8 approval by a third person under Code section 504.1031 to 9 carry out a plan of reorganization ordered by a court of 10 competent jurisdiction under the authority of United States ll law. 12 Code section 504.1008 is amended to make the language 13 consistent with Code section 490.1009, relating to business 14 corporations, and is a technical correction. New Code section 504.1607 provides that notice to a member 16 of a nonprofit corporation is no longer required if notice of 17 two consecutive annual meetings and all notices of meetings 18 between the two consecutive annual meetings have been sent to 19 the member at the address of record and returned as 20 undeliverable. The notice requirement can be reinstated if 21 the member delivers written notice of the member's current 22 address to the corporation. 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34

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1 DIVISION I

2 BUSINESS CORPORATIONS

- 3 Section 1. Section 490.401, subsection 2, paragraph b,
- 4 Code Supplement 2005, is amended by striking the paragraph and
- 5 inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 6 b. A name reserved, registered, or protected as follows:
- 7 (1) For a limited liability partnership, section 486A.1001
- 8 or 486A.1002.
- 9 (2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108, 488.109,
- 10 or 488.810.
- 11 (3) For a business corporation, this section, or section
- 12 490.402, 490.403, or 490.1422.
- 13 (4) For a limited liability company, section 490A.401 or
- 14 490A.402.
- 15 (5) For a nonprofit corporation, section 504.401, 504.402,
- 16 504.403, or 504.1423.
- 17 Sec. 2. Section 490.401, subsection 5, Code Supplement
- 18 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 19 5. This chapter does not control the use of fictitious
- 20 names; however, if a corporation or a foreign corporation uses
- 21 a fictitious name in this state it shall deliver to the
- 22 secretary of state for filing a certified copy of the
- 23 resolution of-its-board-of-directors,-certified-by-its
- 24 secretary filed and executed according to section 490.120,
- 25 adopting the fictitious name.
- 26 Sec. 3. Section 490.630, subsection 1, Code 2005, is
- 27 amended to read as follows:
- 28 1. Unless-section-490-1704-is-applicable-to-the
- 29 corporation, the The shareholders of a corporation do not have
- 30 a preemptive right to acquire the corporation's unissued
- 31 shares except to the extent the articles of incorporation so
- 32 provide.
- 33 Sec. 4. Section 490.704, subsection 1, Code 2005, is
- 34 amended to read as follows:
- 35 1. Unless otherwise provided in the articles of

- 1 incorporation, any action required or permitted by this
- 2 chapter to be taken at a shareholders' meeting may be taken
- 3 without a meeting or vote, and, except as provided in
- 4 subsection 5, without prior notice, if one or more written
- 5 consents describing the action taken are signed by the holders
- 6 of outstanding shares having not less than ninety-percent-of
- 7 the-votes-entitled-to-be-cast the minimum number of votes that
- 8 would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a
- 9 meeting at which all shares entitled to vote on the action
- 10 were present and voted, and are delivered to the corporation
- 11 for inclusion in the minutes or filing with the corporate
- 12 records.
- 13 Sec. 5. Section 490.1422, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code
- 14 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 15 c. State If the application is received more than five
- 16 years after the effective date of dissolution, state a
- 17 corporate name that satisfies the requirements of section
- 18 490.401.
- 19 Sec. 6. Section 490.1506, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 20 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 21 b. A corporate name reserved or, registered under, or
- 22 protected as provided in section 490.402 or 490.403.
- 23 Sec. 7. Section 534.508, subsection 1, Code 2005, is
- 24 amended to read as follows:
- 25 1. IN GENERAL. Sections 490.601 through 490.604, 490.620
- 26 through 490.628, and 490.630, and 490.630, and 490.630 and 490.
- 27 associations.
- 28 Sec. 8. Sections 490.1704 and 490.1705, Code 2005, are
- 29 repealed.
- 30 DIVISION II
- 31 LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES
- 32 Sec. 9. Section 490A.131, subsection 4, Code Supplement
- 33 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 34 4. If a filed biennial report contains an address of a
- 35 designated registered office or the name or address of an a

- 1 registered agent for-service-of-process which differs from the
- 2 information shown in the records of the secretary of state
- 3 immediately before the filing, the differing information in
- 4 the biennial report is considered a statement of change under
- 5 section 490A.502.
- 6 Sec. 10. Section 490A.201, Code 2005, is amended to read
- 7 as follows:
- 8 490A.201 PURPOSES.
- 9 1. A limited liability company organized under this
- 10 chapter has the purpose of engaging in any lawful business
- ll activity unless a more limited purpose is set forth in the
- 12 articles of organization.
- 13 2. A limited liability company engaging in a-business an
- 14 activity that is subject to regulation under another statute
- 15 of this state may organize under this chapter only if
- 16 permitted by, and subject to all limitations of, the other
- 17 statute.
- 18 Sec. 11. Section 490A.305, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 19 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 20 b. Separate and distinct records are maintained for the
- 21 that series and separate and distinct records account for the
- 22 assets associated with the that series are-held-and. The
- 23 assets associated with a series must be accounted for
- 24 separately from the other assets of the limited liability
- 25 company, or-from-any-other-series-of-the-limited-liability
- 26 company including another series.
- 27 Sec. 12. Section 490A.305, subsection 13, Code 2005, is
- 28 amended to read as follows:
- 29 13. A foreign limited liability company that is
- 30 registering authorized to do business in this state under this
- 31 chapter subchapter XIV which is governed by an operating
- 32 agreement that establishes or provides for the establishment
- 33 of designated series of members, managers, or membership
- 34 interests having separate rights, powers, or duties with
- 35 respect to specified property or obligations of the foreign

- 1 limited liability company, or profits and losses associated
- 2 with the specified property or obligations, shall indicate
- 3 that fact on the application for registration a certificate of
- 4 authority as a foreign limited liability company. In
- 5 addition, the foreign limited liability company shall state on
- 6 the application whether the debts, liabilities, and
- 7 obligations incurred, contracted for, or otherwise existing
- 8 with respect to a particular series, if any, are enforceable
- 9 against the assets of such series only, and not against the
- 10 assets of the foreign limited liability company generally.
- 11 Sec. 13. Section 490A.1401, Code 2005, is amended to read
- 12 as follows:
- 13 490A.1401 LAW GOVERNING.
- 14 The law of the state or other jurisdiction under which a
- 15 foreign limited liability company is formed governs its
- 16 formation and internal affairs and the liability of its
- 17 members and managers. A foreign limited liability company
- 18 shall not be denied registration a certificate of authority by
- 19 reason of any difference between those laws and the laws of
- 20 this state. A foreign limited liability company holding a
- 21 valid registration certificate of authority in this state
- 22 shall have no greater rights and privileges than a domestic
- 23 limited liability company. The registration certificate of
- 24 authority shall not be deemed to authorize the foreign limited
- 25 liability company to exercise any of its powers or purposes
- 26 that a domestic limited liability company is forbidden by law
- 27 to exercise in this state.
- Sec. 14. Section 490A.1404, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
- 29 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 30 A certificate of registration authority shall not be issued
- 31 to a foreign limited liability company unless the name of the
- 32 limited liability company satisfies the requirements of
- 33 section 490A.401. To obtain or maintain a certificate of
- 34 registration authority, the company shall comply with the
- 35 following:

- 1 Sec. 15. Section 490A.1405, Code 2005, is amended to read
- 2 as follows:
- 3 490A.1405 CHANGE AND AMENDMENT.
- 4 If any statement in the application for registration a
- 5 certificate of authority of a foreign limited liability
- 6 company was false when made or any arrangements or other facts
- 7 described have changed, making the application inaccurate in
- 8 any respect, the foreign limited liability company shall
- 9 promptly deliver to the secretary of state for filing articles
- 10 of correction correcting such statement as required by section
- 11 490A.123.
- 12 Sec. 16. Section 490A.1406, subsection 1, paragraph b,
- 13 Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- b. That the foreign limited liability company is not
- 15 transacting business in this state and that it surrenders its
- 16 registration certificate of authority to transact business in
- 17 this state.
- 18 Sec. 17. Section 490A.1406, subsection 2, Code 2005, is
- 19 amended to read as follows:
- 20 2. The certificate of registration authority shall be
- 21 canceled upon the filing of the certificate of cancellation by
- 22 the secretary of state.
- Sec. 18. Section 490A.1410, subsection 2, unnumbered
- 24 paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 25 A certificate of registration authority of a foreign
- 26 limited liability company shall not be revoked by the
- 27 secretary of state, unless both of the following apply:
- 28 DIVISION III
- 29 NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS
- 30 Sec. 19. Section 504.403, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code
- 31 Supplement 2005, is amended by striking the paragraph and
- 32 inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 33 b. A name reserved, registered, or protected as follows:
- 34 (1) For a limited liability partnership, section 486A.1001
- 35 or 486A.1002.

- 1 (2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108, 488.109,
 2 or 488.810.
- 3 (3) For a business corporation, section 490.401, 490.402,
- 4 490.403, or 490.1422.
- 5 (4) For a limited liability company, section 490A.401 or 6 490A.402.
- 7 (5) For a nonprofit corporation, this section or section 8 501.401, 501.402, or 504.1423.
- 9 Sec. 20. Section 504.702, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code 10 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 11 b. Except as provided in the articles or bylaws of a
- 12 religious corporation, if the holders of at least five percent
- 13 of the voting power of any corporation sign, date, and deliver
- 14 to any corporate officer one or more written demands for the
- 15 meeting describing the purpose for which it is to be held.
- 16 Unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation, a
- 17 written demand for a special meeting may be revoked by a
- 18 writing to that effect received by the corporation prior to
- 19 the receipt by the corporation of demands sufficient in number
- 20 to require the holding of a special meeting.
- 21 Sec. 21. Section 504.808, subsection 10, unnumbered
- 22 paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 23 The articles or bylaws of a religious corporation may do
- 24 both of the following:
- 25 Sec. 22. Section 504.901, Code Supplement 2005, is amended
- 26 to read as follows:
- 27 504.901 PERSONAL LIABILITY.
- 28 <u>l.</u> Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a
- 29 director, officer, employee, or member of a corporation is not
- 30 liable for the corporation's debts or obligations and a
- 31 director, officer, member, or other volunteer is not
- 32 personally liable in that capacity to any person for any
- 33 action taken or failure to take any action in the discharge of
- 34 the person's duties except liability for any of the following:
- 35 1. a. The amount of any financial benefit to which the

- 1 person is not entitled.
- 2 2. b. An intentional infliction of harm on the
- 3 corporation or the members.
- 4 3. c. A violation of section 504.835.
- 5 4. d. An intentional violation of criminal law.
- 6 2. A provision set forth in the articles of incorporation
- 7 eliminating or limiting the liability of a director to the
- 8 corporation or its members for money damages for any action
- 9 taken, or any failure to take any action, pursuant to section
- 10 504.202, subsection 2, paragraph "d", shall not affect the
- 11 applicability of this section.
- 12 Sec. 23. Section 504.1001, Code 2005, is amended to read
- 13 as follows:
- 14 504.1001 AUTHORITY TO AMEND.
- 15 A corporation may amend its articles of incorporation at
- 16 any time to add or change a provision that is required or
- 17 permitted in the articles as of the effective date of the
- 18 <u>amendment</u> or to delete a provision <u>that is</u> not required <u>to be</u>
- 19 contained in the articles of incorporation. Whether-a
- 20 provision-is-required-or-permitted-in-the-articles-is
- 21 determined-as-of-the-effective-date-of-the-amendment-
- 22 Sec. 24. Section 504.1002, subsection 1, Code 2005, is
- 23 amended to read as follows:
- Unless the articles of incorporation provide otherwise,
- 25 a corporation's board of directors may adopt one-or-more
- 26 amendments to the corporation's articles of incorporation
- 27 without member approval to-do for any of the following
- 28 purposes:
- 29 a. Extend To extend the duration of the corporation if it
- 30 was incorporated at a time when limited duration was required
- 31 by law.
- 32 b. Delete To delete the names and addresses of the initial
- 33 directors.
- 34 c. Belete To delete the name and address of the initial
- 35 registered agent or registered office, if a statement of

- 1 change is on file with the secretary of state.
- 2 d. Change To change the corporate name by substituting the
- 3 word "corporation", "incorporated", "company", "limited", or
- 4 the abbreviation "corp.", "inc.", "co.", or "ltd.", for a
- 5 similar word or abbreviation in the name, or by adding,
- 6 deleting, or changing a geographical attribution to the name.
- 7 e. Make To make any other change expressly permitted by
- 8 this subchapter to be made by director action.
- 9 Sec. 25. Section 504.1005, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
- 10 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 11 A After an amendment to the articles of incorporation has
- 12 been adopted and approved in the manner required by this
- 13 chapter and by the articles of incorporation or bylaws, the
- 14 corporation amending its articles shall deliver to the
- 15 secretary of state, for filing, articles of amendment setting
- 16 forth:
- 17 Sec. 26. Section 504.1005, subsections 4 and 5, Code 2005,
- 18 are amended to read as follows:
- 19 4. If approval by members was not required, a-statement-to
- 20 that-effect-and a statement that the amendment was duly
- 21 approved by a-sufficient-vote-of the incorporators or by the
- 22 board of directors or-incorporators, as the case may be, and
- 23 that member approval was not required.
- 24 5. If approval by members was required, both-of-the
- 25 following:
- 26 a:--The-designation; -number-of-memberships-outstanding;
- 27 number-of-votes-entitled-to-be-cast-by-each-class-entitled-to
- 28 vote-separately-on-the-amendment;-and-number-of-votes-of-each
- 29 class-indisputably-voting-on-the-amendment.
- 30 b:--Either-the-total-number-of-votes-cast-for-and-against
- 31 the-amendment-by-each-class-entitled-to-vote-separately-on-the
- 32 amendment-or-the-total-number-of-undisputed-votes-cast-for-the
- 33 amendment-by-each-class-and a statement that the number-of
- 34 votes-cast-for-the amendment by-each-class was sufficient-for
- 35 approval-by-that-class duly approved by the members in the

- 1 manner required by this chapter, the articles of
- 2 incorporation, and bylaws.
- 3 Sec. 27. Section 504.1006, Code 2005, is amended to read
- 4 as follows:
- 5 504.1006 RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.
- 6 l. A corporation's board of directors may restate the
- 7 corporation's articles of incorporation at any time with or
- 8 without approval by members or any other person, to
- 9 consolidate all amendments into a single document.
- 10 2. The-restatement-may If the restated articles include
- 11 one or more new amendments to-the-articles:-- If-the
- 12 restatement-includes-an-amendment-requiring that require
- 13 approval by the members or any other person, it the amendments
- 14 must be adopted as provided in section 504.1003.
- 15 3.-- If-the-restatement-includes-an-amendment-requiring
- 16 approval-by-members,-the-board-must-submit-the-restatement-to
- 17 the-members-for-their-approval:
- 18 4.--If-the-board-seeks-to-have-the-restatement-approved-by
- 19 the-members-at-a-membership-meeting,-the-corporation-shall
- 20 notify-each-of-its-members-of-the-proposed-membership-meeting
- 21 in-writing-in-accordance-with-section-504-705---The-notice
- 22 must-also-state-that-the-purpose,-or-one-of-the-purposes,-of
- 23 the-meeting-is-to-consider-the-proposed-restatement-and-must
- 24 contain-or-be-accompanied-by-a-copy-or-summary-of-the
- 25 restatement-that-identifies-any-amendments-or-other-changes
- 26 the-restatement-would-make-in-the-articles.
- 28 the-members-by-written-ballot-or-written-consent,-the-material
- 29 soliciting-the-approval-shall-contain-or-be-accompanied-by-a
- 30 copy-or-summary-of-the-restatement-that-identifies-any
- 31 amendments-or-other-changes-the-restatement-would-make-in-the
- 32 articles-
- 33 6---A-restatement-requiring-approval-by-the-members-must-be
- 34 approved-by-the-same-vote-as-an-amendment-to-articles-under
- 35 section-504-1003-

- 1 7. 3. If the restatement includes an amendment requiring
- 2 approval pursuant to section 504.1031, the board must submit
- 3 the restatement for such approval.
- 4 8- 4. A corporation restating that restates its articles
- 5 of incorporation shall deliver to the secretary of state for
- 6 filing articles of restatement setting forth the name of the
- 7 corporation and the text of the restated articles of
- 8 incorporation together with a certificate setting-forth-all-of
- 9 the-following:
- 10 a.--Whether-the-restatement-contains-an-amendment-to-the
- 11 articles-requiring-approval-by-the-members-or-any-other-person
- 12 other-than-the-board-of-directors-and,-if-it-does-not,-that
- 13 the-board-of-directors-adopted-the-restatement.
- 14 b:-- If-the-restatement-contains-an-amendment-to-the
- 15 articles-requiring-approval-by-the-members,-the-information
- 16 required-by-section-504-1005-
- 17 c.--If-the-restatement-contains-an-amendment-to-the
- 18 articles-requiring-approval-by-a-person-whose-approval-is
- 19 required-pursuant-to-section-504-1031,-a-statement-that-such
- 20 approval-was-obtained stating that the restated articles
- 21 consolidate all amendments into a single document. If a new
- 22 amendment is included in the restated articles, the
- 23 corporation shall include the statement required in section
- 24 504.1005.
- 25 9. 5. Duly adopted restated articles of incorporation
- 26 supersede the original articles of incorporation and all
- 27 amendments to the original articles of incorporation.
- 28 $\pm \theta = 6$. The secretary of state may certify restated
- 29 articles of incorporation as the articles of incorporation
- 30 currently in effect without including the certificate
- 31 information required by subsection 8 $\underline{4}$.
- 32 Sec. 28. Section 504.1007, subsection 1, Code 2005, is
- 33 amended to read as follows:
- 34 l. A corporation's articles may be amended without board
- 35 approval or approval by the members or approval required

- 1 pursuant to section 504.1031 to carry out a plan of
- 2 reorganization ordered or decreed by a court of competent
- 3 jurisdiction under federal-statute-if-the-articles-after
- 4 amendment-contain-only-provisions-required-or-permitted-by
- 5 section-504-202 the authority of law of the United States.
- 6 Sec. 29. Section 504.1008, Code Supplement 2005, is
- 7 amended to read as follows:
- 8 504.1008 EFFECT OF AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT.
- 9 An amendment to the articles of incorporation does not
- 10 affect a cause of action existing against or in favor of the
- 11 corporation, a proceeding to which the corporation is a party,
- 12 any requirement or limitation imposed upon the corporation, or
- 13 any property held by it by virtue of any trust upon which such
- 14 property is held by the corporation, or the existing rights of
- 15 persons other than members of the corporation. An amendment
- 16 changing a corporation's name does not abate a proceeding
- 17 brought by or against the corporation in its former name.
- 18 Sec. 30. Section 504.1506, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 19 Supplement 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 20 b. A corporate name reserved, or registered under, or
- 21 protected as provided in section 490.402 or 490.403 or section
- 22 504.402 or 504.403.
- 23 Sec. 31. NEW SECTION. 504.1607 EXCEPTION TO NOTICE
- 24 REQUIREMENT.
- 25 l. Whenever notice is required to be given under any
- 26 provision of this chapter to any member, such notice shall not
- 27 be required to be given if notice of two consecutive annual
- 28 meetings, and all notices of meetings during the period
- 29 between such two consecutive annual meetings, have been sent
- 30 to the member at the member's address as shown on the records
- 31 of the corporation and have been returned as undeliverable.
- 32 2. If the member delivers to the corporation a written
- 33 notice setting forth the member's then-current address, the
- 34 requirement that notice be given to the member shall be
- 35 reinstated.

