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7	For An Act To Be Entitled
8	"AN ACT TO ADD CHAPTER 2A (LEASES) TO THE UNIFORM
9	COMMERCIAL CODE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."
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11	Subtitle
12	"TO ADD CHAPTER 2A (LEASES) TO THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL
13	CODE."
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15	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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17	SECTION 1. Title 4 of the Arkansas Code Annotated is hereby amended by
18	inserting a new Chapter 2A to read as follows:
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20	"CHAPTER 2A
21	LEASES
22	PART 1
23	GENERAL PROVISIONS
24	§4-2A-101. SHORT TITLE.
25	This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the Uniform Commercial
26	Code - Leases.
27	§4-2A-102. SCOPE. This chapter applies to any transaction, regardless
28	of form, that creates a lease.
29	§4-2A-103. DEFINITIONS AND INDEX OF DEFINITIONS.
30	(1) In this chapter unless the context otherwise requires:
31	(a) _Buyer in ordinary course of business_ means a person who in
32	good faith and without knowledge that the sale to him or her is in violation
33	of the ownership rights or security interest or leasehold interest of a third
34	party in the goods, buys in ordinary course from a person in the business of
35	selling goods of that kind but does not include a pawnbrokerBuying_ may be

1 for cash or by exchange of other property or on secured or unsecured credit 2 and includes receiving goods or documents of title under a pre-existing 3 contract for sale but does not include a transfer in bulk or as security for 4 or in total or partial satisfaction of a money debt.

5 (b) _Cancellation_ occurs when either party puts an end to the 6 lease contract for default by the other party.

7 (c) _Commercial unit_ means such a unit of goods as by commercial 8 usage is a single whole for purposes of lease and division of which materially 9 impairs its character or value on the market or in use. A commercial unit may 10 be a single article, as a machine, or a set of articles, as a suite of 11 furniture or a line of machinery, or a quantity, as a gross or carload, or any 12 other unit treated in use or in the relevant market as a single whole.

13 (d) _Conforming_ goods or performance under a lease contract 14 means goods or performance that are in accordance with the obligations under 15 the lease contract.

(e) _Consumer lease_ means a lease that a lessor regularly
engaged in the business of leasing or selling makes to a lessee who is an
individual and who takes under the lease primarily for a personal, family, or
household purpose, if the total payments to be made under the lease contract,
excluding payments for options to renew or buy, do not exceed twenty-five
thousand dollars (\$25,000).

22 (f) _Fault_ means wrongful act, omission, breach, or default. (g) Finance lease means a lease with respect to which: 23 (i) the lessor does not select, manufacture, or supply the 24 25 goods; (ii) the lessor acquires the goods or the right to 26 27 possession and use of the goods in connection with the lease; and (iii) one of the following occurs: 28 (A) the lessee receives a copy of the contract by 29 30 which the lessor acquired the goods or the right to possession and use of the 31 goods before signing the lease contract; (B) the lessee's approval of the contract by which the 32 33 lessor acquired the goods or the right to possession and use of the goods is a 34 condition to effectiveness of the lease contract; (C) the lessee, before signing the lease contract, 35

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1 receives an accurate and complete statement designating the promises and 2 warranties, and any disclaimers of warranties, limitations or modifications of 3 remedies, or liquidated damages, including those of a third party, such as the 4 manufacturer of the goods, provided to the lessor by the person supplying the 5 goods in connection with or as part of the contract by which the lessor 6 acquired the goods or the right to possession and use of the goods; or

7 (D) if the lease is not a consumer lease, the lessor, 8 before the lessee signs the lease contract, informs the lessee in writing (a) 9 of the identity of the person supplying the goods to the lessor, unless the 10 lessee has selected that person and directed the lessor to acquire the goods 11 or the right to possession and use of the goods from that person, (b) that the 12 lessee is entitled under this chapter to the promises and warranties, 13 including those of any third party, provided to the lessor by the person 14 supplying the goods in connection with or as part of the contract by which the 15 lessor acquired the goods or the right to possession and use of the goods, and 16 (c) that the lessee may communicate with the person supplying the goods to the 17 lessor and receive an accurate and complete statement of those promises and 18 warranties, including any disclaimers and limitations of them or of remedies.

(h) _Goods_ means all things that are movable at the time of identification to the lease contract, or are fixtures (Section 4-2A-309), but the term does not include money, documents, instruments, accounts, chattel paper, general intangibles, or minerals or the like, including oil and gas, before extraction. The term also includes the unborn young of animals.

(i) _Installment lease contract_ means a lease contract that authorizes or requires the delivery of goods in separate lots to be separately accepted, even though the lease contract contains a clause _each delivery is a separate lease_ or its equivalent.

(j) _Lease_ means a transfer of the right to possession and use of goods for a term in return for consideration, but a sale, including a sale on approval or a sale or return, or retention or creation of a security interest is not a lease. Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the term includes a sublease.

33 (k) _Lease agreement_ means the bargain, with respect to the 34 lease, of the lessor and the lessee in fact as found in their language or by 35 implication from other circumstances including course of dealing or usage of

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trade or course of performance as provided in this chapter. Unless the
 context clearly indicates otherwise, the term includes a sublease agreement.

3 (1) _Lease contract_ means the total legal obligation that 4 results from the lease agreement as affected by this chapter and any other 5 applicable rules of law. Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the 6 term includes a sublease contract.

7 (m) _Leasehold interest_ means the interest of the lessor or the 8 lessee under a lease contract.

9 (n) _Lessee_ means a person who acquires the right to possession 10 and use of goods under a lease. Unless the context clearly indicates 11 otherwise, the term includes a sublessee.

(o) _Lessee in ordinary course of business_ means a person who in good faith and without knowledge that the lease to him or her is in violation of the ownership rights or security interest or leasehold interest of a third party in the goods leased in ordinary course from a person in the business of selling or leasing goods of that kind but does not include a pawnbroker. Leasing_ may be for cash or by exchange of other property or on secured or unsecured credit and includes receiving goods or documents of title under a pre-existing lease contract but does not include a transfer in bulk or as security for or in total or partial satisfaction of a money debt.

(p) _Lessor_ means a person who transfers the right to possession
and use of goods under a lease. Unless the context clearly indicates
otherwise, the term includes a sublessor.

(q) _Lessor's residual interest_ means the lessor's interest in 25 the goods after expiration, termination, or cancellation of the lease 26 contract.

(r) _Lien_ means a charge against or interest in goods to secure
payment of a debt or performance of an obligation, but the term does not
include a security interest.

30 (s) _Lot_ means a parcel or a single article that is the subject 31 matter of a separate lease or delivery, whether or not it is sufficient to 32 perform the lease contract.

33 (t) _Merchant lessee_ means a lessee that is a merchant with34 respect to goods of the kind subject to the lease.

35 (u) _Present value_ means the amount as of a date certain of one

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1 or more sums payable in the future, discounted to the date certain. The 2 discount is determined by the interest rate specified by the parties if the 3 rate was not manifestly unreasonable at the time the transaction was entered 4 into; otherwise, the discount is determined by a commercially reasonable rate 5 that takes into account the facts and circumstances of each case at the time 6 the transaction was entered into.

7 (v) _Purchase_ includes taking by sale, lease, mortgage, security 8 interest, pledge, gift, or any other voluntary transaction creating an 9 interest in goods.

10(w) _Sublease_ means a lease of goods the right to possession and11 use of which was acquired by the lessor as a lessee under an existing lease.12(x) _Supplier_ means a person from whom a lessor buys or leases

14 (y) _Supply contract_ means a contract under which a lessor buys 15 or leases goods to be leased.

13 goods to be leased under a finance lease.

16 (z) _Termination_ occurs when either party pursuant to a power 17 created by agreement or law puts an end to the lease contract otherwise than 18 for default.

19 (2) Other definitions applying to this chapter and the sections in20 which they appear are:

21 Accessions . Section 4-2A-310(1). 22 Construction mortgage . Section 4-2A-309(1)(d). Encumbrance . Section 4-2A-309(1)(e). 23 Fixtures . Section 4-2A-309(1)(a). 24 25 Fixture filing . Section 4-2A-309(1)(b). _Purchase money lease_. Section 4-2A-309(1)(c). 26 (3) The following definitions in other chapters apply to this chapter: 27 _Accounts_. Section 4-9-106. 28 Between merchants . Section 4-2-104(3). 29 Buyer . Section 4-2-103(1)(a). 30 _Chattel paper_. Section 4-9-105(1)(b). 31 _Consumer goods_. Section 4-9-109(1). 32 33 _Documents_". Section 4-9-105(1)(f). Entrusting . Section 4-2-403(3). 34 General intangibles . Section 4-9-106. 35

1 __Good faith_. Section 4-2-103(1)(b).

- 2 Instrument . Section 4-9-105(1)(i).
- 3 Merchant . Section 4-2-104(1).

4 __Mortgage_. Section 4-9-105(1)(j).

5 Pursuant to commitment . Section 4-9-105(1)(k).

6 _Receipt_. Section 4-2-103(1)(c).

7 Sale . Section 4-2-106(1).

8 Sale on approval . Section 4-2-326.

9 Sale or return . Section 4-2-326.

10 Seller . Section 4-2-103(1)(d).

(4) In addition, chapter 1 (4-1-101 et seq.) contains general
definitions and principles of construction and interpretation applicable
throughout this chapter.

14 §4-2A-104. LEASES SUBJECT TO OTHER LAW.

15 (1) A lease, although subject to this chapter, is also subject to any16 applicable:

17 (a) certificate of title statute of this state, including, but not
18 limited to §§27-14-801 - 27-14-804 concerning the filing of liens and
19 encumbrances on motor vehicles;

20 (b) certificate of title statute of another jurisdiction (Section 21 4-2A-105);

(c) consumer protection statute of this state, or final consumer
 protection decision of a court of this state existing on the effective date of
 this chapter.

