94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SB1629

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

205 ILCS 405/6

from Ch. 17, par. 4813

Amends the Currency Exchange Act. Provides that a community currency exchange licensed under the Currency Exchange Act may meet the bonding requirements of the Act by submitting evidence satisfactory to the Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation that the licensee is covered by a blanket bond that covers multiple licensees. Requires the blanket bond to: (i) insure the licensee against loss by theft, robbery, or forgery; (ii) be issued by a bonding company authorized to do business in this State; and (iii) be in the principal sum of an amount equal to the maximum amount required for any one licensee covered by the bond.

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AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Currency Exchange Act is amended by changing
Section 6 as follows:

- (205 ILCS 405/6) (from Ch. 17, par. 4813)
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Sec. 6. Insurance against loss.

(a) Every applicant for a license hereunder shall, after 8 his application for a license has been approved, file with and 9 have approved by the Secretary of Financial and Professional 10 Regulation Director, a policy or policies of insurance issued 11 by an insurance company or indemnity company authorized to do 12 business under the law of this State, which shall insure the 13 14 applicant against loss by theft, burglary, robbery or forgery 15 in a principal sum as hereinafter provided; if the average amount of cash and liquid funds to be kept on hand in the 16 17 office of the community currency exchange during the year will not be in excess of \$10,000 the policy or policies shall be in 18 19 the principal sum of \$10,000. If such average amount will be in excess of \$10,000, the policy or policies shall be for an 20 additional principal sum of \$500 for each \$1,000 or fraction 21 22 thereof of such excess over the original \$10,000. From time to 23 time, the Secretary Director may determine the amount of cash and liquid funds on hand in the office of any community 24 25 currency exchange and shall require the licensee to submit 26 additional policies if the same are determined to be necessary in accordance with the requirements of this Section. 27

However, any community currency exchange licensed under this Act may meet the bonding requirements of this subsection (a) by submitting evidence satisfactory to the Secretary that the licensee is covered by a blanket bond that covers multiple licensees. The blanket bond: (i) shall insure the licensee SB1629

against loss by theft, robbery, or forgery; (ii) shall be issued by a bonding company authorized to do business in this State; and (iii) shall be in the principal sum of an amount equal to the maximum amount required under this Section for any one licensee covered by the bond.

Any such policy or policies, with respect to forgery, may carry a condition that the community currency exchange assumes the first \$1,000 of each claim thereunder.

9 (b) Before an ambulatory currency exchange shall sell or 10 issue money orders, it shall file with and have approved by the 11 Secretary Director, a policy or policies of insurance issued by 12 an insurance company or indemnity company authorized to do 13 business under the laws of this State, which shall insure such ambulatory currency exchange against loss by theft, burglary, 14 15 robbery, forgery or embezzlement in the principal sum of not 16 less than \$500,000. If the average amount of cash and liquid 17 funds to be kept on hand during the year will exceed \$500,000, the policy or policies shall be for an additional principal sum 18 19 of \$500 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof in excess of 20 \$500,000. From time to time the <u>Secretary</u> Director may determine the amount of cash and liquid funds kept on hand by 21 an ambulatory currency exchange and shall require it to submit 22 23 such additional policies as are determined to be required within the limits of this Section. No ambulatory currency 24 exchange subject to this Section shall be required to furnish 25 26 more than one policy of insurance if the policy furnished 27 insures it against the foregoing losses at all locations served 28 by it.

Any such policy may contain a condition that the insured 29 30 assumes a portion of the loss, provided the insured shall file 31 with such policy a sworn financial statement indicating its 32 ability to act as self-insurer in the amount of such deductible portion of the policy without prejudice to the safety of any 33 funds belonging to its customers. If the Secretary Director is 34 35 not satisfied as to the financial ability of the ambulatory currency exchange, he may require it to deposit cash or United 36

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- States Government Bonds in the amount of part or all of the
 deductible portion of the policy.
- 3 (Source: P.A. 92-271, eff. 8-7-01.)