1 EXPLANATION

- 2 This bill is divided into a number of divisions
- 3 corresponding to Code chapters governing different forms of
- 4 business entities, including division I which amends
- 5 provisions in Code chapter 490 governing business
- 6 corporations, division II which amends provisions in Code
- 7 chapter 490A governing limited liability companies, and
- 8 division III amending provisions in Code chapter 504 governing
- 9 nonprofit corporations.
- 10 DIVISION I -- BUSINESS CORPORATIONS. Code section 490.401
- 11 restricts how a business corporation may name itself. The
- 12 division provides that the name must be distinguished from
- 13 names of other business entities in existence or which may be
- 14 reinstated following administrative dissolution, including a
- 15 limited liability partnership (Code chapter 486A), a limited
- 16 partnership (Code chapter 488), another business corporation,
- 17 a limited liability company (Code chapter 490A), or a
- 18 nonprofit corporation (Code chapter 504).
- 19 Code section 490.401 is amended to allow a business
- 20 corporation to file a certified copy of a resolution with the
- 21 secretary of state to use a fictitious name.
- 22 Code section 490.704 is amended to allow a business
- 23 corporation to take action without a meeting with the consent
- 24 of shareholders having the minimum number of votes required to
- 25 authorize the action at a meeting.
- 26 Code section 490.1422 provides procedures for reinstatement
- 27 by the secretary of state. The division provides that a
- 28 corporation does not relinquish the right to retain its
- 29 corporate name if the reinstatement is effective within five
- 30 years of the effective date of the corporation's dissolution.
- 31 DIVISION II -- LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES. Code section
- 32 490A.131 requires a limited liability company to deliver a
- 33 biennial report to the secretary of state. The division
- 34 provides that the report must include the name and address of
- 35 the limited liability company's registered office and agent.

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- 1 Code section 490A.201 is amended to provide that a limited
- 2 liability company may have as its purpose any lawful activity,
- 3 not just a lawful business activity.
- 4 Code section 490A.305 is amended to further describe the
- 5 requirements for maintenance of separate and distinct records
- 6 associated with a series of members, managers, or membership
- 7 interests of a limited liability company.
- 8 In addition, the division amends Code sections 490A.305,
- 9 490A.1401, 409A.1405, 490A.1406, and 490A.1410 by making
- 10 terminology changes in Code chapter 490A relating to the
- 11 issuance of certificates of authority to foreign limited
- 12 liability companies.
- 13 DIVISION III -- NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS. Code section
- 14 504.401 restricts how a nonprofit corporation may name itself.
- 15 The division amends Code section 504.403 to provide that the
- 16 registered name must be distinguished from names of other
- 17 business entities in existence or which may be reinstated
- 18 following dissolution, in the same manner as the business
- 19 entities described in division I.
- 20 Code section 504.702 is amended to provide that any
- 21 nonprofit corporation, not just a religious corporation, can
- 22 alter the statutory demand requirements for holding a special
- 23 meeting of the corporation in its corporate articles or
- 24 bylaws.
- 25 Code section 504.808 is amended to provide that any
- 26 nonprofit corporation, not just a religious corporation, can
- 27 alter the statutory requirements for removal of elected
- 28 corporate directors in its corporate articles or bylaws.
- 29 Code section 504.901 provides personal liability for
- 30 directors. The division amends the section by providing that
- 31 a provision in a nonprofit corporation's articles of
- 32 incorporation limiting personal liability of a director does
- 33 not affect provisions in the Code section which shield a
- 34 director or member from assuming debts of the nonprofit
- 35 corporation.

Code section 504.1001 is amended to make the language 1 2 consistent with Code section 490.1001, relating to business 3 corporations, by providing that a nonprofit corporation has 4 the authority to amend its articles of incorporation by adding 5 or changing a provision that is required or permitted in the 6 articles of incorporation as of the effective date of the 7 amendment, or to delete a provision not required in the 8 articles of incorporation. Code section 504.1002 is amended to make the language 10 consistent with Code section 490.1005 relating to business 11 corporations, providing for amendments of articles of 12 incorporation by corporate directors. Code section 504.1005 is amended to make the language 13 14 consistent with Code section 490.1006 relating to business 15 corporations, and provides that articles of amendment of a 16 nonprofit corporation be adopted and approved as required by 17 law and by the corporate articles or bylaws before being 18 delivered to the secretary of state for filing. 19 Code section 504.1005 is amended to make the language 20 consistent with Code section 490.1006 relating to business 21 corporations, and provides that the articles of amendment of a 22 nonprofit corporation must include a statement that member 23 approval was not required and the amendment was approved by 24 the incorporators or directors, or a statement that member 25 approval was required and was approved as required by law and 26 by the corporate articles or bylaws. Code section 504.1006 is also amended to make the language 27 28 consistent with Code section 490.1007 relating to business 29 corporations, and provides that a nonprofit corporation's 30 board of directors may consolidate all amendments into a 31 single restated article of incorporation, any new amendments 32 included in the restated articles that require approval must 33 meet the requirements for amendments contained in Code section 34 504.1003, and restated articles of incorporation must be 35 delivered to the secretary of state for filing accompanied by

- 1 a certificate stating that the restated articles consolidate
- 2 all amendments into one document and, if new amendments are
- 3 included, the statement required under Code section 504.1005.
- 4 Code section 504.1007 is amended to make the language
- 5 consistent with Code section 490.1008 relating to business
- 6 corporations, and provides that a nonprofit corporation's
- 7 articles may be amended without board or member approval or
- 8 approval by a third person under Code section 504.1031 to
- 9 carry out a plan of reorganization ordered by a court of
- 10 competent jurisdiction under the authority of United States
- ll law.
- 12 Code section 504.1008 is amended to make the language
- 13 consistent with Code section 490.1009, relating to business
- 14 corporations, and is a technical correction.
- New Code section 504.1607 provides that notice to a member
- 16 of a nonprofit corporation is no longer required if notice of
- 17 two consecutive annual meetings and all notices of meetings
- 18 between the two consecutive annual meetings have been sent to
- 19 the member at the address of record and returned as
- 20 undeliverable. The notice requirement can be reinstated if
- 21 the member delivers written notice of the member's current
- 22 address to the corporation.

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SENATE FILE 2374

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- 1 Amend Senate File 2374, as amended, passed, and
- 2 reprinted by the Senate, as follows:
- 3 1. By striking page 1, line 33, through page 2,
- 4 line 12.
- 5 2. By renumbering as necessary.

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Amend Senate File 2374, as amended, passed, and
 2 reprinted by the Senate, as follows:
          Page 1, by inserting before line 1 the
 4 following:
                        "DIVISION
 6
                    LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS
                  Section 488.108, subsection 4,
      Section 1.
 8 paragraph b, Code Supplement 2005, is amended by
 9 striking the paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof
10 the following:
11
      b.
          A name reserved, registered, or protected as
12 follows:
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      (1) For a limited liability partnership, section
14 486A.1001 or 486A.1002.
      (2) For a limited partnership, this section,
16 section 488.109, or section 488.810.
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      (3) For a business corporation, section 490.401,
18 490.402, 490.403, or 490.1422.
      (4) For a limited liability company, section
20 490A.401, 490A.402, or 490A.1313.
      (5) For a nonprofit corporation, section 504.401,
22 504.402, 504.403, or 504.1423.
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      Sec. 2. Section 488.810, subsection 1, unnumbered
24 paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
25
      A limited partnership that has been
26 administratively dissolved may apply to the secretary
27 of state for reinstatement within two years at any
28 time after the effective date of dissolution.
29 application must be delivered to the secretary of
30 state for filing and state all of the following:
      Sec. 3. Section 488.810, subsection 1, paragraph
32 c, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
      c. That If the application is received more than
34 five years after the effective date of the
35 dissolution, that the limited partnership's name
36 satisfies the requirements of section 488.108.
37
      Sec. 4. Section 488.810, subsection 2, Code 2005,
38 is amended to read as follows:
          If the secretary of state determines that an
40 application contains the information required by
41 subsection 2 and that the information is correct, the
42 secretary of state shall prepare a declaration of
43 reinstatement that states this determination, sign,
44 and file the original of the declaration of
45 reinstatement, and serve deliver a copy to the limited
46 partnership with a copy.
47
      Sec. 5. Section 488.810, Code 2005, is amended by
48 adding the following new subsection:
      NEW SUBSECTION. 4. A limited partnership shall
50 not relinquish the right to retain its name if the
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1 reinstatement is effective within five years of the 2 effective date of the limited partnership's 3 dissolution."
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- 4 2. Page 1, lines 13 and 14, by striking the word 5 and figure "or 490A.402" and inserting the following: 6 ", 490A.402, or 490A.1313".
 - 3. Page 1, by striking lines 17 through 25.
- 8 4. Page 1, by inserting before line 26 the 9 following:
- "Sec. ___. Section 490.502, subsection 3, Code 11 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 3. If a registered agent changes the registered lagent's business address to another place, the registered agent may change the business address and the address of the registered agent by filing a statement as required in subsection 2 for each corporation, or a single statement for all corporations named in the notice, except that it need
- 19 be signed only by the registered agent or agents and 20 need not be responsive to subsection 1, paragraph "c",
- 21 and must recite that a copy of the statement has been
- 22 mailed to each corporation named in the notice."
- 23 5. Page 2, by inserting after line 12 the 24 following:
- "Sec. ____. Section 490.1422, subsection 1, 26 unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read 27 as follows:
- A corporation administratively dissolved under section 490.1421 may apply to the secretary of state for reinstatement within two years at any time after the effective date of dissolution. The application must meet all of the following requirements:"
- 33 6. Page 2, by inserting after line 18 the 34 following:
- "Sec. ___. Section 490.1422, subsection 2, 36 paragraph b, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 37 b. (1) If the secretary of state determines that 38 the application contains the information required by
- 39 subsection 1, and that a delinquency or liability
- 40 reported pursuant to paragraph "a" of this subsection
- 41 has been satisfied, and that the information is

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- 42 correct, the secretary of state shall cancel the
- 43 certificate of dissolution and prepare a certificate
- 44 of reinstatement that recites the secretary of state's 45 determination and the effective date of reinstatement,
- 46 file the original of the certificate of reinstatement,
- 47 and serve deliver a copy on to the corporation under 48 section 490.504.
- 49 <u>(2)</u> If the corporate name in subsection 1, 50 paragraph "c", is different than the corporate name in

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 1 subsection 1, paragraph "a", the certificate of
 2 reinstatement shall constitute an amendment to the
 3 articles of incorporation insofar as it pertains to
 4 the corporate name. A corporation shall not
 5 relinquish the right to retain its corporate name if
 6 the reinstatement is effective within five years of
 7 the effective date of the corporation's dissolution.
    Sec. . Section 490.1422, subsection 4, Code
 9 2005, is amended by striking the subsection."
      7. Page 2, by inserting after line 22 the
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11 following:
               . Section 490.1701, subsection 3,
      "Sec.
13 paragraph a, Code Supplement 2005, is amended to read
14 as follows:
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      a. The corporation shall amend or restate its
16 articles of incorporation to indicate that the
17 corporation adopts this chapter and to designate the
18 address of its initial registered office and the name
19 of its registered agent or agents at that office and,
20 if the name of the corporation is not in compliance
21 with the requirements of this chapter, to change the
22 name of the corporation to one complying with the
23 requirements of this chapter."
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      8. Page 2, by inserting after line 31 the
25 following:
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      "Sec.
                  Section 490A.121, subsections 2 and 3,
27 Code 2005, are amended to read as follows:
      2. The secretary of state files a document by
29 stamping or otherwise endorsing recording it as
30 "filed", together with the secretary of state's name-
31 and official title and acknowledging the date and time
32 of its receipt, on both the document and the receipt-
33 for the filing fee, and recording the document in the
34 records of the secretary of state. After filing a
35 document, and except as provided in section 490A.503,
36 the secretary of state shall deliver a copy of the
37 filed document, with the filing fee receipt, or an
38 acknowledgment of receipt if no fee is required,
39 attached, the date and time of filing to the domestic
40 or foreign limited liability company or its
41 representative.
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      3. If the secretary of state refuses to file a
43 document, the secretary of state shall return it to
44 the domestic or foreign limited liability company or
45 its representative within ten days after the document-
46 was received by the secretary of state, together with
47 a brief, written explanation of the reason for the
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48 refusal.
49 Sec. ___. Section 490A.124, subsection 1,
50 paragraphs e and f, Code 2005, are amended to read as
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	follows:	
	e. Application for registered name per month or	
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	paragraph b, Code Supplement 2005, is amended to read	
	as follows:	
	b. The street and mailing address of its	
	designated registered office and the name and street	
	and mailing address of its registered agent for	
	service of process in this state."	
	9. Page 3, by inserting after line 5 the following:	
	"Sec Section 490A.131, subsection 5, Code	
	Supplement 2005, is amended by striking the	
	subsection."	
	10. Page 4, by inserting after line 10 the	
	following:	
	"Sec Section 490A.401, subsection 3,	
	paragraph b, Code 2005, is amended by striking the	
	paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the following:	
	b. A name reserved, registered, or protected as	
	follows:	
27	(1) For a limited liability partnership, section	•
	486A.1001 or 486A.1002.	
29	(2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108,	
30	488.109, or 488.810.	
	(3) For a business corporation, section 490.401,	
	490.402, 490.403, or 490.1422.	
	(4) For a limited liability company, this section	
	or section 490A.402 or 490A.1313.	
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	504.402, 504.403, or 504.1423.	
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	2005, is amended to read as follows:	
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	fictitious names; however, if a limited liability	
	company uses a fictitious name in this state it shall	
	deliver to the secretary of state for filing a certified copy of the resolution of the limited	
	liability company filed and executed according to	
	section 490A.120 adopting the fictitious name.	
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	by adding the following new subsection:	
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	of the limited liability company under section	
	490A.1312.	
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1 Sec. NEW SECTION. 490A.1308 REVOCATION OF 2 DISSOLUTION.

- 3 1. A limited liability company may revoke its 4 dissolution within one hundred twenty days of the 5 effective date of its articles of dissolution.
- 2. Revocation of dissolution must be authorized in the same manner as the dissolution was authorized unless that authorization permitted revocation by action of the managers of the limited liability company alone, in which event the managers may revoke the dissolution without member action.
- 3. After the revocation of dissolution is
 13 authorized, the limited liability company may revoke
 14 the dissolution by delivering to the secretary of
 15 state for filing articles of revocation of
 16 dissolution, together with a copy of its articles of
 17 dissolution, that set forth all of the following:
 - a. The name of the limited liability company.
- 19 b. The effective date of the dissolution that was 20 revoked.
- 21 c. The date that the revocation of dissolution was 22 authorized.
- 23 d. If members of the limited liability company 24 unanimously revoked the dissolution, a statement to 25 that effect.
- e. If the managers of the limited liability company revoked a dissolution authorized by its members, a statement that revocation was permitted by action by the managers alone pursuant to that authorization.
- 31 4. Revocation of dissolution is effective upon the 32 effective date of the articles of revocation of 33 dissolution.
- 34 5. When the revocation of dissolution is 35 effective, it relates back to and takes effect as of 36 the effective date of the dissolution as if the 37 dissolution had never occurred.

PART B

39 ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION

40 Sec. NEW SECTION. 490A.1311 GROUNDS FOR 41 ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION.

The secretary of state may commence a proceeding under section 490A.1312 to administratively dissolve a limited liability company if any of the following 45 apply:

1. The limited liability company has not delivered 47 a biennial report to the secretary of state in a form 48 that meets the requirements of section 490A.131, 49 within sixty days after it is due, or has not paid the 50 filing fee as determined by the secretary of state, -5-

1 within sixty days after it is due.

- 2 2. The limited liability company is without a 3 registered office or registered agent in this state as 4 required in subchapter V for sixty days or more.
- 5 3. The limited liability company does not notify 6 the secretary of state within sixty days that its 7 registered office or registered agent as required in 8 subchapter V has been changed, its registered office 9 has been discontinued, or that its registered agent 10 has resigned.
- 11 4. The limited liability company's period of 12 duration stated in its articles of organization 13 expires.
- 14 Sec. NEW SECTION. 490A.1312 PROCEDURE FOR 15 AND EFFECT OF ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION.
- 1. If the secretary of state determines that one 17 or more grounds exist under section 490A.1311 for 18 dissolving a limited liability company, the secretary 19 of state shall serve the limited liability company 20 with written notice of the secretary of state's 21 determination under section 490A.504.
- 22 2. If the limited liability company does not correct each ground for dissolution or demonstrate to the reasonable satisfaction of the secretary of state that each ground determined by the secretary of state does not exist within sixty days after service of the notice is perfected under section 490A.504, the secretary of state shall administratively dissolve the limited liability company by signing a certificate of dissolution that recites the ground or grounds for dissolution and its effective date. The secretary of state shall file the original of the certificate and serve a copy on the limited liability company under section 490A.504.
- 35 3. A limited liability company administratively 36 dissolved continues its existence but shall not carry 37 on any business except that necessary to wind up and 38 liquidate its business and affairs under part A of 39 this subchapter and notify claimants under sections 40 490A.1306 and 490A.1307.
- 41 4. The administrative dissolution of a limited 42 liability company does not terminate the authority of 43 its registered agent as provided in subchapter V.
- 5. The secretary of state's administrative dissolution of a limited liability company pursuant to this section appoints the secretary of state the limited liability company's agent for service of process in any proceeding based on a cause of action which arose during the time the limited liability company was authorized to transact business in this H-8400

1 state. Service of process on the secretary of state 2 under this subsection is service on the limited 3 liability company. Upon receipt of process, the 4 secretary of state shall serve a copy of the process 5 on the limited liability company as provided in 6 section 490A.504. This subsection does not preclude 7 service on the limited liability company's registered 8 agent, if any.