25 (d) statute of this state creating conditions for the 26 effectiveness and enforceability of the lease contract, including, but not 27 limited to §§6-62-601 - 6-62-613; 12-8-301 - 12-8-310; 14-16-108 - 14-16-110; 28 14-94-110; 14-138-111; 14-169-1003 and 1011; 14-184-119; 14-219-101; 14-362-29 126; 19-1-213; 22-2-114 and 22-2-115; 22-3-1101; 22-4-105; 22-4-501; 23-11-30 314; 23-112-404; 27-65-114; 28-51-203 and 303; and 28-72-204; or

31 (e) statute of this state dealing with a person_s capacity or32 authority to enter into a lease contract.

(2) In case of conflict between this chapter, other than Sections 4-2A105, 4-2A-304(3), and 4-2A-305(3), and a statute or decision referred to in
subsection (1), the statute or decision controls.

1 (3) Failure to comply with an applicable law has only the effect 2 specified therein.

3 §4-2A-105. TERRITORIAL APPLICATION OF CHAPTER TO GOODS COVERED BY4 CERTIFICATE OF TITLE.

5 Subject to the provisions of Sections 4-2A-304(3) and 4-2A-305(3), with 6 respect to goods covered by a certificate of title issued under a statute of 7 this State or of another jurisdiction, compliance and the effect of compliance 8 or noncompliance with a certificate of title statute are governed by the law 9 (including the conflict of laws rules) of the jurisdiction issuing the 10 certificate until the earlier of (a) surrender of the certificate, or (b) four 11 months after the goods are removed from that jurisdiction and thereafter until 12 a new certificate of title is issued by another jurisdiction.

13 §4-2A-106. LIMITATION ON POWER OF PARTIES TO CONSUMER LEASE TO CHOOSE14 APPLICABLE LAW AND JUDICIAL FORUM.

15 (1) If the law chosen by the parties to a consumer lease is that of a 16 jurisdiction other than a jurisdiction in which the lessee resides at the time 17 the lease agreement becomes enforceable or within thirty (30) days thereafter 18 or in which the goods are to be used, the choice is not enforceable.

19 (2) If the judicial forum chosen by the parties to a consumer lease is 20 a forum that would not otherwise have jurisdiction over the lessee, the choice 21 is not enforceable.

§4-2A-107. WAIVER OR RENUNCIATION OF CLAIM OR RIGHT AFTER DEFAULT.
Any claim or right arising out of an alleged default or breach of
warranty may be discharged in whole or in part without consideration by a
written waiver or renunciation signed and delivered by the aggrieved party.
§4-2A-108. UNCONSCIONABILITY.

(1) If the court as a matter of law finds a lease contract or any clause of a lease contract to have been unconscionable at the time it was made the court may refuse to enforce the lease contract, or it may enforce the remainder of the lease contract without the unconscionable clause, or it may so limit the application of any unconscionable clause as to avoid any unconscionable result.

33 (2) With respect to a consumer lease, if the court as a matter of law 34 finds that a lease contract or any clause of a lease contract has been induced 35 by unconscionable conduct or that unconscionable conduct has occurred in the

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collection of a claim arising from a lease contract, the court may grant
 appropriate relief.

3 (3) Before making a finding of unconscionability under subsection (1) 4 or (2), the court, on its own motion or that of a party, shall afford the 5 parties a reasonable opportunity to present evidence as to the setting, 6 purpose, and effect of the lease contract or clause thereof, or of the 7 conduct.

8 (4) In an action in which the lessee claims unconscionability with 9 respect to a consumer lease:

10 (a) If the court finds unconscionability under subsection (1) or11 (2), the court shall award reasonable attorney's fees to the lessee.

12 (b) If the court does not find unconscionability and the lessee 13 claiming unconscionability has brought or maintained an action he or she knew 14 to be groundless, the court shall award reasonable attorney's fees to the 15 party against whom the claim is made.

16 (c) In determining attorney's fees, the amount of the recovery on
17 behalf of the claimant under subsections (1) and (2) is not controlling.
18 §4-2A-109. OPTION TO ACCELERATE AT WILL.

(1) A term providing that one party or his or her successor in interest may accelerate payment or performance or require collateral or additional collateral _at will_ or _when he or she deems himself or herself insecure_ or in words of similar import must be construed to mean that he or she has power to do so only if he or she in good faith believes that the prospect of payment or performance is impaired.

25 (2) With respect to a consumer lease, the burden of establishing lack 26 of good faith under subsection (1) is on the party who exercised the power; 27 otherwise the burden of establishing lack of good faith is on the party 28 against whom the power has been exercised.

29 30 PART 2. FORMATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF LEASE CONTRACT §4-2A-201. STATUTE OF FRAUDS.

31 (1) A lease contract is not enforceable by way of action or defense 32 unless:

(a) the total payments to be made under the lease contract,
excluding payments for options to renew or buy, are less than one thousand
dollars (\$1,000); or

1 (b) there is a writing, signed by the party against whom 2 enforcement is sought or by that party's authorized agent, sufficient to 3 indicate that a lease contract has been made between the parties and to 4 describe the goods leased and the lease term.

5 (2) Any description of leased goods or of the lease term is sufficient 6 and satisfies subsection (1)(b), whether or not it is specific, if it 7 reasonably identifies what is described.

8 (3) A writing is not insufficient because it omits or incorrectly 9 states a term agreed upon, but the lease contract is not enforceable under 10 subsection (1)(b) beyond the lease term and the quantity of goods shown in the 11 writing.

12 (4) A lease contract that does not satisfy the requirements of 13 subsection (1), but which is valid in other respects, is enforceable:

(a) if the goods are to be specially manufactured or obtained for the lessee and are not suitable for lease or sale to others in the ordinary course of the lessor's business, and the lessor, before notice of repudiation received and under circumstances that reasonably indicate that the goods are for the lessee, has made either a substantial beginning of their manufacture or commitments for their procurement;

20 (b) if the party against whom enforcement is sought admits in that 21 party's pleading, testimony or otherwise in court that a lease contract was 22 made, but the lease contract is not enforceable under this provision beyond 23 the quantity of goods admitted; or

(c) with respect to goods that have been received and accepted bythe lessee.

26 (5) The lease term under a lease contract referred to in subsection (4)27 is:

(a) if there is a writing signed by the party against whom
enforcement is sought or by that party's authorized agent specifying the lease
term, the term so specified;

31 (b) if the party against whom enforcement is sought admits in that 32 party's pleading, testimony, or otherwise in court a lease term, the term so 33 admitted; or

34 (c) a reasonable lease term.

35 §4-2A-202. FINAL WRITTEN EXPRESSION: PAROL OR EXTRINSIC EVIDENCE.

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1 Terms with respect to which the confirmatory memoranda of the parties 2 agree or which are otherwise set forth in a writing intended by the parties as 3 a final expression of their agreement with respect to such terms as are 4 included therein may not be contradicted by evidence of any prior agreement or 5 of a contemporaneous oral agreement but may be explained or supplemented: 6 (a) by course of dealing or usage of trade or by course of performance;

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8 (b) by evidence of consistent additional terms unless the court finds 9 the writing to have been intended also as a complete and exclusive statement 10 of the terms of the agreement.

11 §4-2A-203. SEALS INOPERATIVE.

12 The affixing of a seal to a writing evidencing a lease contract or an 13 offer to enter into a lease contract does not render the writing a sealed 14 instrument and the law with respect to sealed instruments does not apply to 15 the lease contract or offer.

16 §4-2A-204. FORMATION IN GENERAL.

17 (1) A lease contract may be made in any manner sufficient to show18 agreement, including conduct by both parties which recognizes the existence of19 a lease contract.

20 (2) An agreement sufficient to constitute a lease contract may be found 21 although the moment of its making is undetermined.

22 (3) Although one or more terms are left open, a lease contract does not 23 fail for indefiniteness if the parties have intended to make a lease contract 24 and there is a reasonably certain basis for giving an appropriate remedy.

25 §4-2A-205. FIRM OFFERS.

An offer by a merchant to lease goods to or from another person in a signed writing that by its terms gives assurance it will be held open is not revocable, for lack of consideration, during the time stated or, if no time is stated, for a reasonable time, but in no event may the period of irrevocability exceed three (3) months. Any such term of assurance on a form supplied by the offeree must be separately signed by the offeror.

§4-2A-206. OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE IN FORMATION OF LEASE CONTRACT.
(1) Unless otherwise unambiguously indicated by the language or
circumstances, an offer to make a lease contract must be construed as inviting
acceptance in any manner and by any medium reasonable in the circumstances.

1 (2) If the beginning of a requested performance is a reasonable mode of 2 acceptance, an offeror who is not notified of acceptance within a reasonable 3 time may treat the offer as having lapsed before acceptance.

§4-2A-207. COURSE OF PERFORMANCE OR PRACTICAL CONSTRUCTION.

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5 (1) If a lease contract involves repeated occasions for performance by 6 either party with knowledge of the nature of the performance and opportunity 7 for objection to it by the other, any course of performance accepted or 8 acquiesced in without objection is relevant to determine the meaning of the 9 lease agreement.

10 (2) The express terms of a lease agreement and any course of 11 performance, as well as any course of dealing and usage of trade, must be 12 construed whenever reasonable as consistent with each other; but if that 13 construction is unreasonable, express terms control course of performance, 14 course of performance controls both course of dealing and usage of trade, and 15 course of dealing controls usage of trade.

16 (3) Subject to the provisions of Section 4-2A-208 on modification and 17 waiver, course of performance is relevant to show a waiver or modification of 18 any term inconsistent with the course of performance.

19 §4-2A-208. MODIFICATION, RESCISSION AND WAIVER.

20 (1) An agreement modifying a lease contract needs no consideration to21 be binding.