9 Sec. NEW SECTION. 490A.1313 REINSTATEMENT 10 FOLLOWING ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION.

- 11 1. A limited liability company administratively 12 dissolved under section 490A.1312 may apply to the 13 secretary of state for reinstatement at any time after 14 the effective date of dissolution. The application 15 must meet all of the following requirements:
- 16 a. Recite the name of the limited liability 17 company at its date of dissolution and the effective 18 date of its administrative dissolution.
- 19 b. State that the ground or grounds for 20 dissolution as provided in section 490A.1311 have been 21 eliminated.
- 22 c. If the application is received more than five 23 years after the effective date of the administrative 24 dissolution, state a name that satisfies the 25 requirements of section 490A.401.
- 26 d. State the federal tax identification number of 27 the limited liability company.
- 28 2. a. The secretary of state shall refer the 29 federal tax identification number contained in the 30 application for reinstatement to the department of 11 revenue. The department of 12 revenue shall report to 13 the secretary of state the tax status of the limited 13 liability company. If the department reports to the 13 secretary of state that a filing delinquency or 14 liability exists against the limited liability 13 company, the secretary of state shall not cancel the 13 certificate of dissolution until the filing 13 delinquency or liability is satisfied.
- b. If the secretary of state determines that the application contains the information required by subsection 1, and that a delinquency or liability reported pursuant to paragraph "a" of this subsection has been satisfied, and that the information is correct, the secretary of state shall cancel the certificate of dissolution and prepare a certificate of reinstatement that recites the secretary of state's determination and the effective date of reinstatement, file the original of the certificate, and serve a copy on the limited liability company under section 50 490A.504. If the limited liability company's name in H-8400

- 1 subsection 1, paragraph "c", is different than the
- 2 name in subsection 1, paragraph "a", the certificate
- 3 of reinstatement shall constitute an amendment to the
- 4 limited liability company's articles of organization
- 5 insofar as it pertains to its name. A limited
- 6 liability company shall not relinquish the right to
- 7 retain its name as provided in section 490A.401, if
- 8 the reinstatement is effective within five years of
- 9 the effective date of the limited liability company's 10 dissolution.
- 11 3. When the reinstatement is effective, it relates 12 back to and takes effect as of the effective date of
- 13 the administrative dissolution as if the
- 14 administrative dissolution had never occurred.
- 15 Sec. . NEW SECTION. 490A.1314 APPEAL FROM
- 16 DENIAL OF REINSTATEMENT.
- 17 1. If the secretary of state denies a limited
- 18 liability company's application for reinstatement
- 19 following administrative dissolution pursuant to
- 20 section 490A.1312, the secretary of state shall serve
- 21 the limited liability company under section 490A.504
- 22 with a written notice that explains the reason or
- 23 reasons for denial.
- 24 2. The limited liability company may appeal the
- 25 denial of reinstatement to the district court within
- 26 thirty days after service of the notice of denial is
- 27 perfected. The limited liability company appeals by
- 28 petitioning the court to set aside the dissolution and
- 29 attaching to the petition copies of the secretary of
- 30 state's certificate of dissolution, the limited
- 31 liability company's application for reinstatement, and
- 32 the secretary of state's notice of denial.
- 33 3. The court may summarily order the secretary of
- 34 state to reinstate the dissolved limited liability
- 35 company or may take other action the court considers
- 36 appropriate.
- 37 4. The court's final decision may be appealed as
- 38 in other civil proceedings."
- 39 11. Page 4, by inserting after line 27 the
- 40 following:
- 41 "Sec. . Section 490A.1402, Code 2005, is
- 42 amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu
- 43 thereof the following:
- 44 490A.1402 APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF
- 45 AUTHORITY.
- 1. A foreign limited liability company may apply
- 47 for a certificate of authority to transact business in
- 48 this state by delivering an application to the
- 49 secretary of state for filing. The application must
- 50 set forth all of the following:

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          The name of the foreign limited liability
      a.
 2 company or, if its name is unavailable for use in this
 3 state, a name that satisfies the requirements of
 4 section 490A.401.
          The name of the state or country under whose
 6 law it is organized.
      c. Its date of formation and period of duration.
         The street address of its principal office.
      e.
          The address of its registered office in this
10 state and the name of its registered agent at that
11 address as provided in subchapter V.
         The foreign limited liability company shall
13 deliver the completed application to the secretary of
14 state, and also deliver to the secretary of state a
15 certificate of existence or a document of similar
16 import duly authenticated by the secretary of state or
17 proper officer of the state or other jurisdiction of
18 its formation which is dated no earlier than ninety
19 days prior to the date the application is filed with
20 the secretary of state."
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      12. Page 5, by inserting after line 22 the
22 following:
      "Sec. .
                  Section 490A.1410, subsection 1,
24 paragraph a, Code 2005, is amended by adding the
25 following new subparagraph:
     NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (5) Deliver for filing to the
27 secretary of state a biennial report as required by
28 section 490A.131."
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         Page 5, by inserting after line 27 the
      13.
30 following:
31
                        "DIVISION
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                  TRADITIONAL COOPERATIVES
33
      Sec. ___. Section 499.78, subsection 1, unnumbered
34 paragrap\overline{\mathbf{h}} 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
     An association administratively dissolved under
36 section 499.77 may apply to the secretary of state for
37 reinstatement within two years at any time after the
38 effective date of dissolution. The application must
39 meet all of the following requirements:
40.
                        DIVISION
41
                     CLOSED COOPERATIVES
      Sec. .
                Section 501.104, Code 2005, is amended
43 to read as follows:
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      501.104 NAME.
     The name of a cooperative organized under this
46 chapter must comply with all of the following:
      1. The name must contain the word "cooperative",
48 "coop", or "co-op", and the.
      2. The name must be distinguishable from the names
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50 all of the following:

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39 the certificate document, and serve deliver a copy on 40 to the cooperative under section 501.106. (2) If the name of the cooperative as provided in 42 subsection 1, paragraph "c", is different than the 43 name in subsection 1, paragraph "a", the certificate 44 of reinstatement shall constitute an amendment to the 45 articles of association insofar as it pertains to the 46 name. A cooperative shall not relinquish the right to 47 retain its name if the reinstatement is effective 48 within five years of the effective date of the

49 cooperative's dissolution."

14. Page 5, by inserting after line 29 the 50 H-8400 -10-

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  1 following:
       "Sec.
                   Section 504.401, subsection 2,
  3 paragraph b, Code Supplement 2005, is amended by
  4 striking the paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof
  5 the following:
          A name reserved, registered, or protected as
       b.
 7 follows:
       (1) For a limited liability partnership, section
 9 486A.1001 or 486A.1002.
       (2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108,
11 488.109, or 488.810.
       (3) For a business corporation, section 490.401,
13 490.402, 490.403, or 490.1422.
       (4) For a limited liability company, section
15 490A.401, 490A.402, or 490A.1313.
       (5) For a nonprofit corporation, this section or
17 section 504.402, 504.403, or 504.1423."
      15. Page 6, lines 5 and 6, by striking the word
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19 and figure "or 490A.402" and inserting the following:
20 ", 490A.402, or 490A.1313".
      16. Page 11, by inserting after line 17 the
22 following:
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      "Sec.
                  Section 504.1423, subsection 1,
24 unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read
25 as follows:
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      A corporation administratively dissolved under
27 section 504.1422 may apply to the secretary of state
28 for reinstatement within two years at any time after
29 the effective date of dissolution. The application
30 must state all of the following:
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      Sec.
                Section 504.1423, subsection 1,
32 paragraph c, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
33
      c. That If the application is received more than
34 five years after the effective date of dissolution,
35 state the corporation's name satisfies the
36 requirements of section 504.401.
37
      Sec.
             . Section 504.1423, subsection 2,
38 paragraph b, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
      b.
          (1) If the secretary of state determines that
40 the application contains the information required by
41 subsection 1, that a delinquency or liability reported
42 pursuant to paragraph "a" has been satisfied, and that
43 all of the application information is correct, the
44 secretary of state shall cancel the certificate of
45 dissolution and prepare a certificate of reinstatement
46 reciting that determination and the effective date of
47 reinstatement, file the original of the certificate
48 document, and serve deliver a copy on to the
49 corporation under section 504.504.
           If the corporate name in subsection 1,
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- 1 paragraph "c", is different from the corporate name in
- 2 subsection 1, paragraph "a", the certificate of
- 3 reinstatement shall constitute an amendment to the
- 4 articles of incorporation insofar as it pertains to
 - 5 the corporate name. A corporation shall not
 - 6 relinquish the right to retain its corporate name if
- 7 the reinstatement is effective within five years of
- 8 the effective date of the corporation's dissolution."
- 9 17. Title page, by striking lines 2 and 3 and
- 10 inserting the following: "entities, including limited
- 11 partnerships, corporations, limited liability
- 12 companies, cooperatives, and nonprofit corporations."
- 13. 18. By renumbering as necessary.

By KAUFMANN of Cedar PAULSEN of Linn

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SENATE FILE 2374

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- 1 Amend the amendment, H-8400, to Senate File 2374,
- 2 as passed, amended, and reprinted by the Senate, as
- 3 follows:
- 4 1. Page 1, line 44, by striking the words
- 5 "original of the" and inserting the following:
- 6 "original of the".
- 7 2. Page 4, lines 12 and 13, by striking the words
- 8 "street and mailing" and inserting the following:
- 9 "street and mailing".

By KAUFMANN of Cedar PAULSEN of Linn

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HOUSE AMENDMENT TO SENATE FILE 2374

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      Amend Senate File 2374, as amended, passed, and
 2 reprinted by the Senate, as follows:
      1. Page 1, by inserting before line 1 the
 4 following:
                        "DIVISION
 6
                    LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS
 7
      Section 1. Section 488.108, subsection 4,
 8 paragraph b, Code Supplement 2005, is amended by
 9 striking the paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof
10 the following:
         A name reserved, registered, or protected as
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      b.
12 follows:
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      (1) For a limited liability partnership, section
14 486A.1001 or 486A.1002.
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      (2) For a limited partnership, this section,
16 section 488.109, or section 488.810.
      (3) For a business corporation, section 490.401,
18 490.402, 490.403, or 490.1422.
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         For a limited liability company, section
20 490A.401, 490A.402, or 490A.1313.
      (5) For a nonprofit corporation, section 504.401,
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22 504.402, 504.403, or 504.1423.
     Sec. 2. Section 488.810, subsection 1, unnumbered
24 paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
     A limited partnership that has been
25
26 administratively dissolved may apply to the secretary
27 of state for reinstatement within two years at any
28 time after the effective date of dissolution.
29 application must be delivered to the secretary of
30 state for filing and state all of the following:
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     Sec. 3. Section 488.810, subsection 1, paragraph
32 c, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
     c. That If the application is received more than
34 five years after the effective date of the
35 dissolution, that the limited partnership's name
36 satisfies the requirements of section 488.108.
     Sec. 4. Section 488.810, subsection 2, Code 2005,
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38 is amended to read as follows:
39
     2. If the secretary of state determines that an
40 application contains the information required by
41 subsection 2 and that the information is correct, the
42 secretary of state shall prepare a declaration of
43 reinstatement that states this determination, sign,
44 and file the original of the declaration of
45 reinstatement, and serve deliver a copy to the limited
46 partnership with a copy.
47
     Sec. 5. Section 488.810, Code 2005, is amended by
48 adding the following new subsection:
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NEW SUBSECTION. 4. A limited partnership shall 50 not relinquish the right to retain its name if the

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S-5143 Page 1 reinstatement is effective within five years of the 2 effective date of the limited partnership's 3 dissolution." 2. Page 1, lines 13 and 14, by striking the word 5 and figure "or 490A.402" and inserting the following: 6 ", 490A.402, or 490A.1313". 7 3. Page 1, by striking lines 17 through 25. 4. Page 1, by inserting before line 26 the 9 following: 10 "Sec. . Section 490.502, subsection 3, Code 11 2005, is amended to read as follows: 3. If a registered agent changes the registered 13 agent's business address to another place, the 14 registered agent may change the business address and 15 the address of the registered agent by filing a 16 statement as required in subsection 2 for each 17 corporation, or a single statement for all 18 corporations named in the notice, except that it need 19 be signed only by the registered agent or agents and 20 need not be responsive to subsection 1, paragraph "c", 21 and must recite that a copy of the statement has been 22 mailed to each corporation named in the notice." 5. By striking page 1, line 33, through page 2, 24 line 12. 6. Page 2, by inserting before line 13 the 26 following: "Sec. . Section 490.1422, subsection 1, 27 28 unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read 29 as follows: A corporation administratively dissolved under 31 section 490.1421 may apply to the secretary of state 32 for reinstatement within two years at any time after 33 the effective date of dissolution. The application 34 must meet all of the following requirements:" 7. Page 2, by inserting after line 18 the 36 following: "Sec. . Section 490.1422, subsection 2, 38 paragraph b, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

39 b. (1) If the secretary of state determines that 40 the application contains the information required by 41 subsection 1, and that a delinquency or liability 42 reported pursuant to paragraph "a" of this subsection 43 has been satisfied, and that the information is 44 correct, the secretary of state shall cancel the

45 certificate of dissolution and prepare a certificate

46 of reinstatement that recites the secretary of state's

47 determination and the effective date of reinstatement,

48 file the original of the certificate <u>of reinstatement</u>,

49 and serve deliver a copy on to the corporation under 50 section 490.504.

- (2) If the corporate name in subsection 1, 2 paragraph "c", is different than the corporate name in 3 subsection 1, paragraph "a", the certificate of 4 reinstatement shall constitute an amendment to the 5 articles of incorporation insofar as it pertains to 6 the corporate name. A corporation shall not 7 relinquish the right to retain its corporate name if 8 the reinstatement is effective within five years of 9 the effective date of the corporation's dissolution. Sec. . Section 490.1422, subsection 4, Code 11 2005, is amended by striking the subsection."
- 12 8. Page 2, by inserting after line 22 the 13 following:
- "Sec. . Section 490.1701, subsection 3, 14 15 paragraph a, Code Supplement 2005, is amended to read 16 as follows:
- The corporation shall amend or restate its 17 a. 18 articles of incorporation to indicate that the 19 corporation adopts this chapter and to designate the 20 address of its initial registered office and the name 21 of its registered agent or agents at that office and, 22 if the name of the corporation is not in compliance 23 with the requirements of this chapter, to change the 24 name of the corporation to one complying with the 25 requirements of this chapter."
- 26 9. Page 2, by inserting after line 31 the 27 following:
- . Section 490A.121, subsections 2 and 3, 28 "Sec. 29 Code 2005, are amended to read as follows:
- 2. The secretary of state files a document by 31 stamping or otherwise endorsing recording it as 32 "filed" - together with the secretary of state's name 33 and official title and acknowledging the date and time 34 of its receipt, on both the document and the receipt 35 for the filing fee, and recording the document in the 36 records of the secretary of state. After filing a 37 document, and except as provided in section 490A.503, 38 the secretary of state shall deliver a copy of the 39 filed document, with the filing fee receipt, or an 40 acknowledgment of receipt if no fee is required, 41 attached, the date and time of filing to the domestic 42 or foreign limited liability company or its 43 representative.
- 44 3. If the secretary of state refuses to file a 45 document, the secretary of state shall return it to 46 the domestic or foreign limited liability company or 47 its representative within ten days after the document 48 was received by the secretary of state, together with 49 a brief, written explanation of the reason for the 50 refusal.

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     Sec. . Section 490A.124, subsection 1,
 2 paragraphs e and f, Code 2005, are amended to read as
 3 follows:
     e. Application for registered name per month or
 5 part thereof ......$
                                                         No fee
     f. Application for renewal of registered name
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No fee
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     Sec. . Section 490A.131, subsection 1,
11 paragraph b, Code Supplement 2005, is amended to read
12 as follows:
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     b. The street and mailing address of its
14 designated registered office and the name and street
15 and mailing address of its registered agent for
16 service of process in this state."
     10. Page 3, by inserting after line 5 the
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18 following:
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     "Sec. . Section 490A.131, subsection 5, Code
20 Supplement 2005, is amended by striking the
21 subsection."
     11. Page 4, by inserting after line 10 the
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23 following:
     "Sec. ___. Section 490A.401, subsection 3,
24
25 paragraph b, Code 2005, is amended by striking the
26 paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
     b. A name reserved, registered, or protected as
28 follows:
29
      (1) For a limited liability partnership, section
30 486A.1001 or 486A.1002.
      (2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108,
32 488.109, or 488.810.
     (3) For a business corporation, section 490.401,
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34 490.402, 490.403, or 490.1422.
     (4) For a limited liability company, this section
36 or section 490A.402 or 490A.1313.
     (5) For a nonprofit corporation, section 504.401,
38 504.402, 504.403, or 504.1423.
     Sec. . Section 490A.401, subsection 6, Code
40 2005, is amended to read as follows:
     6. This chapter does not control the use of
42 fictitious names; however, if a limited liability
43 company uses a fictitious name in this state it shall
44 deliver to the secretary of state for filing a
45 certified copy of the resolution of the limited
46 liability company filed and executed according to
47 section 490A.120 adopting the fictitious name.
     Sec. . Section 490A.1301, Code 2005, is amended
49 by adding the following new subsection:
     NEW SUBSECTION. 4. The administrative dissolution
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- 1 of the limited liability company under section 2 490A.1312.
- 3 Sec. NEW SECTION. 490A.1308 REVOCATION OF 4 DISSOLUTION.
- 5 1. A limited liability company may revoke its 6 dissolution within one hundred twenty days of the 7 effective date of its articles of dissolution.
- 8 2. Revocation of dissolution must be authorized in 9 the same manner as the dissolution was authorized 10 unless that authorization permitted revocation by 11 action of the managers of the limited liability 12 company alone, in which event the managers may revoke 13 the dissolution without member action.
- 3. After the revocation of dissolution is 15 authorized, the limited liability company may revoke 16 the dissolution by delivering to the secretary of 17 state for filing articles of revocation of 18 dissolution, together with a copy of its articles of 19 dissolution, that set forth all of the following:
 - a. The name of the limited liability company.
- 21 b. The effective date of the dissolution that was 22 revoked.
- 23 c. The date that the revocation of dissolution was 24 authorized.
- 25 d. If members of the limited liability company 26 unanimously revoked the dissolution, a statement to 27 that effect.
- e. If the managers of the limited liability company revoked a dissolution authorized by its members, a statement that revocation was permitted by action by the managers alone pursuant to that authorization.
- 33 4. Revocation of dissolution is effective upon the 34 effective date of the articles of revocation of 35 dissolution.
- 36 5. When the revocation of dissolution is 37 effective, it relates back to and takes effect as of 38 the effective date of the dissolution as if the 39 dissolution had never occurred.