(2) A signed lease agreement that excludes modification or rescission
23 except by a signed writing may not be otherwise modified or rescinded, but,
24 except as between merchants, such a requirement on a form supplied by a
25 merchant must be separately signed by the other party.

26 (3) Although an attempt at modification or rescission does not satisfy27 the requirements of subsection (2), it may operate as a waiver.

(4) A party who has made a waiver affecting an executory portion of a please contract may retract the waiver by reasonable notification received by the other party that strict performance will be required of any term waived, unless the retraction would be unjust in view of a material change of position in reliance on the waiver.

33 §4-2A-209. LESSEE UNDER FINANCE LEASE AS BENEFICIARY OF SUPPLY34 CONTRACT.

35 (1) The benefit of a supplier's promises to the lessor under the supply

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1 contract and of all warranties, whether express or implied, including those of 2 any third party provided in connection with or as part of the supply contract, 3 extends to the lessee to the extent of the lessee's leasehold interest under a 4 finance lease related to the supply contract, but is subject to the terms of 5 the warranty and of the supply contract and all defenses or claims arising 6 therefrom.

7 (2) The extension of the benefit of a supplier's promises and of 8 warranties to the lessee (Section 4-2A-209(1)) does not: (i) modify the rights 9 and obligations of the parties to the supply contract, whether arising 10 therefrom or otherwise, or (ii) impose any duty or liability under the supply 11 contract on the lessee.

12 (3) Any modification or rescission of the supply contract by the 13 supplier and the lessor is effective between the supplier and the lessee 14 unless, before the modification or rescission, the supplier has received 15 notice that the lessee has entered into a finance lease related to the supply 16 contract. If the modification or rescission is effective between the supplier 17 and the lessee, the lessor is deemed to have assumed, in addition to the 18 obligations of the lessor to the lessee under the lease contract, promises of 19 the supplier to the lessor and warranties that were so modified or rescinded 20 as they existed and were available to the lessee before modification or 21 rescission.

(4) In addition to the extension of the benefit of the supplier's promises and of warranties to the lessee under subsection (1), the lessee retains all rights that the lessee may have against the supplier which arise from an agreement between the lessee and the supplier or under other law.

26 §4-2A-210. EXPRESS WARRANTIES.

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(1) Express warranties by the lessor are created as follows:

(a) Any affirmation of fact or promise made by the lessor to the
lessee which relates to the goods and becomes part of the basis of the bargain
creates an express warranty that the goods will conform to the affirmation or
promise.

32 (b) Any description of the goods which is made part of the basis 33 of the bargain creates an express warranty that the goods will conform to the 34 description.

35 (c) Any sample or model that is made part of the basis of the

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bargain creates an express warranty that the whole of the goods will conform
 to the sample or model.

3 (2) It is not necessary to the creation of an express warranty that the 4 lessor use formal words, such as _warrant_ or _guarantee,_ or that the lessor 5 have a specific intention to make a warranty, but an affirmation merely of the 6 value of the goods or a statement purporting to be merely the lessor's opinion 7 or commendation of the goods does not create a warranty.

8 §4-2A-211. WARRANTIES AGAINST INTERFERENCE AND AGAINST INFRINGEMENT;9 LESSEE'S OBLIGATION AGAINST INFRINGEMENT.

10 (1) There is in a lease contract a warranty that for the lease term no 11 person holds a claim to or interest in the goods that arose from an act or 12 omission of the lessor, other than a claim by way of infringement or the like, 13 which will interfere with the lessee's enjoyment of its leasehold interest.

14 (2) Except in a finance lease there is in a lease contract by a lessor 15 who is a merchant regularly dealing in goods of the kind a warranty that the 16 goods are delivered free of the rightful claim of any person by way of 17 infringement or the like.

18 (3) A lessee who furnishes specifications to a lessor or a supplier 19 shall hold the lessor and the supplier harmless against any claim by way of 20 infringement or the like that arises out of compliance with the 21 specifications.

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§4-2A-212. IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY.

(1) Except in a finance lease, a warranty that the goods will be
24 merchantable is implied in a lease contract if the lessor is a merchant with
25 respect to goods of that kind.

26 (2) Goods to be merchantable must be at least such as

(a) pass without objection in the trade under the description inthe lease agreement;

(b) in the case of fungible goods, are of fair average qualitywithin the description;

31 (c) are fit for the ordinary purposes for which goods of that type 32 are used;

(d) run, within the variation permitted by the lease agreement, of
even kind, quality, and quantity within each unit and among all units
involved;

(e) are adequately contained, packaged, and labeled as the lease
 agreement may require; and

3 (f) conform to any promises or affirmations of fact made on the 4 container or label.

5 (3) Other implied warranties may arise from course of dealing or usage 6 of trade.

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§4-2A-213. IMPLIED WARRANTY OF FITNESS FOR PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

8 Except in a finance lease, if the lessor at the time the lease contract 9 is made has reason to know of any particular purpose for which the goods are 10 required and that the lessee is relying on the lessor's skill or judgment to 11 select or furnish suitable goods, there is in the lease contract an implied 12 warranty that the goods will be fit for that purpose.

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§4-2A-214. EXCLUSION OR MODIFICATION OF WARRANTIES.

14 (1) Words or conduct relevant to the creation of an express warranty 15 and words or conduct tending to negate or limit a warranty must be construed 16 wherever reasonable as consistent with each other; but, subject to the 17 provisions of Section 4-2A-202 on parol or extrinsic evidence, negation or 18 limitation is inoperative to the extent that the construction is unreasonable.

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(3) Notwithstanding subsection (2), but subject to subsection (4),

(a) unless the circumstances indicate otherwise, all implied
warranties are excluded by expressions like _as is,_ or _with all faults,_ or
by other language that in common understanding calls the lessee's attention to
the exclusion of warranties and makes plain that there is no implied warranty,
if in writing and conspicuous;

(b) if the lessee before entering into the lease contract has
examined the goods or the sample or model as fully as desired or has refused
to examine the goods, there is no implied warranty with regard to defects that

1 an examination ought in the circumstances to have revealed; and

2 (c) an implied warranty may also be excluded or modified by course 3 of dealing, course of performance, or usage of trade.

4 (4) To exclude or modify a warranty against interference or against 5 infringement (Section 4-2A-211) or any part of it, the language must be 6 specific, be by a writing, and be conspicuous, unless the circumstances, 7 including course of performance, course of dealing, or usage of trade, give 8 the lessee reason to know that the goods are being leased subject to a claim 9 or interest of any person.

§4-2A-215. CUMULATION AND CONFLICT OF WARRANTIES EXPRESS OR IMPLIED.
Warranties, whether express or implied, must be construed as consistent
with each other and as cumulative, but if that construction is unreasonable,
the intention of the parties determines which warranty is dominant. In
ascertaining that intention the following rules apply:

(a) Exact or technical specifications displace an inconsistent sampleor model or general language of description.

17 (b) A sample from an existing bulk displaces inconsistent general18 language of description.

19 (c) Express warranties displace inconsistent implied warranties other20 than an implied warranty of fitness for a particular purpose.

21 §4-2A-216. THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARIES OF EXPRESS AND IMPLIED WARRANTIES.

A warranty to or for the benefit of a lessee under this chapter, whether express or implied, extends to any person who may reasonably be expected to use, consume, or be affected by the goods and who is injured by breach of the warranty. The operation of this section may not be excluded, modified, or limited with respect to injury to the person of an individual to whom the warranty extends, but an exclusion, modification, or limitation of the warranty, including any with respect to rights and remedies, effective against the lessee is also effective against the beneficiary designated under this section.

31 §4-2A-217. IDENTIFICATION. Identification of goods as goods to which a 32 lease contract refers may be made at any time and in any manner explicitly 33 agreed to by the parties. In the absence of explicit agreement, 34 identification occurs:

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(a) when the lease contract is made if the lease contract is for a lease

1 of goods that are existing and identified;

2 (b) when the goods are shipped, marked, or otherwise designated by the 3 lessor as goods to which the lease contract refers, if the lease contract is 4 for a lease of goods that are not existing and identified; or

5 (c) when the young are conceived, if the lease contract is for a lease 6 of unborn young of animals.

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§4-2A-218. INSURANCE AND PROCEEDS.

8 (1) A lessee obtains an insurable interest when existing goods are 9 identified to the lease contract even though the goods identified are 10 nonconforming and the lessee has an option to reject them.

11 (2) If a lessee has an insurable interest only by reason of the 12 lessor's identification of the goods, the lessor, until default or insolvency 13 or notification to the lessee that identification is final, may substitute 14 other goods for those identified.

(3) If a lessee has an insurable interest under subsections (1) and
(2), the lessor retains an insurable interest until an option to buy has been
exercised by the lessee and risk of loss has passed to the lessee.

18 (4) Nothing in this section impairs any insurable interest recognized19 under any other statute or rule of law.

20 (5) The parties by agreement may determine that one or more parties 21 have an obligation to obtain and pay for insurance covering the goods and by 22 agreement may determine the beneficiary of the proceeds of the insurance.

23 §4-2A-219. RISK OF LOSS.

(1) Except in the case of a finance lease, risk of loss is retained by
25 the lessor and does not pass to the lessee. In the case of a finance lease,
26 risk of loss passes to the lessee.

(2) Subject to the provisions of this chapter on the effect of default
on risk of loss (Section 4-2A-220), if risk of loss is to pass to the lessee
and the time of passage is not stated, the following rules apply:

30 (a) If the lease contract requires or authorizes the goods to be31 shipped by carrier

32 (i) and it does not require delivery at a particular33 destination, the risk of loss passes to the lessee when the goods are duly34 delivered to the carrier; but

35 (ii) if it does require delivery at a particular destination

and the goods are there duly tendered while in the possession of the carrier,
 the risk of loss passes to the lessee when the goods are there duly so
 tendered as to enable the lessee to take delivery.