PART B

ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION

42 Sec. NEW SECTION. 490A.1311 GROUNDS FOR 43 ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION.

The secretary of state may commence a proceeding under section 490A.1312 to administratively dissolve a limited liability company if any of the following apply:

1. The limited liability company has not delivered 49 a biennial report to the secretary of state in a form 50 that meets the requirements of section 490A.131, 5-5143

- 1 within sixty days after it is due, or has not paid the 2 filing fee as determined by the secretary of state, 3 within sixty days after it is due.
- 4 2. The limited liability company is without a 5 registered office or registered agent in this state as 6 required in subchapter V for sixty days or more.
- 7 3. The limited liability company does not notify 8 the secretary of state within sixty days that its 9 registered office or registered agent as required in 10 subchapter V has been changed, its registered office 11 has been discontinued, or that its registered agent 12 has resigned.
- 13 4. The limited liability company's period of 14 duration stated in its articles of organization 15 expires.
- 16 Sec. . <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 490A.1312 PROCEDURE FOR 17 AND EFFECT OF ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION.
- 1. If the secretary of state determines that one 19 or more grounds exist under section 490A.1311 for 20 dissolving a limited liability company, the secretary 21 of state shall serve the limited liability company 22 with written notice of the secretary of state's 23 determination under section 490A.504.
- 24 2. If the limited liability company does not 25 correct each ground for dissolution or demonstrate to 26 the reasonable satisfaction of the secretary of state 27 that each ground determined by the secretary of state 28 does not exist within sixty days after service of the 29 notice is perfected under section 490A.504, the 30 secretary of state shall administratively dissolve the 31 limited liability company by signing a certificate of 32 dissolution that recites the ground or grounds for 33 dissolution and its effective date. The secretary of 34 state shall file the original of the certificate and 35 serve a copy on the limited liability company under 36 section 490A.504.
- 37 3. A limited liability company administratively 38 dissolved continues its existence but shall not carry 39 on any business except that necessary to wind up and 40 liquidate its business and affairs under part A of 41 this subchapter and notify claimants under sections 42 490A.1306 and 490A.1307.
- 43 4. The administrative dissolution of a limited 44 liability company does not terminate the authority of 45 its registered agent as provided in subchapter V.
- 46 5. The secretary of state's administrative 47 dissolution of a limited liability company pursuant to 48 this section appoints the secretary of state the 49 limited liability company's agent for service of 50 process in any proceeding based on a cause of action $\mathbf{s-5143}$

1 which arose during the time the limited liability 2 company was authorized to transact business in this 3 state. Service of process on the secretary of state 4 under this subsection is service on the limited 5 liability company. Upon receipt of process, the 6 secretary of state shall serve a copy of the process 7 on the limited liability company as provided in 8 section 490A.504. This subsection does not preclude 9 service on the limited liability company's registered 10 agent, if any.

11 Sec. NEW SECTION. 490A.1313 REINSTATEMENT 12 FOLLOWING ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION.

- 13 1. A limited liability company administratively
 14 dissolved under section 490A.1312 may apply to the
 15 secretary of state for reinstatement at any time after
 16 the effective date of dissolution. The application
 17 must meet all of the following requirements:
- 18 a. Recite the name of the limited liability 19 company at its date of dissolution and the effective 20 date of its administrative dissolution.
- 21 b. State that the ground or grounds for 22 dissolution as provided in section 490A.1311 have been 23 eliminated.
- 24 c. If the application is received more than five 25 years after the effective date of the administrative 26 dissolution, state a name that satisfies the 27 requirements of section 490A.401.
- 28 d. State the federal tax identification number of 29 the limited liability company.
- 2. a. The secretary of state shall refer the federal tax identification number contained in the application for reinstatement to the department of revenue. The department of revenue shall report to the secretary of state the tax status of the limited liability company. If the department reports to the secretary of state that a filing delinquency or liability exists against the limited liability company, the secretary of state shall not cancel the certificate of dissolution until the filing delinquency or liability is satisfied.
- b. If the secretary of state determines that the application contains the information required by subsection 1, and that a delinquency or liability reported pursuant to paragraph "a" of this subsection has been satisfied, and that the information is correct, the secretary of state shall cancel the certificate of dissolution and prepare a certificate of reinstatement that recites the secretary of state's determination and the effective date of reinstatement, file the original of the certificate, and serve a copy s-5143

- 1 on the limited liability company under section
- 2 490A.504. If the limited liability company's name in .
- 3 subsection 1, paragraph "c", is different than the
- 4 name in subsection 1, paragraph "a", the certificate
- 5 of reinstatement shall constitute an amendment to the
- 6 limited liability company's articles of organization
- 7 insofar as it pertains to its name. A limited
- 8 liability company shall not relinquish the right to
- 9 retain its name as provided in section 490A.401, if
- 10 the reinstatement is effective within five years of
- 11 the effective date of the limited liability company's 12 dissolution.
- 13 3. When the reinstatement is effective, it relates 14 back to and takes effect as of the effective date of 15 the administrative dissolution as if the
- 16 administrative dissolution had never occurred.
- 17 Sec. NEW SECTION. 490A.1314 APPEAL FROM 18 DENIAL OF REINSTATEMENT.
- 19 1. If the secretary of state denies a limited
- 20 liability company's application for reinstatement
- 21 following administrative dissolution pursuant to
- 22 section 490A.1312, the secretary of state shall serve
- 23 the limited liability company under section 490A.504
- 24 with a written notice that explains the reason or
- 25 reasons for denial.
- 26 2. The limited liability company may appeal the
- 27 denial of reinstatement to the district court within
- 28 thirty days after service of the notice of denial is
- 29 perfected. The limited liability company appeals by
- 30 petitioning the court to set aside the dissolution and
- 31 attaching to the petition copies of the secretary of
- 32 state's certificate of dissolution, the limited
- 33 liability company's application for reinstatement, and
- 34 the secretary of state's notice of denial.
- 35 3. The court may summarily order the secretary of 36 state to reinstate the dissolved limited liability
- 37 company or may take other action the court considers
- 38 appropriate.
- 39 4. The court's final decision may be appealed as 40 in other civil proceedings."
- 12. Page 4, by inserting after line 27 the
- 42 following:
- 43 "Sec. ___. Section 490A.1402, Code 2005, is
- 44 amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu
- 45 thereof the following:
- 46 490A.1402 APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF
- 47 AUTHORITY.
- 1. A foreign limited liability company may apply
- 49 for a certificate of authority to transact business in
- 50 this state by delivering an application to the **S-5143**

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 1 secretary of state for filing. The application must
 2 set forth all of the following:
          The name of the foreign limited liability
      a.
 4 company or, if its name is unavailable for use in this
 5 state, a name that satisfies the requirements of
 6 section 490A.401.
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      b.
          The name of the state or country under whose
 8 law it is organized.
          Its date of formation and period of duration.
          The street address of its principal office.
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      d.
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          The address of its registered office in this
12 state and the name of its registered agent at that
13 address as provided in subchapter V.
      2. The foreign limited liability company shall
15 deliver the completed application to the secretary of
16 state, and also deliver to the secretary of state a
17 certificate of existence or a document of similar
18 import duly authenticated by the secretary of state or
19 proper officer of the state or other jurisdiction of
20 its formation which is dated no earlier than ninety
21 days prior to the date the application is filed with
22 the secretary of state."
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      13. Page 5, by inserting after line 22 the
24 following:
                  Section 490A.1410, subsection 1,
25
      "Sec.
26 paragraph a, Code 2005, is amended by adding the
27 following new subparagraph:
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     NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (5) Deliver for filing to the
29 secretary of state a biennial report as required by
30 section 490A.131."
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      14. Page 5, by inserting after line 27 the
32 following:
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                        "DIVISION
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                  TRADITIONAL COOPERATIVES
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                 Section 499.78, subsection 1, unnumbered
36 paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
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     An association administratively dissolved under
38 section 499.77 may apply to the secretary of state for
39 reinstatement within two years at any time after the
40 effective date of dissolution. The application must
41 meet all of the following requirements:
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                        DIVISION
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                     CLOSED COOPERATIVES
     Sec.
                Section 501.104, Code 2005, is amended
45 to read as follows:
     501.104 NAME.
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     The name of a cooperative organized under this
48 chapter must comply with all of the following:
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1. The name must contain the word "cooperative",

50 "coop", or "co-op", and the.

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- 1 2. The name must be distinguishable from the names 2 all of the following:
- 3 <u>a. The name of cooperatives a cooperative</u> 4 organized under this chapter or.
- 5 <u>b.</u> The name of a cooperative or cooperative
 6 <u>association organized under another chapter, including</u>
 7 <u>chapter 497, 498, 499, or 501A.</u>
- 8 <u>c. The name of a foreign cooperatives cooperative,</u>
 9 <u>cooperative association, or corporation authorized to</u>
 10 do business in this state, including as provided in
 11 section 499.54 or section 501A.221.
- d. The name of a cooperative which has been administratively dissolved pursuant to section 501.812 for a period of less than five years from the official to date of the dissolution

15 effective date of the dissolution.

16 Sec. ____. Section 501.813, subsection 1, 17 unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read 18 as follows:

A cooperative administratively dissolved under 20 section 501.812 may apply to the secretary of state 21 for reinstatement within two years at any time after 22 the effective date of dissolution. The application 23 must meet all of the following requirements:

24 Sec. _ . Section 501.813, subsection 1, paragraph 25 c, Code $\overline{2005}$, is amended to read as follows:

26 c. State If the application is received more than
27 five years after the effective date of the
28 cooperative's dissolution, state a name that satisfies
29 the requirements of section 501.104.

30 Sec. ____. Section 501.813, subsection 2, paragraph 31 b, Code $\overline{200}$ 5, is amended to read as follows:

32 b. (1) If the secretary of state determines that 33 the application contains the information required by 34 subsection 1, and that a delinquency or liability 35 reported pursuant to paragraph "a" has been satisfied, 36 and that the information is correct, the secretary of 37 state shall cancel the certificate of dissolution and 38 prepare a certificate of reinstatement that recites 39 the secretary of state's determination and the 40 effective date of reinstatement, file the original of 41 the certificate document, and serve deliver a copy on 42 to the cooperative under section 501.106.

(2) If the name of the cooperative as provided in 44 subsection 1, paragraph "c", is different than the 45 name in subsection 1, paragraph "a", the certificate of reinstatement shall constitute an amendment to the 47 articles of association insofar as it pertains to the 48 name. A cooperative shall not relinquish the right to 49 retain its name if the reinstatement is effective

49 retain its name if the reinstatement is effective 50 within five years of the effective date of the

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 1 cooperative's dissolution."
      15. Page 5, by inserting after line 29 the
 3 following:
      "Sec. .
                Section 504.401, subsection 2,
 5 paragraph b, Code Supplement 2005, is amended by
 6 striking the paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof
 7 the following:
         A name reserved, registered, or protected as
      b.
 9 follows:
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      (1)
          For a limited liability partnership, section
11 486A.1001 or 486A.1002.
      (2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108,
13 488.109, or 488.810.
          For a business corporation, section 490.401,
      (.3)
15 490.402, 490.403, or 490.1422.
          For a limited liability company, section
17 490A.401, 490A.402, or 490A.1313.
          For a nonprofit corporation, this section or
18
      (5)
19 section 504.402, 504.403, or 504.1423."
          Page 6, lines 5 and 6, by striking the word
      16.
21 and figure "or 490A.402" and inserting the following:
22 ", 490A.402, or 490A.1313".
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      17. Page 11, by inserting after line 17 the
24 following:
                  Section 504.1423, subsection 1,
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      "Sec.
26 unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read
27 as follows:
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      A corporation administratively dissolved under
29 section 504.1422 may apply to the secretary of state
30 for reinstatement within two years at any time after
31 the effective date of dissolution. The application
32 must state all of the following:
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      Sec. . Section 504.1423, subsection 1,
34 paragraph c, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
     c. That If the application is received more than
36 five years after the effective date of dissolution,
37 state the corporation's name satisfies the
38 requirements of section 504.401.
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      Sec.
           . Section 504.1423, subsection 2,
40 paragraph b, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
     b. (1) If the secretary of state determines that
41
42 the application contains the information required by
43 subsection 1, that a delinquency or liability reported
44 pursuant to paragraph "a" has been satisfied, and that
45 all of the application information is correct, the
46 secretary of state shall cancel the certificate of
47 dissolution and prepare a certificate of reinstatement
48 reciting that determination and the effective date of
49 reinstatement, file the original of the certificate
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50 document, and serve deliver a copy on to the

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Page 12 1 corporation under section 504.504. 2 (2) If the corporate name in subsection 1, 3 paragraph "c", is different from the corporate name in 4 subsection 1, paragraph "a", the certificate of 5 reinstatement shall constitute an amendment to the 6 articles of incorporation insofar as it pertains to 7 the corporate name. A corporation shall not 8 relinquish the right to retain its corporate name if 9 the reinstatement is effective within five years of 10 the effective date of the corporation's dissolution." 11 18. Title page, by striking lines 2 and 3 and 12 inserting the following: "entities, including limited

13 partnerships, corporations, limited liability
14 companies, cooperatives, and nonprofit corporations."
15 19. By renumbering, relettering, or redesignating
16 and correcting internal references as necessary.

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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act containing various provisions relating to business
- 2 entities, including limited partnerships, corporations,
- 3 limited liability companies, cooperatives, and nonprofit
- 4 corporations.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 DIVISION I

2 LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS

- 3 Section 1. Section 488.108, subsection 4, paragraph b,
- 4 Code Supplement 2005, is amended by striking the paragraph and
- 5 inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 6 b. A name reserved, registered, or protected as follows:
- 7 (1) For a limited liability partnership, section 486A.1001
- 8 or 486A.1002.
- 9 (2) For a limited partnership, this section, section
- 10 488.109, or section 488.810.
- 11 (3) For a business corporation, section 490.401, 490.402,
- 12 490.403, or 490.1422.
- 13 (4) For a limited liability company, section 490A.401,
- 14 490A.402, or 490A.1314.
- 15 (5) For a nonprofit corporation, section 504.401, 504.402,
- 16 504.403, or 504.1423.
- 17 Sec. 2. Section 488.810, subsection 1, unnumbered
- 18 paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 19 A limited partnership that has been administratively
- 20 dissolved may apply to the secretary of state for
- 21 reinstatement within-two-years at any time after the effective
- 22 date of dissolution. The application must be delivered to the
- 23 secretary of state for filing and state all of the following:
- Sec. 3. Section 488.810, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code
- 25 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 26 c. That If the application is received more than five
- 27 years after the effective date of the dissolution, that the
- 28 limited partnership's name satisfies the requirements of
- 29 section 488.108.
- 30 Sec. 4. Section 488.810, subsection 2, Code 2005, is
- 31 amended to read as follows:
- 32 2. If the secretary of state determines that an
- 33 application contains the information required by subsection 2
- 34 and that the information is correct, the secretary of state
- 35 shall prepare a declaration of reinstatement that states this

- 1 determination, sign, and file the original of the declaration
- 2 of reinstatement, and serve deliver a copy to the limited
- 3 partnership with-a-copy.
- 4 Sec. 5. Section 488.810, Code 2005, is amended by adding
- 5 the following new subsection:
- 6 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. A limited partnership shall not
- 7 relinquish the right to retain its name if the reinstatement
- 8 is effective within five years of the effective date of the
- 9 limited partnership's dissolution.
- 10 DIVISION II
- 11 BUSINESS CORPORATIONS
- 12 Sec. 6. Section 490.401, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 13 Supplement 2005, is amended by striking the paragraph and
- 14 inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- b. A name reserved, registered, or protected as follows:
- 16 (1) For a limited liability partnership, section 486A.1001
- 17 or 486A.1002.
- 18 (2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108, 488.109,
- 19 or 488.810.
- 20 (3) For a business corporation, this section, or section
- 21 490.402, 490.403, or 490.1422.
- 22 (4) For a limited liability company, section 490A.401,
- 23 490A.402, or 490A.1314.
- 24 (5) For a nonprofit corporation, section 504.401, 504.402,
- 25 504.403, or 504.1423.
- Sec. 7. Section 490.401, subsection 5, Code Supplement
- 27 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 28 5. This chapter does not control the use of fictitious
- 29 names; however, if a corporation or a foreign corporation uses
- 30 a fictitious name in this state it shall deliver to the
- 31 secretary of state for filing a certified copy of the
- 32 resolution of-its-board-of-directors,-certified-by-its
- 33 secretary filed and executed according to section 490.120,
- 34 adopting the fictitious name.
- 35 Sec. 8. Section 490.630, subsection 1, Code 2005, is

- 1 amended to read as follows:
- 2 1. Unless-section-490-1704-is-applicable-to-the
- 3 corporation, the The shareholders of a corporation do not have
- 4 a preemptive right to acquire the corporation's unissued
- 5 shares except to the extent the articles of incorporation so
- 6 provide.
- 7 Sec. 9. Section 490.704, subsection 1, Code 2005, is
- 8 amended to read as follows:
- 9 1. Unless otherwise provided in the articles of
- 10 incorporation, any action required or permitted by this
- 11 chapter to be taken at a shareholders' meeting may be taken
- 12 without a meeting or vote, and, except as provided in
- 13 subsection 5, without prior notice, if one or more written
- 14 consents describing the action taken are signed by the holders
- 15 of outstanding shares having not less than ninety-percent-of
- 16 the-votes-entitled-to-be-cast the minimum number of votes that
- 17 would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a
- 18 meeting at which all shares entitled to vote on the action
- 19 were present and voted, and are delivered to the corporation
- 20 for inclusion in the minutes or filing with the corporate
- 21 records.
- Sec. 10. Section 490.1422, subsection 1, unnumbered
- 23 paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- A corporation administratively dissolved under section
- 25 490.1421 may apply to the secretary of state for reinstatement
- 26 within-two-years at any time after the effective date of
- 27 dissolution. The application must meet all of the following
- 28 requirements:
- 29 Sec. 11. Section 490.1422, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code
- 30 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 31 c. State If the application is received more than five
- 32 years after the effective date of dissolution, state a
- 33 corporate name that satisfies the requirements of section
- 34 490.401.
- 35 Sec. 12. Section 490.1422, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code

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- 1 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 2 b. (1) If the secretary of state determines that the
- 3 application contains the information required by subsection 1,
- 4 and that a delinquency or liability reported pursuant to
- 5 paragraph "a" of-this-subsection has been satisfied, and that
- 6 the information is correct, the secretary of state shall
- 7 cancel the certificate of dissolution and prepare a
- 8 certificate of reinstatement that recites the secretary of
- 9 state's determination and the effective date of reinstatement,
- 10 file the original-of-the certificate of reinstatement, and
- 11 serve deliver a copy on to the corporation under section
- 12 490.504.
- 13 (2) If the corporate name in subsection 1, paragraph "c",
- 14 is different than the corporate name in subsection 1,
- 15 paragraph "a", the certificate of reinstatement shall
- 16 constitute an amendment to the articles of incorporation
- 17 insofar as it pertains to the corporate name. A corporation
- 18 shall not relinquish the right to retain its corporate name if
- 19 the reinstatement is effective within five years of the
- 20 effective date of the corporation's dissolution.
- 21 Sec. 13. Section 490.1422, subsection 4, Code 2005, is
- 22 amended by striking the subsection.
- Sec. 14. Section 490.1506, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 24 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 25 b. A corporate name reserved or, registered under, or
- 26 protected as provided in section 490.402 or 490.403.
- 27 Sec. 15. Section 490.1701, subsection 3, paragraph a, Code
- 28 Supplement 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 29 a. The corporation shall amend or restate its articles of
- 30 incorporation to indicate that the corporation adopts this
- 31 chapter and to designate the address of its initial registered
- 32 office and the name of its registered agent or-agents at that
- 33 office and, if the name of the corporation is not in
- 34 compliance with the requirements of this chapter, to change
- 35 the name of the corporation to one complying with the

- 1 requirements of this chapter.
- 2 Sec. 16. Section 534.508, subsection 1, Code 2005, is
- 3 amended to read as follows:
- IN GENERAL. Sections 490.601 through 490.604, 490.620
- 5 through 490.628, and 490.630, and 490.1704 apply to stock
- 6 associations.
- 7 Sec. 17. Sections 490.1704 and 490.1705, Code 2005, are
- 8 repealed.
- 9 DIVISION III
- 10 LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES
- 11 Sec. 18. Section 490A.121, subsections 2 and 3, Code 2005,
- 12 are amended to read as follows:
- The secretary of state files a document by stamping-or
- 14 otherwise-endorsing recording it as "filed",-together-with-the
- 15 secretary-of-state's-name-and-official-title and acknowledging
- 16 the date and time of its receipt, -on-both-the-document-and-the
- 17 receipt-for-the-filing-fee7-and-recording-the-document-in-the
- 18 records-of-the-secretary-of-state. After filing a document,
- 19 and except as provided in section 490A.503, the secretary of
- 20 state shall deliver a copy of the filed document, with the
- 21 filing-fee-receipty-or an acknowledgment of receipt-if-no-fee
- 22 is-required, attached, the date and time of filing to the
- 23 domestic or foreign limited liability company or its
- 24 representative.
- 25 3. If the secretary of state refuses to file a document,
- 26 the secretary of state shall return it to the domestic or
- 27 foreign limited liability company or its representative within
- 28 ten-days-after-the-document-was-received-by-the-secretary-of
- 29 state, together with a brief, written explanation of the
- 30 reason for the refusal.
- 31 Sec. 19. Section 490A.124, subsection 1, paragraphs e and
- 32 f, Code 2005, are amended to read as follows:
- 33 e. Application for registered name per month or part
- 34 thereof \$ 2 No fee
- 35 f. Application for renewal of registered name

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- l \$ 2θ <u>No fee</u>
- Sec. 20. Section 490A.131, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code
- 3 Supplement 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 4 b. The street and-mailing address of its designated
- 5 registered office and the name and street-and mailing address
- 6 of its registered agent for-service-of-process-in-this-state.
- 7 Sec. 21. Section 490A.131, subsection 4, Code Supplement
- 8 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 9 4. If a filed biennial report contains an address of a
- 10 designated registered office or the name or address of an a
- 11 registered agent for-service-of-process which differs from the
- 12 information shown in the records of the secretary of state
- 13 immediately before the filing, the differing information in
- 14 the biennial report is considered a statement of change under
- 15 section 490A.502.
- 16 Sec. 22. Section 490A.201, Code 2005, is amended to read
- 17 as follows:
- 18 490A.201 PURPOSES.
- 19 1. A limited liability company organized under this
- 20 chapter has the purpose of engaging in any lawful business
- 21 activity unless a more limited purpose is set forth in the
- 22 articles of organization.
- 23 2. A limited liability company engaging in a-business an
- 24 <u>activity</u> that is subject to regulation under another statute
- 25 of this state may organize under this chapter only if
- 26 permitted by, and subject to all limitations of, the other
- 27 statute.
- Sec. 23. Section 490A.305, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 29 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 30 b. Separate and distinct records are maintained for the
- 31 that series and separate and distinct records account for the
- 32 assets associated with the that series are-held-and. The
- 33 assets associated with a series must be accounted for
- 34 separately from the other assets of the limited liability
- 35 company, or-from-any-other-series-of-the-limited-liability

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- 1 company including another series.
- 2 Sec. 24. Section 490A.305, subsection 13, Code 2005, is
- 3 amended to read as follows:
- 4 13. A foreign limited liability company that is
- 5 registering authorized to do business in this state under this
- 6 chapter subchapter XIV which is governed by an operating
- 7 agreement that establishes or provides for the establishment
- 8 of designated series of members, managers, or membership
- 9 interests having separate rights, powers, or duties with
- 10 respect to specified property or obligations of the foreign
- 11 limited liability company, or profits and losses associated
- 12 with the specified property or obligations, shall indicate
- 13 that fact on the application for registration a certificate of
- 14 authority as a foreign limited liability company as provided
- 15 in section 490A.1402. In addition, the foreign limited
- 16 liability company shall state on the application whether the
- 17 debts, liabilities, and obligations incurred, contracted for,
- 18 or otherwise existing with respect to a particular series, if
- 19 any, are enforceable against the assets of such series only,
- 20 and not against the assets of the foreign limited liability
- 21 company generally.
- Sec. 25. Section 490A.401, subsection 3, paragraph a, Code
- 23 2005, is amended by striking the paragraph and inserting in
- 24 lieu thereof the following:
- 25 a. A name reserved, registered, or protected as follows:
- 26 (1) For a limited liability partnership, section 486A.1001
- 27 or 486A.1002.
- 28 (2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108, 488.109,
- 29 or 488.810.
- 30 (3) For a business corporation, section 490.401, 490.402,
- 31 490.403, or 490.1422.
- 32 (4) For a limited liability company, this section or
- 33 section 490A.402 or 490A.1314.
- 34 (5) For a nonprofit corporation, section 504.401, 504.402,
- 35 504.403, or 504.1423.

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- 1 Sec. 26. Section 490A.401, subsection 3, paragraph d, Code
- 2 2005, is amended by striking the paragraph.
- 3 Sec. 27. NEW SECTION. 490A.1308 REVOCATION OF
- 4 DISSOLUTION.
- 5 1. A limited liability company may revoke its dissolution
- 6 within one hundred twenty days of the effective date of its
- 7 articles of dissolution.
- 8 2. Revocation of dissolution must be authorized in the
- 9 same manner as the dissolution was authorized unless that
- 10 authorization permitted revocation by action of the managers
- 11 of the limited liability company alone, in which event the
- 12 managers may revoke the dissolution without member action.
- 13 3. After the revocation of dissolution is authorized, the
- 14 limited liability company may revoke the dissolution by
- 15 delivering to the secretary of state for filing articles of
- 16 revocation of dissolution, together with a copy of its
- 17 articles of dissolution, that set forth all of the following:
- 18 a. The name of the limited liability company.
- 19 b. The effective date of the dissolution that was revoked.
- 20 c. The date that the revocation of dissolution was
- 21 authorized.
- 22 d. If members of the limited liability company unanimously
- 23 revoked the dissolution, a statement to that effect.
- e. If the managers of the limited liability company
- 25 revoked a dissolution authorized by its members, a statement
- 26 that revocation was permitted by action by the managers alone
- 27 pursuant to that authorization.
- 28 4. Revocation of dissolution is effective upon the
- 29 effective date of the articles of revocation of dissolution.
- 30 5. When the revocation of dissolution is effective, it
- 31 relates back to and takes effect as of the effective date of
- 32 the dissolution as if the dissolution had never occurred.
- 33 PART B
- 34 ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION
- 35 Sec. 28. NEW SECTION. 490A.1311 GROUNDS FOR

1 ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION.

- 2 The secretary of state may commence a proceeding under
- 3 section 490A.1312 to administratively dissolve a limited
- 4 liability company if any of the following apply:
- 5 l. The limited liability company has not delivered a
- 6 biennial report to the secretary of state in a form that meets
- 7 the requirements of section 490A.131, within sixty days after
- 8 it is due, or has not paid the filing fee as determined by the
- 9 secretary of state, within sixty days after it is due.
- 10 2. The limited liability company is without a registered
- 11 office or registered agent in this state as required in
- 12 subchapter V for sixty days or more.
- 13 3. The limited liability company does not notify the
- 14 secretary of state within sixty days that its registered
- 15 office or registered agent as required in subchapter V has
- 16 been changed, its registered office has been discontinued, or
- 17 that its registered agent has resigned.
- 18 4. The limited liability company's period of duration
- 19 stated in its articles of organization expires.
- 20 Sec. 29. NEW SECTION. 490A.1312 PROCEDURE FOR AND EFFECT
- 21 OF ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION.
- 22 1. If the secretary of state determines that one or more
- 23 grounds exist under section 490A.1311 for dissolving a limited
- 24 liability company, the secretary of state shall serve the
- 25 limited liability company with written notice of the secretary
- 26 of state's determination under section 490A.504.
- 2. If the limited liability company does not correct each
- 28 ground for dissolution or demonstrate to the reasonable
- 29 satisfaction of the secretary of state that each ground
- 30 determined by the secretary of state does not exist within
- 31 sixty days after service of the notice is perfected under
- 32 section 490A.504, the secretary of state shall
- 33 administratively dissolve the limited liability company by
- 34 signing a certificate of dissolution that recites the ground
- 35 or grounds for dissolution and its effective date. The

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- 1 secretary of state shall file the original of the certificate
- 2 and serve a copy on the limited liability company under
- 3 section 490A.504.
- 4 3. A limited liability company administratively dissolved
- 5 continues its existence but shall not carry on any business
- 6 except that necessary to wind up and liquidate its business
- 7 and affairs under part A of this subchapter and notify
- 8 claimants under sections 490A.1306 and 490A.1307.
- 9 4. The administrative dissolution of a limited liability
- 10 company does not terminate the authority of its registered
- 11 agent as provided in subchapter V.
- 12 5. The secretary of state's administrative dissolution of
- 13 a limited liability company pursuant to this section appoints
- 14 the secretary of state the limited liability company's agent.
- 15 for service of process in any proceeding based on a cause of
- 16 action which arose during the time the limited liability
- 17 company was authorized to transact business in this state.
- 18 Service of process on the secretary of state under this
- 19 subsection is service on the limited liability company. Upon
- 20 receipt of process, the secretary of state shall serve a copy
- 21 of the process on the limited liability company as provided in
- 22 section 490A.504. This subsection does not preclude service
- 23 on the limited liability company's registered agent, if any.
- 24 Sec. 30. NEW SECTION. 490A.1313 REINSTATEMENT FOLLOWING
- 25 ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION.
- 26 l. A limited liability company administratively dissolved
- 27 under section 490A.1312 may apply to the secretary of state
- 28 for reinstatement at any time after the effective date of
- 29 dissolution. The application must meet all of the following
- 30 requirements:
- 31 a. Recite the name of the limited liability company at its
- 32 date of dissolution and the effective date of its
- 33 administrative dissolution.
- 34 b. State that the ground or grounds for dissolution as
- 35 provided in section 490A.1311 have been eliminated.

- 1 c. If the application is received more than five years
- 2 after the effective date of the administrative dissolution,
- 3 state a name that satisfies the requirements of section
- 4 490A.401.
- 5 d. State the federal tax identification number of the
- 6 limited liability company.
- 7 2. a. The secretary of state shall refer the federal tax
- 8 identification number contained in the application for
- 9 reinstatement to the department of revenue. The department of
- 10 revenue shall report to the secretary of state the tax status
- 11 of the limited liability company. If the department reports
- 12 to the secretary of state that a filing delinquency or
- 13 liability exists against the limited liability company, the
- 14 secretary of state shall not cancel the certificate of
- 15 dissolution until the filing delinquency or liability is
- 16 satisfied.
- 17 b. If the secretary of state determines that the
- 18 application contains the information required by subsection 1,
- 19 and that a delinquency or liability reported pursuant to
- 20 paragraph "a" of this subsection has been satisfied, and that
- 21 the information is correct, the secretary of state shall
- 22 cancel the certificate of dissolution and prepare a
- 23 certificate of reinstatement that recites the secretary of
- 24 state's determination and the effective date of reinstatement,
- 25 file the original of the certificate, and serve a copy on the
- 26 limited liability company under section 490A.504. If the
- 27 limited liability company's name in subsection 1, paragraph
- 28 "c", is different than the name in subsection 1, paragraph
- 29 "a", the certificate of reinstatement shall constitute an
- 30 amendment to the limited liability company's articles of
- 31 organization insofar as it pertains to its name. A limited
- 32 liability company shall not relinquish the right to retain its
- 33 name as provided in section 490A.401, if the reinstatement is
- 34 effective within five years of the effective date of the
- 35 limited liability company's dissolution.

- 3. When the reinstatement is effective, it relates back to
- 2 and takes effect as of the effective date of the
- 3 administrative dissolution as if the administrative
- 4 dissolution had never occurred.
- 5 Sec. 31. NEW SECTION. 490A.1314 APPEAL FROM DENIAL OF
- 6 REINSTATEMENT.
- 7 1. If the secretary of state denies a limited liability
- 8 company's application for reinstatement following
- 9 administrative dissolution pursuant to section 490A.1312, the
- 10 secretary of state shall serve the limited liability company
- 11 under section 490A.504 with a written notice that explains the
- 12 reason or reasons for denial.
- 13 2. The limited liability company may appeal the denial of
- 14 reinstatement to the district court within thirty days after
- 15 service of the notice of denial is perfected. The limited
- 16 liability company appeals by petitioning the court to set
- 17 aside the dissolution and attaching to the petition copies of
- 18 the secretary of state's certificate of dissolution, the
- 19 limited liability company's application for reinstatement, and
- 20 the secretary of state's notice of denial.
- 21 3. The court may summarily order the secretary of state to
- 22 reinstate the dissolved limited liability company or may take
- 23 other action the court considers appropriate.
- 24 4. The court's final decision may be appealed as in other
- 25 civil proceedings.
- Sec. 32. Section 490A.1401, Code 2005, is amended to read
- 27 as follows:
- 28 490A.1401 LAW GOVERNING.
- 29 The law of the state or other jurisdiction under which a
- 30 foreign limited liability company is formed governs its
- 31 formation and internal affairs and the liability of its
- 32 members and managers. A foreign limited liability company
- 33 shall not be denied registration a certificate of authority by
- 34 reason of any difference between those laws and the laws of
- 35 this state. A foreign limited liability company holding a

- 1 valid registration certificate of authority in this state
- 2 shall have no greater rights and privileges than a domestic
- 3 limited liability company. The registration certificate of
- 4 authority shall not be deemed to authorize the foreign limited
- 5 liability company to exercise any of its powers or purposes
- 6 that a domestic limited liability company is forbidden by law
- 7 to exercise in this state.
- 8 Sec. 33. Section 490A.1402, Code 2005, is amended by
- 9 striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the
- 10 following:
- 11 490A.1402 APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY.
- 12 1. A foreign limited liability company may apply for a
- 13 certificate of authority to transact business in this state by
- 14 delivering an application to the secretary of state for
- 15 filing. The application must set forth all of the following:
- 16 a. The name of the foreign limited liability company or,
- 17 if its name is unavailable for use in this state, a name that
- 18 satisfies the requirements of section 490A.401.
- 19 b. The name of the state or country under whose law it is
- 20 organized.
- 21 c. Its date of formation and period of duration.
- 22 d. The street address of its principal office.
- e. The address of its registered office in this state and
- 24 the name of its registered agent at that address as provided
- 25 in subchapter V.
- 26 2. The foreign limited liability company shall deliver the
- 27 completed application to the secretary of state, and also
- 28 deliver to the secretary of state a certificate of existence
- 29 or a document of similar import duly authenticated by the
- 30 secretary of state or proper officer of the state or other
- 31 jurisdiction of its formation which is dated no earlier than
- 32 ninety days prior to the date the application is filed with
- 33 the secretary of state.
- Sec. 34. Section 490A.1404, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
- 35 2005, is amended to read as follows:

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- 1 A certificate of registration authority shall not be issued
- 2 to a foreign limited liability company unless the name of the
- 3 limited liability company satisfies the requirements of
- 4 section 490A.401. To obtain or maintain a certificate of
- 5 registration authority, the company shall comply with the
- 6 following:
- 7 Sec. 35. Section 490A.1405, Code 2005, is amended to read
- 8 as follows:
- 9 490A.1405 CHANGE AND AMENDMENT.
- 10 If any statement in the application for registration a
- 11 certificate of authority of a foreign limited liability
- 12 company was false when made or any arrangements or other facts
- 13 described have changed, making the application inaccurate in
- 14 any respect, the foreign limited liability company shall
- 15 promptly deliver to the secretary of state for filing articles
- 16 of correction correcting such statement as required by section
- 17 490A.123.
- 18 Sec. 36. Section 490A.1406, subsection 1, paragraph b,
- 19 Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 20 b. That the foreign limited liability company is not
- 21 transacting business in this state and that it surrenders its
- 22 registration certificate of authority to transact business in
- 23 this state.
- 24 Sec. 37. Section 490A.1406, subsection 2, Code 2005, is
- 25 amended to read as follows:
- 26 2. The certificate of registration authority shall be
- 27 canceled upon the filing of the certificate of cancellation by
- 28 the secretary of state.
- Sec. 38. Section 490A.1410, subsection 2, unnumbered
- 30 paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 31 A certificate of registration authority of a foreign
- 32 limited liability company shall not be revoked by the
- 33 secretary of state, unless both of the following apply:
- 34 DIVISION IV
- 35 TRADITIONAL COOPERATIVES

- 1 Sec. 39. Section 499.78, subsection 1, unnumbered
- 2 paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 3 An association administratively dissolved under section
- 4 499.77 may apply to the secretary of state for reinstatement
- 5 within-two-years at any time after the effective date of
- 6 dissolution. The application must meet all of the following
- 7 requirements:
- B DIVISION V
- 9 CLOSED COOPERATIVES
- 10 Sec. 40. Section 501.104, Code 2005, is amended to read as
- 11 follows:
- 12 501.104 NAME.
- 13 The name of a cooperative organized under this chapter must
- 14 comply with all of the following:
- 15 <u>1. The name must contain the word "cooperative", "coop",</u>
- 16 or "co-op",-and-the.
- 17 2. The name must be distinguishable from the-names all of
- 18 the following:
- 19 a. The name of cooperatives a cooperative organized under
- 20 this chapter or.
- 21 b. The name of a cooperative or cooperative association
- 22 organized under another chapter, including chapter 497, 498,
- 23 499, or 501A.
- 24 c. The name of a foreign cooperatives cooperative,
- 25 cooperative association, or corporation authorized to do
- 26 business in this state, including as provided in section
- 27 499.54 or section 501A.221.
- 28 d. The name of a cooperative which has been
- 29 administratively dissolved pursuant to section 501.812 for a
- 30 period of less than five years from the effective date of the
- 31 dissolution.
- 32 Sec. 41. Section 501.813, subsection 1, unnumbered
- 33 paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 34 A cooperative administratively dissolved under section
- 35 501.812 may apply to the secretary of state for reinstatement