4 (b) If the goods are held by a bailee to be delivered without 5 being moved, the risk of loss passes to the lessee on acknowledgment by the 6 bailee of the lessee's right to possession of the goods.

7 (c) In any case not within subsection (a) or (b), the risk of 8 loss passes to the lessee on the lessee's receipt of the goods if the lessor, 9 or, in the case of a finance lease, the supplier, is a merchant; otherwise the 10 risk passes to the lessee on tender of delivery.

11 §4-2A-220. EFFECT OF DEFAULT ON RISK OF LOSS.

12 (1) Where risk of loss is to pass to the lessee and the time of passage13 is not stated:

14 (a) If a tender or delivery of goods so fails to conform to the 15 lease contract as to give a right of rejection, the risk of their loss remains 16 with the lessor, or, in the case of a finance lease, the supplier, until cure 17 or acceptance.

(b) If the lessee rightfully revokes acceptance, he or she, to
19 the extent of any deficiency in his or her effective insurance coverage, may
20 treat the risk of loss as having remained with the lessor from the beginning.

(2) Whether or not risk of loss is to pass to the lessee, if the lessee as to conforming goods already identified to a lease contract repudiates or is otherwise in default under the lease contract, the lessor, or, in the case of a finance lease, the supplier, to the extent of any deficiency in his or her fective insurance coverage may treat the risk of loss as resting on the lessee for a commercially reasonable time.

27 §4-2A-221. CASUALTY TO IDENTIFIED GOODS.

If a lease contract requires goods identified when the lease contract is made, and the goods suffer casualty without fault of the lessee, the lessor or the supplier before delivery, or the goods suffer casualty before risk of loss passes to the lessee pursuant to the lease agreement or Section 4-2A-219, then:

(a) if the loss is total, the lease contract is avoided; and
(b) if the loss is partial or the goods have so deteriorated as to no
longer conform to the lease contract, the lessee may nevertheless demand

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1 inspection and at his or her option either treat the lease contract as avoided 2 or, except in a finance lease that is not a consumer lease, accept the goods 3 with due allowance from the rent payable for the balance of the lease term for 4 the deterioration or the deficiency in quantity but without further right 5 against the lessor.

6 7 PART 3. EFFECT OF LEASE CONTRACT

§4-2A-301. ENFORCEABILITY OF LEASE CONTRACT.

8 Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a lease contract is 9 effective and enforceable according to its terms between the parties, against 10 purchasers of the goods and against creditors of the parties.

11 §4-2A-302. TITLE TO AND POSSESSION OF GOODS.

Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, each provision of this chapter applies whether the lessor or a third party has title to the goods, and whether the lessor, the lessee, or a third party has possession of the goods, notwithstanding any statute or rule of law that possession or the absence of possession is fraudulent.

17 §4-2A-303. ALIENABILITY OF PARTY'S INTEREST UNDER LEASE CONTRACT OR OF 18 LESSOR'S RESIDUAL INTEREST IN GOODS; DELEGATION OF PERFORMANCE; TRANSFER OF 19 RIGHTS.

(1) As used in this section, _creation of a security interest_ includes
21 the sale of a lease contract that is subject to chapter 9, Secured
22 Transactions, by reason of Section 4-9-102(1)(b).

23 (2) Except as provided in subsections (3) and (4), a provision in a 24 lease agreement which (i) prohibits the voluntary or involuntary transfer, 25 including a transfer by sale, sublease, creation or enforcement of a security 26 interest, or attachment, levy, or other judicial process, of an interest of a 27 party under the lease contract or of the lessor's residual interest in the 28 goods, or (ii) makes such a transfer an event of default, gives rise to the 29 rights and remedies provided in subsection (5), but a transfer that is 30 prohibited or is an event of default under the lease agreement is otherwise 31 effective.

32 (3) A provision in a lease agreement which (i) prohibits the creation 33 or enforcement of a security interest in an interest of a party under the 34 lease contract or in the lessor's residual interest in the goods, or (ii) 35 makes such a transfer an event of default, is not enforceable unless, and then

1 only to the extent that, there is an actual transfer by the lessee of the 2 lessee's right of possession or use of the goods in violation of the provision 3 or an actual delegation of a material performance of either party to the lease 4 contract in violation of the provision. Neither the granting nor the 5 enforcement of a security interest in (i) the lessor's interest under the 6 lease contract or (ii) the lessor's residual interest in the goods is a 7 transfer that materially impairs the prospect of obtaining return performance 8 by, materially changes the duty of, or materially increases the burden or risk 9 imposed on, the lessee within the purview of subsection (5) unless, and then 10 only to the extent that, there is an actual delegation of a material 11 performance of the lessor.

(4) A provision in a lease agreement which (i) prohibits a transfer of a right to damages for default with respect to the whole lease contract or of a right to payment arising out of the transferor's due performance of the transferor's entire obligation, or (ii) makes such a transfer an event of default, is not enforceable, and such a transfer is not a transfer that materially impairs the prospect of obtaining return performance by, materially k changes the duty of, or materially increases the burden or risk imposed on, the other party to the lease contract within the purview of subsection (5).

(a) if a transfer is made which is made an event of default under
a lease agreement, the party to the lease contract not making the transfer,
unless that party waives the default or otherwise agrees, has the rights and
remedies described in Section 4-2A-501(2);

(b) if paragraph (a) is not applicable and if a transfer is made that (i) is prohibited under a lease agreement or (ii) materially impairs the prospect of obtaining return performance by, materially changes the duty of, are materially increases the burden or risk imposed on, the other party to the lease contract, unless the party not making the transfer agrees at any time to the transfer in the lease contract or otherwise, then, except as limited by contract, (i) the transferor is liable to the party not making the transfer for damages caused by the transfer to the extent that the damages could not reasonably be prevented by the party not making the transfer and (ii) a court having jurisdiction may grant other appropriate relief, including cancellation of the lease contract or an injunction against the transfer.

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1 (6) A transfer of _the lease_ or of _all my rights under the lease_, or 2 a transfer in similar general terms, is a transfer of rights and, unless the 3 language or the circumstances, as in a transfer for security, indicate the 4 contrary, the transfer is a delegation of duties by the transferor to the 5 transferee. Acceptance by the transferee constitutes a promise by the 6 transferee to perform those duties. The promise is enforceable by either the 7 transferor or the other party to the lease contract.

8 (7) Unless otherwise agreed by the lessor and the lessee, a delegation 9 of performance does not relieve the transferor as against the other party of 10 any duty to perform or of any liability for default.

11 (8) In a consumer lease, to prohibit the transfer of an interest of a 12 party under the lease contract or to make a transfer an event of default, the 13 language must be specific, by a writing, and conspicuous.

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§4-2A-304. SUBSEQUENT LEASE OF GOODS BY LESSOR.

(1) Subject to Section 4-2A-303, a subsequent lessee from a lessor of goods under an existing lease contract obtains, to the extent of the leasehold interest transferred, the leasehold interest in the goods that the lessor had or had power to transfer, and except as provided in subsection (2) and Section 4-2A-527(4), takes subject to the existing lease contract. A lessor with voidable title has power to transfer a good leasehold interest to a good faith subsequent lessee for value, but only to the extent set forth in the preceding sentence. If goods have been delivered under a transaction of purchase, the lessor has that power even though:

24 (a) the lessor's transferor was deceived as to the identity of the25 lessor;

(b) the delivery was in exchange for a check which is laterdishonored;

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(c) it was agreed that the transaction was to be a _cash sale_; or

29 (d) the delivery was procured through fraud punishable as30 larcenous under the criminal law.

31 (2) A subsequent lessee in the ordinary course of business from a 32 lessor who is a merchant dealing in goods of that kind to whom the goods were 33 entrusted by the existing lessee before the interest of the subsequent lessee 34 became enforceable against that lessor obtains, to the extent of the leasehold 35 interest transferred, all of that lessor's and the existing lessee's rights to

1 the goods, and takes free of the existing lease contract.

2 (3) A subsequent lessee from the lessor of goods that are subject to an 3 existing lease contract and are covered by a certificate of title issued under 4 a statute of this State or of another jurisdiction takes no greater rights 5 than those provided both by this section and by the certificate of title 6 statute.

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§4-2A-305. SALE OR SUBLEASE OF GOODS BY LESSEE.

8 (1) Subject to the provisions of Section 4-2A-303, a buyer or sublessee 9 from the lessee of goods under an existing lease contract obtains, to the 10 extent of the interest transferred, the leasehold interest in the goods that 11 the lessee had or had power to transfer, and except as provided in subsection 12 (2) and Section 4-2A-511(4), takes subject to the existing lease contract. A 13 lessee with a voidable leasehold interest has power to transfer a good 14 leasehold interest to a good faith buyer for value or a good faith sublessee 15 for value, but only to the extent set forth in the preceding sentence. When 16 goods have been delivered under a transaction of lease the lessee has that 17 power even though:

(a) the lessor was deceived as to the identity of the lessee;
(b) the delivery was in exchange for a check which is later
20 dishonored; or

(c) the delivery was procured through fraud punishable aslarcenous under the criminal law.

(2) A buyer in the ordinary course of business or a sublessee in the ordinary course of business from a lessee who is a merchant dealing in goods of that kind to whom the goods were entrusted by the lessor obtains, to the extent of the interest transferred, all of the lessor's and lessee's rights to the goods, and takes free of the existing lease contract.

(3) A buyer or sublessee from the lessee of goods that are subject to an existing lease contract and are covered by a certificate of title issued under a statute of this State or of another jurisdiction takes no greater rights than those provided both by this section and by the certificate of title statute.