- 1 within-two-years at any time after the effective date of
- 2 dissolution. The application must meet all of the following
- 3 requirements:
- 4 Sec. 42. Section 501.813, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code
- 5 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 6 c. State If the application is received more than five
- 7 years after the effective date of the cooperative's
- 8 dissolution, state a name that satisfies the requirements of
- 9 section 501.104.
- 10 Sec. 43. Section 501.813, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 11 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 12 b. (1) If the secretary of state determines that the
- 13 application contains the information required by subsection 1,
- 14 and that a delinquency or liability reported pursuant to
- 15 paragraph "a" has been satisfied, and that the information is
- 16 correct, the secretary of state shall cancel the certificate
- 17 of dissolution and prepare a certificate of reinstatement that
- 18 recites the secretary of state's determination and the
- 19 effective date of reinstatement, file the original-of-the
- 20 certificate document, and serve deliver a copy on to the
- 21 cooperative under section 501.106.
- 22 (2) If the name of the cooperative as provided in
- 23 subsection 1, paragraph "c", is different than the name in
- 24 subsection 1, paragraph "a", the certificate of reinstatement
- 25 shall constitute an amendment to the articles of association
- 26 insofar as it pertains to the name. A cooperative shall not
- 27 relinquish the right to retain its name if the reinstatement
- 28 is effective within five years of the effective date of the
- 29 cooperative's dissolution.
- 30 DIVISION VI
- 31 NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS
- 32 Sec. 44. Section 504.401, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 33 Supplement 2005, is amended by striking the paragraph and
- 34 inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 35 b. A name reserved, registered, or protected as follows:

- 1 (1) For a limited liability partnership, section 486A.1001 2 or 486A.1002.
- 3 (2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108, 488.109,
- 4 or 488.810.
- 5 (3) For a business corporation, section 490.401, 490.402,
- 6 490.403, or 490.1422.
- 7 (4) For a limited liability company, section 490A.401,
- 8 490A.402, or 490A.1314.
- 9 (5) For a nonprofit corporation, this section or section
- 10 504.402, 504.403, or 504.1423.
- 11 Sec. 45. Section 504.401, subsection 5, Code Supplement
- 12 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 13 5. This chapter does not control the use of fictitious
- 14 names; however, if a corporation or a foreign corporation uses
- 15 a fictitious name in this state, it shall deliver to the
- 16 secretary of state for filing a certified copy of the
- 17 resolution of-its-board-of-directors,-certified-by-its
- 18 secretary filed and executed pursuant to section 504.111,
- 19 adopting the fictitious name.
- 20 Sec. 46. Section 504.403, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code
- 21 Supplement 2005, is amended by striking the paragraph and
- 22 inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 23 b. A name reserved, registered, or protected as follows:
- 24 (1) For a limited liability partnership, section 486A.1001
- 25 or 486A.1002.
- 26 (2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108, 488.109,
- 27 or 488.810.
- 28 (3) For a business corporation, section 490.401, 490.402,
- 29 490.403, or 490.1422.
- 30 (4) For a limited liability company, section 490A.401,
- 31 490A.402, or 490A.1314.
- 32 (5) For a nonprofit corporation, this section or section
- 33 501.401, 501.402, or 504.1423.
- 34 Sec. 47. Section 504.702, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code
- 35 2005, is amended to read as follows:

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- b. Except as provided in the articles or bylaws of a
- 2 religious corporation, if the holders of at least five percent
- 3 of the voting power of any corporation sign, date, and deliver
- 4 to any corporate officer one or more written demands for the
- 5 meeting describing the purpose for which it is to be held.
- 6 Unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation, a
- 7 written demand for a special meeting may be revoked by a
- 8 writing to that effect received by the corporation prior to
- 9 the receipt by the corporation of demands sufficient in number
- 10 to require the holding of a special meeting.
- 11 Sec. 48. Section 504.808, subsection 10, unnumbered
- 12 paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 13 The articles or bylaws of a religious corporation may do
- 14 both of the following:
- 15 Sec. 49. Section 504.901, Code Supplement 2005, is amended
- 16 to read as follows:
- 17 504.901 PERSONAL LIABILITY.
- 18 1. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a
- 19 director, officer, employee, or member of a corporation is not
- 20 liable for the corporation's debts or obligations and a
- 21 director, officer, member, or other volunteer is not
- 22 personally liable in that capacity to any person for any
- 23 action taken or failure to take any action in the discharge of
- 24 the person's duties except liability for any of the following:
- 25 $\pm \frac{1}{2}$ The amount of any financial benefit to which the
- 26 person is not entitled.
- 27 2. b. An intentional infliction of harm on the
- 28 corporation or the members.
- 29 3- c. A violation of section 504.835.
- 30 4- d. An intentional violation of criminal law.
- 31 2. A provision set forth in the articles of incorporation
- 32 <u>eliminating or limiting the liability of a director to the</u>
- 33 corporation or its members for money damages for any action
- 34 taken, or any failure to take any action, pursuant to section
- 35 504.202, subsection 2, paragraph "d", shall not affect the

1 applicability of this section.

- 2 Sec. 50. Section 504.1001, Code 2005, is amended to read
- 3 as follows:
- 4 504.1001 AUTHORITY TO AMEND.
- 5 A corporation may amend its articles of incorporation at
- 6 any time to add or change a provision that is required or
- 7 permitted in the articles as of the effective date of the
- 8 amendment or to delete a provision that is not required to be
- 9 contained in the articles of incorporation. Whether-a
- 10 provision-is-required-or-permitted-in-the-articles-is
- 11 determined-as-of-the-effective-date-of-the-amendment.
- 12 Sec. 51. Section 504.1002, subsection 1, Code 2005, is
- 13 amended to read as follows:
- Unless the articles of incorporation provide otherwise,
- 15 a corporation's board of directors may adopt one-or-more
- 16 amendments to the corporation's articles of incorporation
- 17 without member approval to-do for any of the following
- 18 purposes:
- 19 a. Extend To extend the duration of the corporation if it
- 20 was incorporated at a time when limited duration was required
- 21 by law.
- 22 b. Delete To delete the names and addresses of the initial
- 23 directors.
- 24 c. Delete To delete the name and address of the initial
- 25 registered agent or registered office, if a statement of
- 26 change is on file with the secretary of state.
- 27 d. Change To change the corporate name by substituting the
- 28 word "corporation", "incorporated", "company", "limited", or
- 29 the abbreviation "corp.", "inc.", "co.", or "ltd.", for a
- 30 similar word or abbreviation in the name, or by adding,
- 31 deleting, or changing a geographical attribution to the name.
- 32 e. Make To make any other change expressly permitted by
- 33 this subchapter to be made by director action.
- 34 Sec. 52. Section 504.1005, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
- 35 2005, is amended to read as follows:

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- A After an amendment to the articles of incorporation has
- 2 been adopted and approved in the manner required by this
- 3 chapter and by the articles of incorporation or bylaws, the
- 4 corporation amending its articles shall deliver to the
- 5 secretary of state, for filing, articles of amendment setting
- 6 forth:
- 7 Sec. 53. Section 504.1005, subsections 4 and 5, Code 2005,
- 8 are amended to read as follows:
- 9 4. If approval by members was not required, a-statement-to
- 10 that-effect-and a statement that the amendment was duly
- 11 approved by a-sufficient-vote-of the incorporators or by the
- 12 board of directors or-incorporators, as the case may be, and
- 13 that member approval was not required.
- 14 5. If approval by members was required, both-of-the
- 15 following:
- 16 a:--The-designation; -number-of-memberships-outstanding;
- 17 number-of-votes-entitled-to-be-cast-by-each-class-entitled-to
- 18 vote-separately-on-the-amendment,-and-number-of-votes-of-each
- 19 class-indisputably-voting-on-the-amendment.
- 20 b---Either-the-total-number-of-votes-cast-for-and-against
- 21 the-amendment-by-each-class-entitled-to-vote-separately-on-the
- 22 amendment-or-the-total-number-of-undisputed-votes-cast-for-the
- 23 amendment-by-each-class-and a statement that the number-of
- 24 votes-cast-for-the amendment by-each-class was sufficient-for
- 25 approval-by-that-class duly approved by the members in the
- 26 manner required by this chapter, the articles of
- 27 incorporation, and bylaws.
- 28 Sec. 54. Section 504.1006, Code 2005, is amended to read
- 29 as follows:
- 30 504.1006 RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.
- 31 1. A corporation's board of directors may restate the
- 32 corporation's articles of incorporation at any time with or
- 33 without approval by members or any other person, to
- 34 consolidate all amendments into a single document.
- 35 2. The-restatement-may If the restated articles include

- 1 one or more new amendments to-the-articles---If-the
- 2 restatement-includes-an-amendment-requiring that require
- 3 approval by the members or any other person, it the amendments
- 4 must be adopted as provided in section 504.1003.
- 5 3---If-the-restatement-includes-an-amendment-requiring
- 6 approval-by-members,-the-board-must-submit-the-restatement-to
- 7 the-members-for-their-approval.
- 8 4:--If-the-board-seeks-to-have-the-restatement-approved-by
- 9 the-members-at-a-membership-meeting,-the-corporation-shall
- 10 notify-each-of-its-members-of-the-proposed-membership-meeting
- 11 in-writing-in-accordance-with-section-504.705.--The-notice
- 12 must-also-state-that-the-purpose,-or-one-of-the-purposes,-of-
- 13 the-meeting-is-to-consider-the-proposed-restatement-and-must
- 14 contain-or-be-accompanied-by-a-copy-or-summary-of-the
- 15 restatement-that-identifies-any-amendments-or-other-changes
- 16 the-restatement-would-make-in-the-articles-
- 17 5--- If-the-board-seeks-to-have-the-restatement-approved-by
- 18 the-members-by-written-ballot-or-written-consent,-the-material
- 19 soliciting-the-approval-shall-contain-or-be-accompanied-by-a
- 20 copy-or-summary-of-the-restatement-that-identifies-any
- 21 amendments-or-other-changes-the-restatement-would-make-in-the
- 22 articles-
- 23 6---A-restatement-requiring-approval-by-the-members-must-be
- 24 approved-by-the-same-vote-as-an-amendment-to-articles-under
- 25 section-504-1003-
- 26 7. 3. If the restatement includes an amendment requiring
- 27 approval pursuant to section 504.1031, the board must submit
- 28 the restatement for such approval.
- 29 8. 4. A corporation restating that restates its articles
- 30 of incorporation shall deliver to the secretary of state for
- 31 filing articles of restatement setting forth the name of the
- 32 corporation and the text of the restated articles of
- 33 incorporation together with a certificate setting-forth-all-of
- 34 the-following:
- 35 a --- Whether the restatement contains an amendment to the

- 1 articles-requiring-approval-by-the-members-or-any-other-person
- 2 other-than-the-board-of-directors-and;-if-it-does-not;-that
- 3 the-board-of-directors-adopted-the-restatement-
- 4 b--- If-the-restatement-contains-an-amendment-to-the
- 5 articles-requiring-approval-by-the-members,-the-information
- 6 required-by-section-504-1005-
- 7 c---If-the-restatement-contains-an-amendment-to-the
- 8 articles-requiring-approval-by-a-person-whose-approval-is
- 9 required-pursuant-to-section-504-1031,-a-statement-that-such
- 10 approval-was-obtained stating that the restated articles
- ll consolidate all amendments into a single document. If a new
- 12 amendment is included in the restated articles, the
- 13 corporation shall include the statement required in section
- 14 504.1005.
- $9 \div 5$. Duly adopted restated articles of incorporation
- 16 supersede the original articles of incorporation and all
- 17 amendments to the original articles of incorporation.
- 18 $\frac{10}{10}$ The secretary of state may certify restated
- 19 articles of incorporation as the articles of incorporation
- 20 currently in effect without including the certificate
- 21 information required by subsection 8 $\underline{4}$.
- 22 Sec. 55. Section 504.1007, subsection 1, Code 2005, is
- 23 amended to read as follows:
- 24 l. A corporation's articles may be amended without board
- 25 approval or approval by the members or approval required
- 26 pursuant to section 504.1031 to carry out a plan of
- 27 reorganization ordered or decreed by a court of competent
- 28 jurisdiction under federal-statute-if-the-articles-after
- 29 amendment-contain-only-provisions-required-or-permitted-by
- 30 section-504.202 the authority of law of the United States.
- 31 Sec. 56. Section 504.1008, Code Supplement 2005, is
- 32 amended to read as follows:
- 33 504.1008 EFFECT OF AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT.
- 34 An amendment to the articles of incorporation does not
- 35 affect a cause of action existing against or in favor of the

1 corporation, a proceeding to which the corporation is a party,

- 2 any requirement or limitation imposed upon the corporation, or
- 3 any property held by it by virtue of any trust upon which such
- 4 property is held by the corporation, or the existing rights of
- 5 persons other than members of the corporation. An amendment
- 6 changing a corporation's name does not abate a proceeding
- 7 brought by or against the corporation in its former name.
- 8 Sec. 57. Section 504.1423, subsection 1, unnumbered
- 9 paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 10 A corporation administratively dissolved under section
- 11 504.1422 may apply to the secretary of state for reinstatement
- 12 within-two-years at any time after the effective date of
- 13 dissolution. The application must state all of the following:
- 14 Sec. 58. Section 504.1423, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code
- 15 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 16 c. That If the application is received more than five
- 17 years after the effective date of dissolution, state the
- 18 corporation's name satisfies the requirements of section
- 19 504.401.
- Sec. 59. Section 504.1423, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 21 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 22 b. (1) If the secretary of state determines that the
- 23 application contains the information required by subsection 1,
- 24 that a delinquency or liability reported pursuant to paragraph
- 25 "a" has been satisfied, and that all of the application
- 26 information is correct, the secretary of state shall cancel
- 27 the certificate of dissolution and prepare a certificate of
- 28 reinstatement reciting that determination and the effective
- 29 date of reinstatement, file the original-of-the-certificate
- 30 document, and serve deliver a copy on to the corporation under
- 31 section 504.504.
- 32 (2) If the corporate name in subsection 1, paragraph "c",
- 33 is different from the corporate name in subsection 1,
- 34 paragraph "a", the certificate of reinstatement shall
- 35 constitute an amendment to the articles of incorporation

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- 1 insofar as it pertains to the corporate name. A corporation
- 2 shall not relinquish the right to retain its corporate name if
- 3 the reinstatement is effective within five years of the
- 4 effective date of the corporation's dissolution.
- 5 Sec. 60. Section 504.1506, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
- 6 Supplement 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 7 b. A corporate name reserved, or registered under, or
- 8 protected as provided in section 490.402 or 490.403 or section
- 9 504.402 or 504.403.
- 10 Sec. 61. NEW SECTION. 504.1607 EXCEPTION TO NOTICE
- 11 REQUIREMENT.
- 12 1. Whenever notice is required to be given under any
- 13 provision of this chapter to any member, such notice shall not
- 14 be required to be given if notice of two consecutive annual
- 15 meetings, and all notices of meetings during the period
- 16 between such two consecutive annual meetings, have been sent
- 17 to the member at the member's address as shown on the records
- 18 of the corporation and have been returned as undeliverable.
- 19 2. If the member delivers to the corporation a written
- 20 notice setting forth the member's then-current address, the
- 21 requirement that notice be given to the member shall be
- 22 reinstated.
- 23 EXPLANATION
- 24 This bill is divided into a number of divisions
- 25 corresponding to Code chapters governing different forms of
- 26 business entities, including division I which amends
- 27 provisions in Code chapter 488 governing limited partnerships,
- 28 division II which amends provisions in Code chapter 490
- 29 governing business corporations, division III which amends
- 30 provisions in Code chapter 490A governing limited liability
- 31 companies, division IV amending provisions in Code chapter 499
- 32 governing traditional cooperative associations, division V
- 33 which amends provisions in Code chapter 501 governing closed
- 34 cooperatives, and division VI which amends provisions in Code
- 35 chapter 504 governing nonprofit corporations.

- 1 DIVISION I -- LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS. Code section 488.108
- 2 restricts how a limited partnership may name itself. The
- 3 division provides that the name must be distinguished from
- 4 names of other business entities in existence or which may be
- 5 reinstated following dissolution, including a limited
- 6 liability partnership (Code chapter 486A), a limited
- 7 partnership (under the Code chapter), a business corporation
- 8 (Code chapter 490), a limited liability company (Code chapter
- 9 490A), or a nonprofit corporation (Code chapter 504).
- 10 Code section 488.810 provides for a limited partnership's
- 11 reinstatement after it has been administratively dissolved.
- 12 The bill eliminates a requirement that the limited partnership
- 13 must apply within two years to the secretary of state for
- 14 reinstatement. It also provides that a limited partnership
- 15 has five years to reclaim its name following the effective
- 16 date of an administrative dissolution.
- 17 Code section 488.810 provides procedures for reinstatement
- 18 by the secretary of state. The division provides that the
- 19 secretary of state is to deliver (mail) a copy of the
- 20 declaration of reinstatement to the limited partnership rather
- 21 than to utilize service of process procedures.
- 22 DIVISION II -- BUSINESS CORPORATIONS. Code section 490.401
- 23 restricts how a business corporation may name itself. The
- 24 division provides that the name must be distinguished from
- 25 names of other business entities in existence or which may be
- 26 reinstated following dissolution, in the same manner as
- 27 provided in division I.
- 28 Code section 490.704 is amended to allow a business
- 29 corporation to take action without a meeting with the consent
- 30 of shareholders having the minimum number of votes required to
- 31 authorize the action at a meeting.
- 32 Code section 490.1422 provides procedures for reinstatement
- 33 by the secretary of state. The division provides that the
- 34 secretary of state may deliver (mail) the business corporation
- 35 a copy of the declaration of reinstatement rather than utilize

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- 1 service of process procedures. It also provides that a
- 2 corporation does not relinquish the right to retain its
- 3 corporate name if the reinstatement is effective within five
- 4 years of the effective date of the corporation's dissolution
- 5 in the same manner as provided in division I. The division
- 6 also amends a provision in the Code section by allowing it to
- 7 list only one registered agent.
- 8 DIVISION III -- LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES. Code section
- 9 490A.121 provides for the filing of documents with the office
- 10 of the secretary of state. The division eliminates
- 11 requirements that documents be endorsed and provides that the
- 12 secretary of state must acknowledge the date and time of
- 13 filing. It eliminates a requirement that the secretary of
- 14 state return an unfiled document to the limited liability
- 15 company within a specified time period.
- 16 Code section 490A.124 lists filing fees for a number of
- 17 documents filed with the secretary of state, including an
- 18 application fee for a registered name reserved per month and
- 19 an application for the renewal of a registered name. The
- 20 division provides that these items have no fees.
- 21 Code section 490A.131 requires a limited liability company
- 22 to deliver a biennial report to the secretary of state. The
- 23 division eliminates requirements relating to the mailing
- 24 address of the limited liability company's registered office
- 25 and agent.
- Code section 490A.201 is amended to provide that a limited
- 27 liability company may have as its purpose any lawful activity,
- 28 not just a lawful business activity.
- 29. Code section 490A.305 is amended to further describe the
- 30 requirements for maintenance of separate and distinct records
- 31 associated with a series of members, managers, or membership
- 32 interests of a limited liability company.
- Code section 490A.401 restricts how a limited liability
- 34 company may name itself. The division provides that the name
- 35 must be distinguished from names of other business entities in

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1 existence or which may be reinstated following dissolution, in

- 2 the same manner as provided for business entities described in
- 3 division I and division II.
- 4 The division creates a number of new provisions relating to
- 5 the dissolution of a limited liability company. New Code
- 6 section 490A.1308 provides for the revocation of a voluntary
- 7 dissolution. Other provisions provide for administrative
- 8 dissolution. New Code section 490A.1311 provides grounds for
- 9 an administrative dissolution. New Code section 490A.1312
- 10 provides procedures for administrative dissolution. New Code
- 11 section 490A.1313 provides for reinstatement following
- 12 administrative dissolution. New Code section 490A.1314
- 13 provides for appeal from a denial of reinstatement. In
- 14 addition, Code section 490A.1402 is rewritten to provide a
- 15 procedure for an application for a certificate of authority
- 16 for a foreign limited liability company. It replaces
- 17 provisions in a number of Code sections which refer to
- 18 registration requirements.
- 19 DIVISION IV -- TRADITIONAL COOPERATIVES. The division
- 20 amends a provision in Code section 499.78 which provides for
- 21 the administrative dissolution of a cooperative association
- 22 and allows a cooperative association to apply for
- 23 reinstatement within two years after the effective date of the
- 24 dissolution. The division eliminates that deadline
- 25 requirement in the same manner as for other business entities
- 26 described in the previous divisions.
- 27 DIVISION V -- CLOSED COOPERATIVES. Code section 501A.104
- 28 restricts how a closed cooperative may name itself. The
- 29 division amends the Code section to provide that the name must
- 30 be distinguishable from other cooperatives or cooperative
- 31 associations organized under the Code chapter or other Code
- 32 chapters, including the name of a closed cooperative which has
- 33 been administratively dissolved in the same manner as
- 34 amendments to provisions in division I, division II, and
- 35 division III.