§4-2A-306. PRIORITY OF CERTAIN LIENS ARISING BY OPERATION OF LAW.
If a person in the ordinary course of his or her business furnishes
services or materials with respect to goods subject to a lease contract, a

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1 lien upon those goods in the possession of that person given by statute or 2 rule of law for those materials or services takes priority over any interest 3 of the lessor or lessee under the lease contract or this chapter unless the 4 lien is created by statute and the statute provides otherwise or unless the 5 lien is created by rule of law and the rule of law provides otherwise.

6 §4-2A-307. PRIORITY OF LIENS ARISING BY ATTACHMENT OR LEVY ON, SECURITY 7 INTERESTS IN, AND OTHER CLAIMS TO GOODS.

8 (1) Except as otherwise provided in Section 4-2A-306, a creditor of a9 lessee takes subject to the lease contract.

10 (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (3) and (4) and in 11 Sections 4-2A-306 and 4-2A-308, a creditor of a lessor takes subject to the 12 lease contract unless:

13 (a) the creditor holds a lien that attached to the goods before14 the lease contract became enforceable;

15 (b) the creditor holds a security interest in the goods and the 16 lessee did not give value and receive delivery of the goods without knowledge 17 of the security interest; or

18 (c) the creditor holds a security interest in the goods which was19 perfected (Section 4-9-303) before the lease contract became enforceable.

20 (3) A lessee in the ordinary course of business takes the leasehold 21 interest free of a security interest in the goods created by the lessor even 22 though the security interest is perfected (Section 4-9-303) and the lessee 23 knows of its existence.

(4) A lessee other than a lessee in the ordinary course of business takes the leasehold interest free of a security interest to the extent that it secures future advances made after the secured party acquires knowledge of the rease or more than forty-five (45) days after the lease contract becomes enforceable, whichever first occurs, unless the future advances are made pursuant to a commitment entered into without knowledge of the lease and before the expiration of the forty-five (45) day period.

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§4-2A-308. SPECIAL RIGHTS OF CREDITORS.

32 (1) A creditor of a lessor in possession of goods subject to a lease 33 contract may treat the lease contract as void if as against the creditor 34 retention of possession by the lessor is fraudulent under any statute or rule 35 of law, but retention of possession in good faith and current course of trade

by the lessor for a commercially reasonable time after the lease contract
 becomes enforceable is not fraudulent.

3 (2) Nothing in this chapter impairs the rights of creditors of a lessor 4 if the lease contract (a) becomes enforceable, not in current course of trade 5 but in satisfaction of or as security for a pre-existing claim for money, 6 security, or the like, and (b) is made under circumstances which under any 7 statute or rule of law apart from this chapter would constitute the 8 transaction a fraudulent transfer or voidable preference.

9 (3) A creditor of a seller may treat a sale or an identification of 10 goods to a contract for sale as void if as against the creditor retention of 11 possession by the seller is fraudulent under any statute or rule of law, but 12 retention of possession of the goods pursuant to a lease contract entered into 13 by the seller as lessee and the buyer as lessor in connection with the sale or 14 identification of the goods is not fraudulent if the buyer bought for value 15 and in good faith.

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§4-2A-309. LESSOR'S AND LESSEE'S RIGHTS WHEN GOODS BECOME FIXTURES.

17 (1) In this section:

(a) goods are _fixtures_ when they become so related to particularreal estate that an interest in them arises under real estate law;

(b) a _fixture filing_ is the filing, in the office where a mortgage on the real estate would be filed or recorded, of a financing statement covering goods that are or are to become fixtures and conforming to the requirements of Section 4-9-402(5);

(c) a lease is a _purchase money lease_ unless the lessee has
possession or use of the goods or the right to possession or use of the goods
before the lease agreement is enforceable;

(d) a mortgage is a _construction mortgage_ to the extent it secures an obligation incurred for the construction of an improvement on land including the acquisition cost of the land, if the recorded writing so indicates; and

(e) _encumbrance_ includes real estate mortgages and other liens
on real estate and all other rights in real estate that are not ownership
interests.

34 (2) Under this chapter a lease may be of goods that are fixtures or may 35 continue in goods that become fixtures, but no lease exists under this chapter

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1 of ordinary building materials incorporated into an improvement on land.

2 (3) This chapter does not prevent creation of a lease of fixtures3 pursuant to real estate law.

4 (4) The perfected interest of a lessor of fixtures has priority over a 5 conflicting interest of an encumbrancer or owner of the real estate if:

6 (a) the lease is a purchase money lease, the conflicting interest 7 of the encumbrancer or owner arises before the goods become fixtures, the 8 interest of the lessor is perfected by a fixture filing before the goods 9 become fixtures or within ten days thereafter, and the lessee has an interest 10 of record in the real estate or is in possession of the real estate; or

(b) the interest of the lessor is perfected by a fixture filing before the interest of the encumbrancer or owner is of record, the lessor's interest has priority over any conflicting interest of a predecessor in title of the encumbrancer or owner, and the lessee has an interest of record in the real estate or is in possession of the real estate.

16 (5) The interest of a lessor of fixtures, whether or not perfected, has 17 priority over the conflicting interest of an encumbrancer or owner of the real 18 estate if:

(a) the fixtures are readily removable factory or office machines, readily removable equipment that is not primarily used or leased for use in the operation of the real estate, or readily removable replacements of domestic appliances that are goods subject to a consumer lease, and before the goods become fixtures the lease contract is enforceable; or

24 (b) the conflicting interest is a lien on the real estate obtained 25 by legal or equitable proceedings after the lease contract is enforceable; or

26 (c) the encumbrancer or owner has consented in writing to the 27 lease or has disclaimed an interest in the goods as fixtures; or

(d) the lessee has a right to remove the goods as against the
encumbrancer or owner. If the lessee's right to remove terminates, the
priority of the interest of the lessor continues for a reasonable time.

31 (6) Notwithstanding subsection (4)(a) but otherwise subject to 32 subsections (4) and (5), the interest of a lessor of fixtures, including the 33 lessor's residual interest, is subordinate to the conflicting interest of an 34 encumbrancer of the real estate under a construction mortgage recorded before 35 the goods become fixtures if the goods become fixtures before the completion

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of the construction. To the extent given to refinance a construction
 mortgage, the conflicting interest of an encumbrancer of the real estate under
 a mortgage has this priority to the same extent as the encumbrancer of the
 real estate under the construction mortgage.

5 (7) In cases not within the preceding subsections, priority between the 6 interest of a lessor of fixtures, including the lessor's residual interest, 7 and the conflicting interest of an encumbrancer or owner of the real estate 8 who is not the lessee is determined by the priority rules governing 9 conflicting interests in real estate.

(8) If the interest of a lessor of fixtures, including the lessor's 10 11 residual interest, has priority over all conflicting interests of all owners 12 and encumbrancers of the real estate, the lessor or the lessee may (i) on 13 default, expiration, termination, or cancellation of the lease agreement but 14 subject to the lease agreement and this chapter, or (ii) if necessary to 15 enforce other rights and remedies of the lessor or lessee under this chapter, 16 remove the goods from the real estate, free and clear of all conflicting 17 interests of all owners and encumbrancers of the real estate, but the lessor 18 or lessee must reimburse any encumbrancer or owner of the real estate who is 19 not the lessee and who has not otherwise agreed for the cost of repair of any 20 physical injury, but not for any diminution in value of the real estate caused 21 by the absence of the goods removed or by any necessity of replacing them. A 22 person entitled to reimbursement may refuse permission to remove until the 23 party seeking removal gives adequate security for the performance of this 24 obligation.

(9) Even though the lease agreement does not create a security interest, the interest of a lessor of fixtures, including the lessor_s residual interest, is perfected by filing a financing statement as a fixture filing for leased goods that are or are to become fixtures, including the lessor_s residual interest, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the ochapter on Secured Transactions (chapter 9).

§4-2A-310. LESSOR'S AND LESSEE'S RIGHTS WHEN GOODS BECOME ACCESSIONS.
(1) Goods are _accessions_ when they are installed in or affixed to
other goods.

34 (2) The interest of a lessor or a lessee under a lease contract entered35 into before the goods became accessions is superior to all interests in the

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1 whole except as stated in subsection (4).

2 (3) The interest of a lessor or a lessee under a lease contract entered 3 into at the time or after the goods became accessions is superior to all 4 subsequently acquired interests in the whole except as stated in subsection 5 (4) but is subordinate to interests in the whole existing at the time the 6 lease contract was made unless the holders of such interests in the whole have 7 in writing consented to the lease or disclaimed an interest in the goods as 8 part of the whole.

9 (4) The interest of a lessor or a lessee under a lease contract 10 described in subsection (2) or (3) is subordinate to the interest of

(a) a buyer in the ordinary course of business or a lessee in the ordinary course of business of any interest in the whole acquired after the goods became accessions; or

(b) a creditor with a security interest in the whole perfected
before the lease contract was made to the extent that the creditor makes
subsequent advances without knowledge of the lease contract.

17 (5)When under subsections (2) or (3) and (4) a lessor or a lessee of 18 accessions holds an interest that is superior to all interests in the whole, 19 the lessor or the lessee may (a) on default, expiration, termination, or 20 cancellation of the lease contract by the other party but subject to the 21 provisions of the lease contract and this chapter, or (b) if necessary to 22 enforce his or her other rights and remedies under this chapter, remove the 23 goods from the whole, free and clear of all interests in the whole, but he or 24 she must reimburse any holder of an interest in the whole who is not the 25 lessee and who has not otherwise agreed for the cost of repair of any physical 26 injury but not for any diminution in value of the whole caused by the absence 27 of the goods removed or by any necessity for replacing them. A person 28 entitled to reimbursement may refuse permission to remove until the party 29 seeking removal gives adequate security for the performance of this 30 obligation.

§4-2A-311. PRIORITY SUBJECT TO SUBORDINATION.

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32 Nothing in this chapter prevents subordination by agreement by any 33 person entitled to priority.