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- Code section 501A.813 provides for the administrative
- 2 dissolution of a cooperative association and allows a
- 3 cooperative association to apply for reinstatement within two
- 4 years after the effective date of the dissolution. The
- 5 division eliminates that deadline requirement in the same
- 6 manner as provided for the preceding divisions of the bill.
- 7 The division also provides that a closed cooperative does not
- 8 relinquish the right to retain its name if it is reinstated
- 9 within five years of the effective date of the closed
- 10 cooperative's dissolution in the same manner as for other
- 11 business entities described in division I, division II, and
- 12 division III.
- 13 DIVISION VI -- NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS. Code section
- 14 504.401 restricts how a nonprofit corporation may name itself.
- 15 The division provides that the name must be distinguished from
- 16 names of other business entities in existence or which may be
- 17 reinstated following dissolution, in the same manner as the
- 18 business entities described in division I, division II, and
- 19 division III.
- 20 Code section 504.401 also provides requirements for the
- 21 filing of a resolution adopted by a nonprofit corporation's
- 22 board of directors which adopts a fictitious name. The
- 23 division provides that the resolution is not required to be
- 24 certified by the board.
- 25 Code section 504.702 is amended to provide that any
- 26 nonprofit corporation, not just a religious corporation, can
- 27 alter the statutory demand requirements for holding a special
- 28 meeting of the corporation in its corporate articles or
- 29 bylaws.
- 30 Code section 504.808 is amended to provide that any
- 31 nonprofit corporation, not just a religious corporation, can
- 32 alter the statutory requirements for removal of elected
- 33 corporate directors in its corporate articles or bylaws.
- Code section 504.1001 is amended to make the language
- 35 consistent with Code section 490.1001, relating to business

1 corporations, by providing that a nonprofit corporation has

- 2 the authority to amend its articles of incorporation by adding
- 3 or changing a provision that is required or permitted in the
- 4 articles of incorporation as of the effective date of the
- 5 amendment, or to delete a provision not required in the
- 6 articles of incorporation.
- 7 Code section 504.1002 is amended to make the language
- 8 consistent with Code section 490.1005 relating to business
- 9 corporations, providing for amendments of articles of
- 10 incorporation by corporate directors.
- 11 Code section 504.1005 is amended to make the language
- 12 consistent with Code section 490.1006 relating to business
- 13 corporations, and provides that articles of amendment of a
- 14 nonprofit corporation be adopted and approved as required by
- 15 law and by the corporate articles or bylaws before being
- 16 delivered to the secretary of state for filing.
- 17 Code section 504.1005, subsections 4 and 5, are amended to
- 18 make the language consistent with Code section 490.1006
- 19 relating to business corporations, and provides that the
- 20 articles of amendment of a nonprofit corporation must include
- 21 a statement that member approval was not required and the
- 22 amendment was approved by the incorporators or directors, or a
- 23 statement that member approval was required and was approved
- 24 as required by law and by the corporate articles or bylaws.
- 25 Code section 504.1006 is amended to make the language
- 26 consistent with Code section 490.1007 relating to business
- 27 corporations, and provides that a nonprofit corporation's
- 28 board of directors may consolidate all amendments into a
- 29 single restated article of incorporation, any new amendments
- 30 included in the restated articles that require approval must
- 31 meet the requirements for amendments contained in Code section
- 32 504.1003, and restated articles of incorporation must be
- 33 delivered to the secretary of state for filing accompanied by
- 34 a certificate stating that the restated articles consolidate
- 35 all amendments into one document and, if new amendments are

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1 included, the statement required under Code section 504.1005.

- 2 Code section 504.1007 is amended to make the language
- 3 consistent with Code section 490.1008 relating to business
- 4 corporations, and provides that a nonprofit corporation's
- 5 articles may be amended without board or member approval or
- 6 approval by a third person under Code section 504.1031 to
- 7 carry out a plan of reorganization ordered by a court of
- 8 competent jurisdiction under the authority of United States
- 9 law.
- 10 Code section 504.1008 is amended to make the language
- 11 consistent with Code section 490.1009, relating to business
- 12 corporations, and is a technical correction.
- Code section 504.1423 provides for a nonprofit
- 14 corporation's reinstatement after it has been administratively
- 15 dissolved. The division eliminates a requirement that the
- 16 limited partnership must apply within two years to the
- 17 secretary of state for reinstatement and provides that a
- 18 limited partnership has five years to reclaim its name
- 19 following the effective date of the administrative dissolution
- 20 in the same manner as provided in division I, division II,
- 21 division III, and division IV.
- New Code section 504.1607 provides that notice to a member
- 23 of a nonprofit corporation is no longer required if notice of
- 24 two consecutive annual meetings and all notices of meetings
- 25 between the two consecutive annual meetings have been sent to
- 26 the member at the address of record and returned as
- 27 undeliverable. The notice requirement can be reinstated if
- 28 the member delivers written notice of the member's current
- 29 address to the corporation.

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AN ACT

CONTAINING VARIOUS PROVISIONS RELATING TO BUSINESS ENTITIES,
INCLUDING LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS, CORPORATIONS, LIMITED
LIABILITY COMPANIES, COOPERATIVES, AND NONPROFIT
CORPORATIONS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

DIVISION I

LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS

Section 1. Section 488.108, subsection 4, paragraph b, Code Supplement 2005, is amended by striking the paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

- b. A name reserved, registered, or protected as follows:
- (1) For a limited liability partnership, section 486A.1001 or 486A.1002.
- (2) For a limited partnership, this section, section 488.109, or section 488.810.
- (3) For a business corporation, section 490.401, 490.402, 490.403, or 490.1422.
- (4) For a limited liability company, section 490A.401, 490A.402, or 490A.1313.
- (5) For a nonprofit corporation, section 504.401, 504.402, 504.403, or 504.1423.
- Sec. 2. Section 488.810, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

A limited partnership that has been administratively dissolved may apply to the secretary of state for reinstatement within-two-years at any time after the effective date of dissolution. The application must be delivered to the secretary of state for filing and state all of the following:

Sec. 3. Section 488.810, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

- c. That If the application is received more than five years after the effective date of the dissolution, that the limited partnership's name satisfies the requirements of section 488.108.
- Sec. 4. Section 488.810, subsection 2, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 2. If the secretary of state determines that an application contains the information required by subsection 2 and that the information is correct, the secretary of state shall prepare a declaration of reinstatement that states this determination, sign, and file the original-of-the declaration of reinstatement, and serve deliver a copy to the limited partnership with-a-copy.
- Sec. 5. Section 488.810, Code 2005, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 4. A limited partnership shall not relinquish the right to retain its name if the reinstatement is effective within five years of the effective date of the limited partnership's dissolution.

DIVISION II

BUSINESS CORPORATIONS

- Sec. 6. Section 490.401, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code Supplement 2005, is amended by striking the paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
 - b. A name reserved, registered, or protected as follows:
- (1) For a limited liability partnership, section 486A.1001 or 486A.1002.

- (2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108, 488.109, or 488.810.
- (3) For a business corporation, this section, or section 490.402, 490.403, or 490.1422.
- (4) For a limited liability company, section 490A.401, 490A.402, or 490A.1313.
- (5) For a nonprofit corporation, section 504.401, 504.402, 504.403, or 504.1423.
- Sec. 7. Section 490.502, subsection 3, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 3. If a registered agent changes the registered agent's business address to another place, the registered agent may change the business address and the address of the registered agent by filing a statement as required in subsection 2 for each corporation, or a single statement for all corporations named in the notice, except that it need be signed only by the registered agent or-agents and need not be responsive to subsection 1, paragraph "c", and must recite that a copy of the statement has been mailed to each corporation named in the notice.
- Sec. 8. Section 490.630, subsection 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 1. Unless-section-490-1704-is-applicable-to-the corporation,—the <u>The</u> shareholders of a corporation do not have a preemptive right to acquire the corporation's unissued shares except to the extent the articles of incorporation so provide.
- Sec. 9. Section 490.1422, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

A corporation administratively dissolved under section 490.1421 may apply to the secretary of state for reinstatement within-two-years at any time after the effective date of dissolution. The application must meet all of the following requirements:

- Sec. 10. Section 490.1422, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- c. State If the application is received more than five years after the effective date of dissolution, state a corporate name that satisfies the requirements of section 490.401.
- Sec. 11. Section 490.1422, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- b. (1) If the secretary of state determines that the application contains the information required by subsection 1, and that a delinquency or liability reported pursuant to paragraph "a" of-this-subsection has been satisfied, and that the information is correct, the secretary of state shall cancel the certificate of dissolution and prepare a certificate of reinstatement that recites the secretary of state's determination and the effective date of reinstatement, file the original-of-the certificate of reinstatement, and serve deliver a copy on to the corporation under section 490.504.
- (2) If the corporate name in subsection 1, paragraph "c", is different than the corporate name in subsection 1, paragraph "a", the certificate of reinstatement shall constitute an amendment to the articles of incorporation insofar as it pertains to the corporate name. A corporation shall not relinquish the right to retain its corporate name if the reinstatement is effective within five years of the effective date of the corporation's dissolution.
- Sec. 12. Section 490.1422, subsection 4, Code 2005, is amended by striking the subsection.
- Sec. 13. Section 490.1506, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- b. A corporate name reserved or, registered under, or protected as provided in section 490.402 or 490.403.
- Sec. 14. Section 490.1701, subsection 3, paragraph a, Code Supplement 2005, is amended to read as follows:

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- a. The corporation shall amend or restate its articles of incorporation to indicate that the corporation adopts this chapter and to designate the address of its initial registered office and the name of its registered agent or-agents at that office and, if the name of the corporation is not in compliance with the requirements of this chapter, to change the name of the corporation to one complying with the requirements of this chapter.
- Sec. 15. Section 534.508, subsection 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 1. IN GENERAL. Sections 490.601 through 490.604, 490.620 through 490.628, and 490.6307-and-490.1704 apply to stock associations.
- Sec. 16. Sections 490.1704 and 490.1705, Code 2005, are repealed.

DIVISION III

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES

- Sec. 17. Section 490A.121, subsections 2 and 3, Code 2005, are amended to read as follows:
- 2. The secretary of state files a document by stamping-or otherwise-endorsing recording it as "filed", together-with-the secretary-of-state's-name-and-official-title and acknowledging the date and time of its receipt, on-both-the-document-and-the receipt-for-the-filing-fee, and-recording-the-document-in-the records-of-the-secretary-of-state. After filing a document, and except as provided in section 490A.503, the secretary of state shall deliver a copy of the filed document, with the filing-fee-receipt, or an acknowledgment of receipt-if-no-fee is-required, attached, the date and time of filing to the domestic or foreign limited liability company or its representative.
- 3. If the secretary of state refuses to file a document, the secretary of state shall return it to the domestic or foreign limited liability company or its representative within ten-days-after-the-document-was-received-by-the-secretary-of

state, together with a brief, written explanation of the reason for the refusal.

Sec. 18. Section 490A.124, subsection 1, paragraphs e and f. Code 2005, are amended to read as follows:

- e. Application for registered name per month or part thereof \$ 2

 No fee
- f. Application for renewal of registered name

20 No fee

- Sec. 19. Section 490A.131, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code Supplement 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- b. The street and-mailing address of its designated registered office and the name and street and-mailing address of its registered agent for-service-of-process-in-this-state.
- Sec. 20. Section 490A.131, subsection 4, Code Supplement 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 4. If a filed biennial report contains an address of a designated registered office or the name or address of an a registered agent for-service-of-process which differs from the information shown in the records of the secretary of state immediately before the filing, the differing information in the biennial report is considered a statement of change under section 490A.502.
- Sec. 21. Section 490A.131, subsection 5, Code Supplement 2005, is amended by striking the subsection.
- Sec. 22. Section 490A.201, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

490A.201 PURPOSES.

- 1. A limited liability company organized under this chapter has the purpose of engaging in any lawful business activity unless a more limited purpose is set forth in the articles of organization.
- 2. A limited liability company engaging in a-business an activity that is subject to regulation under another statute

of this state may organize under this chapter only if permitted by, and subject to all limitations of, the other statute.

Sec. 23. Section 490A.305, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

b. Separate and distinct records are maintained for the that series and separate and distinct records account for the assets associated with the that series are-held-and. The assets associated with a series must be accounted for separately from the other assets of the limited liability company, or-from-any-other-series-of-the-limited-liability company including another series.

Sec. 24. Section 490A.305, subsection 13, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

13. A foreign limited liability company that is registering authorized to do business in this state under this chapter subchapter XIV which is governed by an operating agreement that establishes or provides for the establishment of designated series of members, managers, or membership interests having separate rights, powers, or duties with respect to specified property or obligations of the foreign limited liability company, or profits and losses associated with the specified property or obligations, shall indicate that fact on the application for registration a certificate of authority as a foreign limited liability company. In addition, the foreign limited liability company shall state on the application whether the debts, liabilities, and obligations incurred, contracted for, or otherwise existing with respect to a particular series, if any, are enforceable against the assets of such series only, and not against the assets of the foreign limited liability company generally.

Sec. 25. Section 490A.401, subsection 3, paragraph b, Code 2005, is amended by striking the paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

- b. A name reserved, registered, or protected as follows:
- (1) For a limited liability partnership, section 486A.1001 or 486A.1002.
- (2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108, 488.109, or 488.810.
- (3) For a business corporation, section 490.401, 490.402, 490.403, or 490.1422.
- (4) For a limited liability company, this section or section 490A.402 or 490A.1313.
- (5) For a nonprofit corporation, section 504.401, 504.402, 504.403, or 504.1423.

Sec. 26. Section 490A.401, subsection 6, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

- 6. This chapter does not control the use of fictitious names; however, if a limited liability company uses a fictitious name in this state it shall deliver to the secretary of state for filing a certified copy of the resolution of-the-limited-liability-company filed and executed according to section 490A.120 adopting the fictitious name.
- Sec. 27. Section 490A.1301, Code 2005, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 4. The administrative dissolution of the limited liability company under section 490A.1312.

Sec. 28. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 490A.1308 REVOCATION OF DISSOLUTION.

- A limited liability company may revoke its dissolution within one hundred twenty days of the effective date of its articles of dissolution.
- 2. Revocation of dissolution must be authorized in the same manner as the dissolution was authorized unless that authorization permitted revocation by action of the managers of the limited liability company alone, in which event the managers may revoke the dissolution without member action.
- 3. After the revocation of dissolution is authorized, the limited liability company may revoke the dissolution by

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delivering to the secretary of state for filing articles of revocation of dissolution, together with a copy of its articles of dissolution, that set forth all of the following:

- a. The name of the limited liability company.
- b. The effective date of the dissolution that was revoked.
- c. The date that the revocation of dissolution was authorized.
- d. If members of the limited liability company unanimously revoked the dissolution, a statement to that effect.
- e. If the managers of the limited liability company revoked a dissolution authorized by its members, a statement that revocation was permitted by action by the managers alone pursuant to that authorization.
- Revocation of dissolution is effective upon the effective date of the articles of revocation of dissolution.
- 5. When the revocation of dissolution is effective, it relates back to and takes effect as of the effective date of the dissolution as if the dissolution had never occurred.

PART B

ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION

Sec. 29. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 490A.1311 GROUNDS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION.

The secretary of state may commence a proceeding under section 490A.1312 to administratively dissolve a limited liability company if any of the following apply:

- 1. The limited liability company has not delivered a biennial report to the secretary of state in a form that meets the requirements of section 490A.131, within sixty days after it is due, or has not paid the filing fee as determined by the secretary of state, within sixty days after it is due.
- 2. The limited liability company is without a registered office or registered agent in this state as required in subchapter V for sixty days or more.
- 3. The limited liability company does not notify the secretary of state within sixty days that its registered

office or registered agent as required in subchapter V has been changed, its registered office has been discontinued, or that its registered agent has resigned.

- 4. The limited liability company's period of duration stated in its articles of organization expires.
- Sec. 30. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 490A.1312 PROCEDURE FOR AND EFFECT OF ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION.
- 1. If the secretary of state determines that one or more grounds exist under section 490A.1311 for dissolving a limited liability company, the secretary of state shall serve the limited liability company with written notice of the secretary of state's determination under section 490A.504.
- 2. If the limited liability company does not correct each ground for dissolution or demonstrate to the reasonable satisfaction of the secretary of state that each ground determined by the secretary of state does not exist within sixty days after service of the notice is perfected under section 490A.504, the secretary of state shall administratively dissolve the limited liability company by signing a certificate of dissolution that recites the ground or grounds for dissolution and its effective date. The secretary of state shall file the original of the certificate and serve a copy on the limited liability company under section 490A.504.
- 3. A limited liability company administratively dissolved continues its existence but shall not carry on any business except that necessary to wind up and liquidate its business and affairs under part A of this subchapter and notify claimants under sections 490A.1306 and 490A.1307.
- 4. The administrative dissolution of a limited liability company does not terminate the authority of its registered agent as provided in subchapter V.
- 5. The secretary of state's administrative dissolution of a limited liability company pursuant to this section appoints the secretary of state the limited liability company's agent

for service of process in any proceeding based on a cause of action which arose during the time the limited liability company was authorized to transact business in this state. Service of process on the secretary of state under this subsection is service on the limited liability company. Upon receipt of process, the secretary of state shall serve a copy of the process on the limited liability company as provided in section 490A.504. This subsection does not preclude service on the limited liability company's registered agent, if any.

Sec. 31. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 490A.1313 REINSTATEMENT FOLLOWING ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION.

- 1. A limited liability company administratively dissolved under section 490A.1312 may apply to the secretary of state for reinstatement at any time after the effective date of dissolution. The application must meet all of the following requirements:
- a. Recite the name of the limited liability company at its date of dissolution and the effective date of its administrative dissolution.
- b. State that the ground or grounds for dissolution as provided in section 490A.1311 have been eliminated.
- c. If the application is received more than five years after the effective date of the administrative dissolution, state a name that satisfies the requirements of section 490A.401.
- d. State the federal tax identification number of the limited liability company.
- 2. a. The secretary of state shall refer the federal tax identification number contained in the application for reinstatement to the department of revenue. The department of revenue shall report to the secretary of state the tax status of the limited liability company. If the department reports to the secretary of state that a filing delinquency or liability exists against the limited liability company, the secretary of state shall not cancel the certificate of

dissolution until the filing delinquency or liability is satisfied.

- b. If the secretary of state determines that the application contains the information required by subsection 1, and that a delinquency or liability reported pursuant to paragraph "a" of this subsection has been satisfied, and that the information is correct, the secretary of state shall cancel the certificate of dissolution and prepare a certificate of reinstatement that recites the secretary of state's determination and the effective date of reinstatement. file the original of the certificate, and serve a copy on the limited liability company under section 490A.504. If the limited liability company's name in subsection 1, paragraph "c", is different than the name in subsection 1, paragraph "a", the certificate of reinstatement shall constitute an amendment to the limited liability company's articles of organization insofar as it pertains to its name. A limited liability company shall not relinquish the right to retain its name as provided in section 490A.401, if the reinstatement is effective within five years of the effective date of the limited liability company's dissolution.
- 3. When the reinstatement is effective, it relates back to and takes effect as of the effective date of the administrative dissolution as if the administrative dissolution had never occurred.
- Sec. 32. <u>New Section</u>. 490a.1314 APPEAL FROM DENIAL OF REINSTATEMENT.
- 1. If the secretary of state denies a limited liability company's application for reinstatement following administrative dissolution pursuant to section 490A.1312, the secretary of state shall serve the limited liability company under section 490A.504 with a written notice that explains the reason or reasons for denial.
- 2. The limited liability company may appeal the denial of reinstatement to the district court within thirty days after

service of the notice of denial is perfected. The limited liability company appeals by petitioning the court to set aside the dissolution and attaching to the petition copies of the secretary of state's certificate of dissolution, the limited liability company's application for reinstatement, and the secretary of state's notice of denial.

- 3. The court may summarily order the secretary of state to reinstate the dissolved limited liability company or may take other action the court considers appropriate.
- The court's final decision may be appealed as in other civil proceedings.
- Sec. 33. Section 490A.1401, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

490A.1401 LAW GOVERNING.

The law of the state or other jurisdiction under which a foreign limited liability company is formed governs its formation and internal affairs and the liability of its members and managers. A foreign limited liability company shall not be denied registration a certificate of authority by reason of any difference between those laws and the laws of this state. A foreign limited liability company holding a valid registration certificate of authority in this state shall have no greater rights and privileges than a domestic limited liability company. The registration certificate of authority shall not be deemed to authorize the foreign limited liability company to exercise any of its powers or purposes that a domestic limited liability company is forbidden by law to exercise in this state.

Sec. 34. Section 490A.1402, Code 2005, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

490A.1402 APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY.

1. A foreign limited liability company may apply for a certificate of authority to transact business in this state by delivering an application to the secretary of state for filing. The application must set forth all of the following:

- a. The name of the foreign limited liability company or, if its name is unavailable for use in this state, a name that satisfies the requirements of section 490A.401.
- b. The name of the state or country under whose law it is organized.
 - c. Its date of formation and period of duration.
 - d. The street address of its principal office.
- e. The address of its registered office in this state and the name of its registered agent at that address as provided in subchapter V.
- 2. The foreign limited liability company shall deliver the completed application to the secretary of state, and also deliver to the secretary of state a certificate of existence or a document of similar import duly authenticated by the secretary of state or proper officer of the state or other jurisdiction of its formation which is dated no earlier than ninety days prior to the date the application is filed with the secretary of state.

Sec. 35. Section 490A.1404, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

A certificate of registration authority shall not be issued to a foreign limited liability company unless the name of the limited liability company satisfies the requirements of section 490A.401. To obtain or maintain a certificate of registration authority, the company shall comply with the following:

Sec. 36. Section 490A.1405, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

490A.1405 CHANGE AND AMENDMENT.

If any statement in the application for registration a certificate of authority of a foreign limited liability company was false when made or any arrangements or other facts described have changed, making the application inaccurate in any respect, the foreign limited liability company shall promptly deliver to the secretary of state for filing articles

of correction correcting such statement as required by section 490A.123.

- Sec. 37. Section 490A.1406, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- b. That the foreign limited liability company is not transacting business in this state and that it surrenders its registration certificate of authority to transact business in this state.
- Sec. 38. Section 490A.1406, subsection 2, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- 2. The certificate of registration authority shall be canceled upon the filing of the certificate of cancellation by the secretary of state.
- Sec. 39. Section 490A.1410, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code 2005, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:

NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (5) Deliver for filing to the secretary of state a biennial report as required by section 490A.131.

Sec. 40. Section 490A.1410, subsection 2, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

A certificate of registration <u>authority</u> of a foreign limited liability company shall not be revoked by the secretary of state, unless both of the following apply:

DIVISION IV

TRADITIONAL COOPERATIVES

Sec. 41. Section 499.78, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

An association administratively dissolved under section 499.77 may apply to the secretary of state for reinstatement within-two-years at any time after the effective date of dissolution. The application must meet all of the following requirements:

DIVISION V
CLOSED COOPERATIVES

Sec. 42. Section 501.104, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

501.104 NAME.

The name of a cooperative organized under this chapter must comply with all of the following:

- 1. The name must contain the word "cooperative", "coop",
 or "co-op",-and-the.
- 2. The name must be distinguishable from the-names all of the following:
- a. The name of cooperatives a cooperative organized under this chapter or.
- b. The name of a cooperative or cooperative association organized under another chapter, including chapter 497, 498, 499, or 501A.
- c. The name of a foreign cooperatives cooperative, cooperative association, or corporation authorized to do business in this state, including as provided in section 499.54 or section 501A.221.
- d. The name of a cooperative which has been administratively dissolved pursuant to section 501.812 for a period of less than five years from the effective date of the dissolution.
- Sec. 43. Section 501.813, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

A cooperative administratively dissolved under section 501.812 may apply to the secretary of state for reinstatement within-two-years at any time after the effective date of dissolution. The application must meet all of the following requirements:

- Sec. 44. Section 501.813, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- c. State If the application is received more than five years after the effective date of the cooperative's dissolution, state a name that satisfies the requirements of section 501.104.

- Sec. 45. Section 501.813, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- b. (1) If the secretary of state determines that the application contains the information required by subsection 1, and that a delinquency or liability reported pursuant to paragraph "a" has been satisfied, and that the information is correct, the secretary of state shall cancel the certificate of dissolution and prepare a certificate of reinstatement that recites the secretary of state's determination and the effective date of reinstatement, file the original-of-the certificate document, and serve deliver a copy on to the cooperative under section 501.106.
- (2) If the name of the cooperative as provided in subsection 1, paragraph "c", is different than the name in subsection 1, paragraph "a", the certificate of reinstatement shall constitute an amendment to the articles of association insofar as it pertains to the name. A cooperative shall not relinquish the right to retain its name if the reinstatement is effective within five years of the effective date of the cooperative's dissolution.

DIVISION VI

NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS

- Sec. 46. Section 504.401, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code Supplement 2005, is amended by striking the paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
 - b. A name reserved, registered, or protected as follows:
- (1) For a limited liability partnership, section 486A.1001 or 486A.1002.
- (2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108, 488.109, or 488.810.
- (3) For a business corporation, section 490.401, 490.402, 490.403, or 490.1422.
- (4) For a limited liability company, section 490A.401, 490A.402, or 490A.1313.

- (5) For a nonprofit corporation, this section or section 504.402, 504.403, or 504.1423.
- Sec. 47. Section 504.403, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code Supplement 2005, is amended by striking the paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
 - b. A name reserved, registered, or protected as follows:
- (1) For a limited liability partnership, section 486A.1001 or 486A.1002.
- (2) For a limited partnership, section 488.108, 488.109, or 488.810.
- (3) For a business corporation, section 490.401, 490.402, 490.403, or 490.1422.
- (4) For a limited liability company, section 490A.401, 490A.402, or 490A.1313.
- (5) For a nonprofit corporation, this section or section 501.401, 501.402, or 504.1423.
- Sec. 48. Section 504.702, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- b. Except as provided in the articles or bylaws of a religious corporation, if the holders of at least five percent of the voting power of any corporation sign, date, and deliver to any corporate officer one or more written demands for the meeting describing the purpose for which it is to be held. Unless otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation, a written demand for a special meeting may be revoked by a writing to that effect received by the corporation prior to the receipt by the corporation of demands sufficient in number to require the holding of a special meeting.
- Sec. 49. Section 504.808, subsection 10, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

The articles or bylaws of a religious corporation may do both of the following:

Sec. 50. Section 504.901, Code Supplement 2005, is amended to read as follows:

504.901 PERSONAL LIABILITY.

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a director, officer, employee, or member of a corporation is not liable for the corporation's debts or obligations and a director, officer, member, or other volunteer is not personally liable in that capacity to any person for any action taken or failure to take any action in the discharge of the person's duties except liability for any of the following:
- $\pm \tau$ <u>a.</u> The amount of any financial benefit to which the person is not entitled.
- 2. b. An intentional infliction of harm on the corporation or the members.
 - 3. c. A violation of section 504.835.
 - 4. d. An intentional violation of criminal law.
- 2. A provision set forth in the articles of incorporation eliminating or limiting the liability of a director to the corporation or its members for money damages for any action taken, or any failure to take any action, pursuant to section 504.202, subsection 2, paragraph "d", shall not affect the applicability of this section.
- Sec. 51. Section 504.1001, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

504.1001 AUTHORITY TO AMEND.

A corporation may amend its articles of incorporation at any time to add or change a provision that is required or permitted in the articles as of the effective date of the amendment or to delete a provision that is not required to be contained in the articles of incorporation. Whether-a provision-is-required-or-permitted-in-the-articles-is determined-as-of-the-effective-date-of-the-amendment.

- Sec. 52. Section 504.1002, subsection 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- Unless the articles of incorporation provide otherwise, a corporation's board of directors may adopt one-or-more amendments to the corporation's articles of incorporation

without member approval to-do for any of the following purposes:

- a. Extend To extend the duration of the corporation if it was incorporated at a time when limited duration was required by law.
- b. Belete <u>To delete</u> the names and addresses of the initial directors.
- c. Belete <u>To delete</u> the name and address of the initial registered agent or registered office, if a statement of change is on file with the secretary of state.
- d. Change To change the corporate name by substituting the word "corporation", "incorporated", "company", "limited", or the abbreviation "corp.", "inc.", "co.", or "ltd.", for a similar word or abbreviation in the name, or by adding, deleting, or changing a geographical attribution to the name.
- e. Make To make any other change expressly permitted by this subchapter to be made by director action.
- Sec. 53. Section 504.1005, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- A After an amendment to the articles of incorporation has been adopted and approved in the manner required by this chapter and by the articles of incorporation or bylaws, the corporation amending its articles shall deliver to the secretary of state, for filing, articles of amendment setting forth:
- Sec. 54. Section 504.1005, subsections 4 and 5, Code 2005, are amended to read as follows:
- 4. If approval by members was not required, a-statement-to that-effect-and a statement that the amendment was <u>duly</u> approved by a-sufficient-vote-of the incorporators or by the board of directors or-incorporators, as the case may be, and that member approval was not required.
- If approval by members was required, both-of-the following:

ar--The-designation;-number-of-memberships-outstanding; number-of-votes-entitled-to-be-cast-by-each-class-entitled-to vote-separately-on-the-amendment;-and-number-of-votes-of-each class-indisputably-voting-on-the-amendment;

b.-Either-the-total-number-of-votes-cast-for-and-against the-amendment-by-each-class-entitled-to-vote-separately-on-the amendment-or-the-total-number-of-undisputed-votes-cast-for-the amendment-by-each-class-and a statement that the number-of votes-cast-for-the amendment by-each-class was sufficient-for approval-by-that-class duly approved by the members in the manner required by this chapter, the articles of incorporation, and bylaws.

Sec. 55. Section 504.1006, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

504.1006 RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.

- 1. A corporation's board of directors may restate the corporation's articles of incorporation at any time with or without approval by members or any other person, to consolidate all amendments into a single document.
- 2. The-restatement-may If the restated articles include one or more new amendments to-the-articles.—If-the restatement-includes-an-amendment-requiring that require approval by the members or any other person, it the amendments must be adopted as provided in section 504.1003.

3.--If-the-restatement-includes-an-amendment-requiring approval-by-members,-the-board-must-submit-the-restatement-to the-members-for-their-approval+

47--If-the-board-seeks-to-have-the-restatement-approved-by the-members-at-a-membership-meeting7-the-corporation-shall notify-each-of-its-members-of-the-proposed-membership-meeting in-writing-in-accordance-with-section-504-705---The-notice must-also-state-that-the-purpose7-or-one-of-the-purpose7-of the-meeting-is-to-consider-the-proposed-restatement-and-must contain-or-be-accompanied-by-a-copy-or-summary-of-the restatement-that-identifies-any-amendments-or-other-changes the-restatement-would-make-in-the-articles-

57--If-the-board-seeks-to-have-the-restatement-approved-by the-members-by-written-ballot-or-written-consenty-the-material soliciting-the-approval-shall-contain-or-be-accompanied-by-a copy-or-summary-of-the-restatement-that-identifies-any amendments-or-other-changes-the-restatement-would-make-in-the articles-

6--A-restatement-requiring-approval-by-the-members-must-be approved-by-the-same-vote-as-an-amendment-to-articles-under section-504-1003-

- $7 au ext{ } ext{3.}$ If the restatement includes an amendment requiring approval pursuant to section 504.1031, the board must submit the restatement for such approval.
- 0. 4. A corporation restating that restates its articles of incorporation shall deliver to the secretary of state for filing articles of restatement setting forth the name of the corporation and the text of the restated articles of incorporation together with a certificate setting-forth-all-of the-following:

ar--Whether-the-restatement-contains-an-amendment-to-the articles-requiring-approval-by-the-members-or-any-other-person other-than-the-board-of-directors-andy-if-it-does-noty-that the-board-of-directors-adopted-the-restatement*

b.--If-the-restatement-contains-an-amendment-to-the articles-requiring-approval-by-the-members,-the-information required-by-section-504.1005.

ct--If-the-restatement-contains-an-amendment-to-the articles-requiring-approval-by-a-person-whose-approval-is required-pursuant-to-section-504+1031;-a-statement-that-such approval-was-obtained stating that the restated articles consolidate all amendments into a single document. If a new amendment is included in the restated articles, the corporation shall include the statement required in section 504.1005.

97 5. Duly adopted restated articles of incorporation supersede the original articles of incorporation and all amendments to the original articles of incorporation.

±0. The secretary of state may certify restated articles of incorporation as the articles of incorporation currently in effect without including the certificate information required by subsection θ 4.

Sec. 56. Section 504.1007, subsection 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

- 1. A corporation's articles may be amended without board approval or approval by the members or approval required pursuant to section 504.1031 to carry out a plan of reorganization ordered or decreed by a court of competent jurisdiction under federal-statute-if-the-articles-after amendment-contain-only-provisions-required-or-permitted-by section-504-202 the authority of law of the United States.
- Sec. 57. Section 504.1008, Code Supplement 2005, is amended to read as follows:

504.1008 EFFECT OF AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT.

An amendment to the articles of incorporation does not affect a cause of action existing against or in favor of the corporation, a proceeding to which the corporation is a party, any requirement or limitation imposed upon the corporation, or any property held by it by virtue of any trust upon which such property is held by the corporation, or the existing rights of persons other than members of the corporation. An amendment changing a corporation's name does not abate a proceeding brought by or against the corporation in its former name.

Sec. 58. Section 504.1423, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

A corporation administratively dissolved under section 504.1422 may apply to the secretary of state for reinstatement within-two-years at any time after the effective date of dissolution. The application must state all of the following:

Sec. 59. Section 504.1423, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

c. That If the application is received more than five years after the effective date of dissolution, state the

corporation's name satisfies the requirements of section

- Sec. 60. Section 504.1423, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- b. (1) If the secretary of state determines that the application contains the information required by subsection 1, that a delinquency or liability reported pursuant to paragraph "a" has been satisfied, and that all of the application information is correct, the secretary of state shall cancel the certificate of dissolution and prepare a certificate of reinstatement reciting that determination and the effective date of reinstatement, file the original-of-the-certificate document, and serve deliver a copy on to the corporation under section 504.504.
- (2) If the corporate name in subsection 1, paragraph "c", is different from the corporate name in subsection 1, paragraph "a", the certificate of reinstatement shall constitute an amendment to the articles of incorporation insofar as it pertains to the corporate name. A corporation shall not relinquish the right to retain its corporate name if the reinstatement is effective within five years of the effective date of the corporation's dissolution.
- Sec. 61. Section 504.1506, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code Supplement 2005, is amended to read as follows:
- b. A corporate name reserved, or registered under, or protected as provided in section 490.402 or 490.403 or section 504.402 or 504.403.
- Sec. 62. NEW SECTION. 504.1607 EXCEPTION TO NOTICE REQUIREMENT.
- 1. Whenever notice is required to be given under any provision of this chapter to any member, such notice shall not be required to be given if notice of two consecutive annual meetings, and all notices of meetings during the period between such two consecutive annual meetings, have been sent to the member at the member's address as shown on the records of the corporation and have been returned as undeliverable.

2. If the member	delivers to the corporation a written
notice setting forth	the member's then-current address, the
requirement that not	ice be given to the member shall be
reinstated.	
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