PART 4. PERFORMANCE OF LEASE CONTRACT:
 REPUDIATED, SUBSTITUTED AND EXCUSED

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§4-2A-401. INSECURITY: ADEQUATE ASSURANCE OF PERFORMANCE.

(1) A lease contract imposes an obligation on each party that the 2 3 other's expectation of receiving due performance will not be impaired.

(2) If reasonable grounds for insecurity arise with respect to the 4 5 performance of either party, the insecure party may demand in writing adequate 6 assurance of due performance. Until the insecure party receives that 7 assurance, if commercially reasonable the insecure party may suspend any 8 performance for which he or she has not already received the agreed return.

9 (3) A repudiation of the lease contract occurs if assurance of due 10 performance adequate under the circumstances of the particular case is not 11 provided to the insecure party within a reasonable time, not to exceed thirty 12 (30) days after receipt of a demand by the other party.

(4) Between merchants, the reasonableness of grounds for insecurity and 13 14 the adequacy of any assurance offered must be determined according to 15 commercial standards.

(5) Acceptance of any nonconforming delivery or payment does not 16 17 prejudice the aggrieved party's right to demand adequate assurance of future 18 performance.

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§4-2A-402. ANTICIPATORY REPUDIATION.

20 If either party repudiates a lease contract with respect to a 21 performance not yet due under the lease contract, the loss of which 22 performance will substantially impair the value of the lease contract to the 23 other, the aggrieved party may:

(a) for a commercially reasonable time, await retraction of 24 25 repudiation and performance by the repudiating party;

(b) make demand pursuant to Section 4-2A-401 and await assurance 26 27 of future performance adequate under the circumstances of the particular case; 28 or

(c) resort to any right or remedy upon default under the lease 29 30 contract or this chapter, even though the aggrieved party has notified the 31 repudiating party that the aggrieved party would await the repudiating party's 32 performance and assurance and has urged retraction. In addition, whether or 33 not the aggrieved party is pursuing one of the foregoing remedies, the 34 aggrieved party may suspend performance or, if the aggrieved party is the 35 lessor, proceed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter on the

lessor's right to identify goods to the lease contract notwithstanding default
 or to salvage unfinished goods (Section 4-2A-524).

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§4-2A-403. RETRACTION OF ANTICIPATORY REPUDIATION.

4 (1) Until the repudiating party's next performance is due, the 5 repudiating party can retract the repudiation unless, since the repudiation, 6 the aggrieved party has cancelled the lease contract or materially changed the 7 aggrieved party's position or otherwise indicated that the aggrieved party 8 considers the repudiation final.

9 (2) Retraction may be by any method that clearly indicates to the 10 aggrieved party that the repudiating party intends to perform under the lease 11 contract and includes any assurance demanded under Section 4-2A-401.

12 (3) Retraction reinstates a repudiating party's rights under a lease13 contract with due excuse and allowance to the aggrieved party for any delay14 occasioned by the repudiation.

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§4-2A-404. SUBSTITUTED PERFORMANCE.

16 (1) If without fault of the lessee, the lessor and the supplier, the 17 agreed berthing, loading, or unloading facilities fail or the agreed type of 18 carrier becomes unavailable or the agreed manner of delivery otherwise becomes 19 commercially impracticable, but a commercially reasonable substitute is 20 available, the substitute performance must be tendered and accepted.

(2) If the agreed means or manner of payment fails because of domestic22 or foreign governmental regulation:

(a) the lessor may withhold or stop delivery or cause the supplier
to withhold or stop delivery unless the lessee provides a means or manner of
payment that is commercially a substantial equivalent; and

26 (b) if delivery has already been taken, payment by the means or in 27 the manner provided by the regulation discharges the lessee's obligation 28 unless the regulation is discriminatory, oppressive, or predatory.

29 §4-2A-405. EXCUSED PERFORMANCE.

30 Subject to Section 4-2A-404 on substituted performance, the following 31 rules apply:

32 (a) Delay in delivery or nondelivery in whole or in part by a lessor or 33 a supplier who complies with paragraphs (b) and (c) is not a default under the 34 lease contract if performance as agreed has been made impracticable by the 35 occurrence of a contingency the nonoccurrence of which was a basic assumption

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on which the lease contract was made or by compliance in good faith with any
 applicable foreign or domestic governmental regulation or order, whether or
 not the regulation or order later proves to be invalid.

4 (b) If the causes mentioned in paragraph (a) affect only part of the 5 lessor's or the supplier's capacity to perform, he or she shall allocate 6 production and deliveries among his or her customers but at his or her option 7 may include regular customers not then under contract for sale or lease as 8 well as his or her own requirements for further manufacture. He or she may so 9 allocate in any manner that is fair and reasonable.

10 (c) The lessor seasonably shall notify the lessee and in the case of a 11 finance lease the supplier seasonably shall notify the lessor and the lessee, 12 if known, that there will be delay or nondelivery and, if allocation is 13 required under paragraph (b), of the estimated quota thus made available for 14 the lessee.

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§4-2A-406. PROCEDURE ON EXCUSED PERFORMANCE.

16 (1) If the lessee receives notification of a material or indefinite 17 delay or an allocation justified under Section 4-2A-405, the lessee may by 18 written notification to the lessor as to any goods involved, and with respect 19 to all of the goods if under an installment lease contract the value of the 20 whole lease contract is substantially impaired (Section 4-2A-510):

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(a) terminate the lease contract (Section 4-2A-505(2)); or

(b) except in a finance lease that is not a consumer lease, modify the lease contract by accepting the available quota in substitution, with due allowance from the rent payable for the balance of the lease term for the beficiency but without further right against the lessor.

26 (2) If, after receipt of a notification from the lessor under Section 27 4-2A-405, the lessee fails so to modify the lease agreement within a 28 reasonable time not exceeding thirty (30) days, the lease contract lapses with 29 respect to any deliveries affected.

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§4-2A-407. IRREVOCABLE PROMISES: FINANCE LEASES.

31 (1) In the case of a finance lease that is not a consumer lease the 32 lessee's promises under the lease contract become irrevocable and independent 33 upon the lessee's acceptance of the goods.

34 (2) A promise that has become irrevocable and independent under35 subsection (1):

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1 (a) is effective and enforceable between the parties, and by or 2 against third parties including assignees of the parties; and

3 (b) is not subject to cancellation, termination, modification, 4 repudiation, excuse, or substitution without the consent of the party to whom 5 the promise runs.

6 (3) This section does not affect the validity under any other law of a 7 covenant in any lease contract making the lessee's promises irrevocable and 8 independent upon the lessee's acceptance of the goods.

PART 5. DEFAULT

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§4-2A-501. DEFAULT: PROCEDURE.

12 (1) Whether the lessor or the lessee is in default under a lease13 contract is determined by the lease agreement and this chapter.

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14 (2) If the lessor or the lessee is in default under the lease contract,
15 the party seeking enforcement has rights and remedies as provided in this
16 chapter and, except as limited by this chapter, as provided in the lease
17 agreement.

18 (3) If the lessor or the lessee is in default under the lease contract, 19 the party seeking enforcement may reduce the party's claim to judgment, or 20 otherwise enforce the lease contract by self-help or any available judicial 21 procedure or nonjudicial procedure, including administrative proceeding, 22 arbitration, or the like, in accordance with this chapter.

(4) Except as otherwise provided in Section 4-1-106(1) or this chapter
or the lease agreement, the rights and remedies referred to in subsections (2)
and (3) are cumulative.

(5) If the lease agreement covers both real property and goods, the party seeking enforcement may proceed under this Part as to the goods, or under other applicable law as to both the real property and the goods in accordance with that party's rights and remedies in respect of the real property, in which case this Part does not apply.

31 §4-2A-502. NOTICE AFTER DEFAULT.

Except as otherwise provided in this chapter or the lease agreement, the Bassor or lessee in default under the lease contract is not entitled to notice default or notice of enforcement from the other party to the lease agreement.

§4-2A-503. MODIFICATION OR IMPAIRMENT OF RIGHTS AND REMEDIES.

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2 (1) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, the lease agreement 3 may include rights and remedies for default in addition to or in substitution 4 for those provided in this chapter and may limit or alter the measure of 5 damages recoverable under this chapter.

6 (2) Resort to a remedy provided under this chapter or in the lease 7 agreement is optional unless the remedy is expressly agreed to be exclusive. 8 If circumstances cause an exclusive or limited remedy to fail of its essential 9 purpose, or provision for an exclusive remedy is unconscionable, remedy may be 10 had as provided in this chapter.

(3) Consequential damages may be liquidated under Section 4-2A-504, or may otherwise be limited, altered, or excluded unless the limitation, alteration, or exclusion is unconscionable. Limitation, alteration, or exclusion of consequential damages for injury to the person in the case of consumer goods is prima facie unconscionable but limitation, alteration, or exclusion of damages where the loss is commercial is not prima facie unconscionable.

18 (4) Rights and remedies on default by the lessor or the lessee with
19 respect to any obligation or promise collateral or ancillary to the lease
20 contract are not impaired by this chapter.

21 §4-2A-504. LIQUIDATION OF DAMAGES.

(1) Damages payable by either party for default, or any other act or omission, including indemnity for loss or diminution of anticipated tax benefits or loss or damage to lessor's residual interest, may be liquidated in the lease agreement but only at an amount or by a formula that is reasonable in light of the then anticipated harm caused by the default or other act or omission.

(2) If the lease agreement provides for liquidation of damages, and
such provision does not comply with subsection (1), or such provision is an
exclusive or limited remedy that circumstances cause to fail of its essential
purpose, remedy may be had as provided in this chapter.

32 (3) If the lessor justifiably withholds or stops delivery of goods
33 because of the lessee's default or insolvency (Section 4-2A-525 or 4-2A-526),
34 the lessee is entitled to restitution of any amount by which the sum of his or
35 her payments exceeds:

(a) the amount to which the lessor is entitled by virtue of terms
 liquidating the lessor's damages in accordance with subsection (1); or

3 (b) in the absence of those terms, 20 percent of the then present 4 value of the total rent the lessee was obligated to pay for the balance of the 5 lease term, or, in the case of a consumer lease, the lesser of such amount or 6 five hundred dollars (\$500).

7 (4) A lessee's right to restitution under subsection (3) is subject to 8 offset to the extent the lessor establishes:

9 (a) a right to recover damages under the provisions of this 10 chapter other than subsection (1); and

(b) the amount or value of any benefits received by the lesseedirectly or indirectly by reason of the lease contract.

13 §4-2A-505. CANCELLATION AND TERMINATION AND EFFECT OF CANCELLATION,14 TERMINATION, RESCISSION, OR FRAUD ON RIGHTS AND REMEDIES.

15 (1) On cancellation of the lease contract, all obligations that are 16 still executory on both sides are discharged, but any right based on prior 17 default or performance survives, and the cancelling party also retains any 18 remedy for default of the whole lease contract or any unperformed balance. 19 (2) On termination of the lease contract, all obligations that are 20 still executory on both sides are discharged but any right based on prior 21 default or performance survives.

(3) Unless the contrary intention clearly appears, expressions of cancellation,__rescission,_ or the like of the lease contract may not be construed as a renunciation or discharge of any claim in damages for an antecedent default.

26 (4) Rights and remedies for material misrepresentation or fraud include27 all rights and remedies available under this chapter for default.

(5) Neither rescission nor a claim for rescission of the lease contract
 nor rejection or return of the goods may bar or be deemed inconsistent with a
 claim for damages or other right or remedy.

31 §4-2A-506. STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS.

32 (1) An action for default under a lease contract, including breach of 33 warranty or indemnity, must be commenced within four (4) years after the cause 34 of action accrued. By the original lease contract the parties may reduce the 35 period of limitation to not less than one year.

1 (2) A cause of action for default accrues when the act or omission on 2 which the default or breach of warranty is based is or should have been 3 discovered by the aggrieved party, or when the default occurs, whichever is 4 later. A cause of action for indemnity accrues when the act or omission on 5 which the claim for indemnity is based is or should have been discovered by 6 the indemnified party, whichever is later.

7 (3) If an action commenced within the time limited by subsection (1) is 8 so terminated as to leave available a remedy by another action for the same 9 default or breach of warranty or indemnity, the other action may be commenced 10 after the expiration of the time limited and within six (6) months after the 11 termination of the first action unless the termination resulted from voluntary 12 discontinuance or from dismissal for failure or neglect to prosecute.

13 (4) This section does not alter the law on tolling of the statute of 14 limitations nor does it apply to causes of action that have accrued before 15 this chapter becomes effective.

§4-2A-507. PROOF OF MARKET, INTENT, TIME AND PLACE.

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17 (1) Damages based on market rent (Section 4-2A-519 or 4-2A-528) are 18 determined according to the rent for the use of the goods concerned for a 19 lease term identical to the remaining lease term of the original lease 20 agreement and prevailing at the times specified in Sections 4-2A-519 and 4-2A-21 528.

(2) If evidence of rent for the use of the goods concerned for a lease term identical to the remaining lease term of the original lease agreement and prevailing at the times or places described in this chapter is not readily available, the rent prevailing within any reasonable time before or after the time described or at any other place or for a different lease term which in commercial judgment or under usage of trade would serve as a reasonable substitute for the one described may be used, making any proper allowance for the difference, including the cost of transporting the goods to or from the other place.

31 (3) Evidence of a relevant rent prevailing at a time or place or for a 32 lease term other than the one described in this chapter offered by one party 33 is not admissible unless and until he or she has given the other party notice 34 the court finds sufficient to prevent unfair surprise.

35 (4) If the prevailing rent or value of any goods regularly leased in

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1 any established market is in issue, reports in official publications or trade 2 journals or in newspapers or periodicals of general circulation published as 3 the reports of that market are admissible in evidence. The circumstances of 4 the preparation of the report may be shown to affect its weight but not its 5 admissibility.

B. DEFAULT BY LESSOR

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§4-2A-508. LESSEE'S REMEDIES.

8 (1) If a lessor fails to deliver the goods in conformity to the lease 9 contract (Section 4-2A-509) or repudiates the lease contract (Section 4-10 2A-402), or a lessee rightfully rejects the goods (Section 4-2A-509) or 11 justifiably revokes acceptance of the goods (Section 4-2A-517), then with 12 respect to any goods involved, and with respect to all of the goods if under 13 an installment lease contract the value of the whole lease contract is 14 substantially impaired (Section 4-2A-510), the lessor is in default under the 15 lease contract and the lessee may:

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(a) cancel the lease contract (Section 4-2A-505(1));

17 (b) recover so much of the rent and security as has been paid and18 is just under the circumstances;

(c) cover and recover damages as to all goods affected whether or not they have been identified to the lease contract (Sections 4-2A-518 and 4-21 2A-520), or recover damages for nondelivery (Sections 4-2A-519 and 4-2A-520);

(d) exercise any other rights or pursue any other remediesprovided in the lease contract.

(2) If a lessor fails to deliver the goods in conformity to the leasecontract or repudiates the lease contract, the lessee may also:

26 (a) if the goods have been identified, recover them (Section 4-27 2A-522); or

(b) in a proper case, obtain specific performance or replevy thegoods (Section 4-2A-521).

30 (3) If a lessor is otherwise in default under a lease contract, the 31 lessee may exercise the rights and pursue the remedies provided in the lease 32 contract, which may include a right to cancel the lease, and in Section 4-33 2A-519(3).

34 (4) If a lessor has breached a warranty, whether express or implied,35 the lessee may recover damages (Section 4-2A-519(4)).

1 (5) On rightful rejection or justifiable revocation of acceptance, a 2 lessee has a security interest in goods in the lessee's possession or control 3 for any rent and security that has been paid and any expenses reasonably 4 incurred in their inspection, receipt, transportation, and care and custody 5 and may hold those goods and dispose of them in good faith and in a 6 commercially reasonable manner, subject to Section 4-2A-527(5).

7 (6) Subject to the provisions of Section 4-2A-407, a lessee, on 8 notifying the lessor of the lessee's intention to do so, may deduct all or any 9 part of the damages resulting from any default under the lease contract from 10 any part of the rent still due under the same lease contract.

11 §4-2A-509. LESSEE'S RIGHTS ON IMPROPER DELIVERY; RIGHTFUL REJECTION. 12 (1) Subject to the provisions of Section 4-2A-510 on default in 13 installment lease contracts, if the goods or the tender or delivery fail in 14 any respect to conform to the lease contract, the lessee may reject or accept 15 the goods or accept any commercial unit or units and reject the rest of the 16 goods.

17 (2) Rejection of goods is ineffective unless it is within a reasonable
18 time after tender or delivery of the goods and the lessee seasonably notifies
19 the lessor.

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§4-2A-510. INSTALLMENT LEASE CONTRACTS: REJECTION AND DEFAULT.

(1) Under an installment lease contract a lessee may reject any delivery that is nonconforming if the nonconformity substantially impairs the value of that delivery and cannot be cured or the nonconformity is a defect in the required documents; but if the nonconformity does not fall within subsection (2) and the lessor or the supplier gives adequate assurance of its cure, the lessee must accept that delivery.

27 (2) Whenever nonconformity or default with respect to one or more 28 deliveries substantially impairs the value of the installment lease contract 29 as a whole there is a default with respect to the whole. But, the aggrieved 30 party reinstates the installment lease contract as a whole if the aggrieved 31 party accepts a nonconforming delivery without seasonably notifying of 32 cancellation or brings an action with respect only to past deliveries or 33 demands performance as to future deliveries.

34 §4-2A-511. MERCHANT LESSEE'S DUTIES AS TO RIGHTFULLY REJECTED GOODS.
35 (1) Subject to any security interest of a lessee (Section 4-2A-508(5)),

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1 if a lessor or a supplier has no agent or place of business at the market of 2 rejection, a merchant lessee, after rejection of goods in his or her 3 possession or control, shall follow any reasonable instructions received from 4 the lessor or the supplier with respect to the goods. In the absence of those 5 instructions, a merchant lessee shall make reasonable efforts to sell, lease, 6 or otherwise dispose of the goods for the lessor's account if they threaten to 7 decline in value speedily. Instructions are not reasonable if on demand 8 indemnity for expenses is not forthcoming.

9 (2) If a merchant lessee (subsection (1)) or any other lessee (Section 10 4-2A-512) disposes of goods, he or she is entitled to reimbursement either 11 from the lessor or the supplier or out of the proceeds for reasonable expenses 12 of caring for and disposing of the goods and, if the expenses include no 13 disposition commission, to such commission as is usual in the trade, or if 14 there is none, to a reasonable sum not exceeding 10 percent of the gross 15 proceeds.

16 (3) In complying with this section or Section 4-2A-512, the lessee is 17 held only to good faith. Good faith conduct hereunder is neither acceptance 18 or conversion nor the basis of an action for damages.

19 (4) A purchaser who purchases in good faith from a lessee pursuant to 20 this section or Section 4-2A-512 takes the goods free of any rights of the 21 lessor and the supplier even though the lessee fails to comply with one or 22 more of the requirements of this chapter.

§4-2A-512. LESSEE'S DUTIES AS TO RIGHTFULLY REJECTED GOODS.

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(1) Except as otherwise provided with respect to goods that threaten to
25 decline in value speedily (Section 4-2A-511) and subject to any security
26 interest of a lessee (Section 4-2A-508(5)):

(a) the lessee, after rejection of goods in the lessee's
possession, shall hold them with reasonable care at the lessor's or the
supplier's disposition for a reasonable time after the lessee's seasonable
notification of rejection;

31 (b) if the lessor or the supplier gives no instructions within a 32 reasonable time after notification of rejection, the lessee may store the 33 rejected goods for the lessor's or the supplier's account or ship them to the 34 lessor or the supplier or dispose of them for the lessor's or the supplier's 35 account with reimbursement in the manner provided in Section 4-2A-511; but

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(c) the lessee has no further obligations with regard to goods
 rightfully rejected.

3 (2) Action by the lessee pursuant to subsection (1) is not acceptance 4 or conversion.

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§4-2A-513. CURE BY LESSOR OF IMPROPER TENDER OR DELIVERY; REPLACEMENT.

6 (1) If any tender or delivery by the lessor or the supplier is rejected 7 because nonconforming and the time for performance has not yet expired, the 8 lessor or the supplier may seasonably notify the lessee of the lessor's or the 9 supplier's intention to cure and may then make a conforming delivery within 10 the time provided in the lease contract.

11 (2) If the lessee rejects a nonconforming tender that the lessor or the 12 supplier had reasonable grounds to believe would be acceptable with or without 13 money allowance, the lessor or the supplier may have a further reasonable time 14 to substitute a conforming tender if he or she seasonably notifies the lessee. 15 §4-2A-514. WAIVER OF LESSEE'S OBJECTIONS.

16 (1) In rejecting goods, a lessee's failure to state a particular defect 17 that is ascertainable by reasonable inspection precludes the lessee from 18 relying on the defect to justify rejection or to establish default:

(a) if, stated seasonably, the lessor or the supplier could havecured it (Section 4-2A-513); or

(b) between merchants if the lessor or the supplier after
rejection has made a request in writing for a full and final written statement
of all defects on which the lessee proposes to rely.

(2) A lessee's failure to reserve rights when paying rent or other
consideration against documents precludes recovery of the payment for defects
apparent on the face of the documents.

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§4-2A-515. ACCEPTANCE OF GOODS.

28 (1) Acceptance of goods occurs after the lessee has had a reasonable29 opportunity to inspect the goods and

30 (a) the lessee signifies or acts with respect to the goods in a
31 manner that signifies to the lessor or the supplier that the goods are
32 conforming or that the lessee will take or retain them in spite of their
33 nonconformity; or

34 (b) the lessee fails to make an effective rejection of the goods35 (Section 4-2A-509(2)).

1 (2) Acceptance of a part of any commercial unit is acceptance of that 2 entire unit.

§4-2A-516. EFFECT OF ACCEPTANCE OF GOODS; NOTICE OF DEFAULT; BURDEN OF
4 ESTABLISHING DEFAULT AFTER ACCEPTANCE; NOTICE OF CLAIM OR LITIGATION TO PERSON
5 ANSWERABLE OVER.

6 (1) A lessee must pay rent for any goods accepted in accordance with 7 the lease contract, with due allowance for goods rightfully rejected or not 8 delivered.

9 (2) A lessee's acceptance of goods precludes rejection of the goods 10 accepted. In the case of a finance lease, if made with knowledge of a 11 nonconformity, acceptance cannot be revoked because of it. In any other case, 12 if made with knowledge of a nonconformity, acceptance cannot be revoked 13 because of it unless the acceptance was on the reasonable assumption that the 14 nonconformity would be seasonably cured. Acceptance does not of itself impair 15 any other remedy provided by this chapter or the lease agreement for 16 nonconformity.

17 (3) If a tender has been accepted:

(a) within a reasonable time after the lessee discovers or should
have discovered any default, the lessee shall notify the lessor and the
supplier, if any, or be barred from any remedy against the party not notified;

(b) except in the case of a consumer lease, within a reasonable time after the lessee receives notice of litigation for infringement or the like (Section 4-2A-211) the lessee shall notify the lessor or be barred from any remedy over for liability established by the litigation; and

(c) the burden is on the lessee to establish any default.
(4) If a lessee is sued for breach of a warranty or other obligation
for which a lessor or a supplier is answerable over the following apply:

(a) The lessee may give the lessor or the supplier, or both,
written notice of the litigation. If the notice states that the person
notified may come in and defend and that if the person notified does not do so
that person will be bound in any action against that person by the lessee by
any determination of fact common to the two litigations, then unless the
person notified after seasonable receipt of the notice does come in and defend
that person is so bound.

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(b) The lessor or the supplier may demand in writing that the

1 lessee turn over control of the litigation including settlement if the claim
2 is one for infringement or the like (Section 4-2A-211) or else be barred from
3 any remedy over. If the demand states that the lessor or the supplier agrees
4 to bear all expense and to satisfy any adverse judgment, then unless the
5 lessee after seasonable receipt of the demand does turn over control the
6 lessee is so barred.

7 (5) Subsections (3) and (4) apply to any obligation of a lessee to hold 8 the lessor or the supplier harmless against infringement or the like (Section 9 4-2A-211).

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§4-2A-517. REVOCATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF GOODS.

11 (1) A lessee may revoke acceptance of a lot or commercial unit whose 12 nonconformity substantially impairs its value to the lessee if the lessee has 13 accepted it:

(a) except in the case of a finance lease, on the reasonable
assumption that its nonconformity would be cured and it has not been
seasonably cured; or

(b) without discovery of the nonconformity if the lessee's
acceptance was reasonably induced either by the lessor's assurances or, except
in the case of a finance lease, by the difficulty of discovery before
acceptance.

(2) Except in the case of a finance lease that is not a consumer lease,
a lessee may revoke acceptance of a lot or commercial unit if the lessor
defaults under the lease contract and the default substantially impairs the
value of that lot or commercial unit to the lessee.

(3) If the lease agreement so provides, the lessee may revoke
acceptance of a lot or commercial unit because of other defaults by the
lessor.

(4) Revocation of acceptance must occur within a reasonable time after phase discovers or should have discovered the ground for it and before any substantial change in condition of the goods which is not caused by the nonconformity. Revocation is not effective until the lessee notifies the lessor.

33 (5) A lessee who so revokes has the same rights and duties with regard34 to the goods involved as if the lessee had rejected them.

35 §4-2A-518. COVER; SUBSTITUTE GOODS.

1 (1) After a default by a lessor under the lease contract of the type 2 described in Section 4-2A-508(1), or, if agreed, after other default by the 3 lessor, the lessee may cover by making any purchase or lease of or contract to 4 purchase or lease goods in substitution for those due from the lessor.

5 (2) Except as otherwise provided with respect to damages liquidated in 6 the lease agreement (Section 4-2A-504) or otherwise determined pursuant to 7 agreement of the parties (Sections 4-1-102(3) and 4-2A-503), if a lessee's 8 cover is by a lease agreement substantially similar to the original lease 9 agreement and the new lease agreement is made in good faith and in a 10 commercially reasonable manner, the lessee may recover from the lessor as 11 damages (i) the present value, as of the date of the commencement of the term 12 of the new lease agreement, of the rent under the new lease agreement 13 applicable to that period of the new lease term which is comparable to the 14 then remaining term of the original lease agreement minus the present value as 15 of the same date of the total rent for the then remaining lease term of the 16 original lease agreement, and (ii) any incidental or consequential damages, 17 less expenses saved in consequence of the lessor's default.

18 (3) If a lessee's cover is by lease agreement that for any reason does 19 not qualify for treatment under subsection (2), or is by purchase or 20 otherwise, the lessee may recover from the lessor as if the lessee had elected 21 not to cover and Section 4-2A-519 governs.

§4-2A-519. LESSEE'S DAMAGES FOR NON-DELIVERY, REPUDIATION, DEFAULT, AND
 BREACH OF WARRANTY IN REGARD TO ACCEPTED GOODS.

(1) Except as otherwise provided with respect to damages liquidated in the lease agreement (Section 4-2A-504) or otherwise determined pursuant to agreement of the parties (Sections 4-1-102(3) and 4-2A-503), if a lessee elects not to cover or a lessee elects to cover and the cover is by lease agreement that for any reason does not qualify for treatment under Section 4-22A-518(2), or is by purchase or otherwise, the measure of damages for nondelivery or repudiation by the lessor or for rejection or revocation of acceptance by the lessee is the present value, as of the date of the default, of the then market rent minus the present value as of the same date of the agreement, together with incidental and consequential damages, less expenses saved in consequence of the lessor's default.

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1 (2) Market rent is to be determined as of the place for tender or, in 2 cases of rejection after arrival or revocation of acceptance, as of the place 3 of arrival.

4 (3) Except as otherwise agreed, if the lessee has accepted goods and 5 given notification (Section 4-2A-516(3)), the measure of damages for non-6 conforming tender or delivery or other default by a lessor is the loss 7 resulting in the ordinary course of events from the lessor's default as 8 determined in any manner that is reasonable together with incidental and 9 consequential damages, less expenses saved in consequence of the lessor's 10 default.

(4) Except as otherwise agreed, the measure of damages for breach of warranty is the present value at the time and place of acceptance of the difference between the value of the use of the goods accepted and the value if they had been as warranted for the lease term, unless special circumstances show proximate damages of a different amount, together with incidental and consequential damages, less expenses saved in consequence of the lessor's default or breach of warranty.

18 §4-2A-520. LESSEE'S INCIDENTAL AND CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.

(1) Incidental damages resulting from a lessor's default include expenses reasonably incurred in inspection, receipt, transportation, and care and custody of goods rightfully rejected or goods the acceptance of which is justifiably revoked, any commercially reasonable charges, expenses or commissions in connection with effecting cover, and any other reasonable expense incident to the default.

(2) Consequential damages resulting from a lessor's default include:
 (a) any loss resulting from general or particular requirements and
 27 needs of which the lessor at the time of contracting had reason to know and
 28 which could not reasonably be prevented by cover or otherwise; and

(b) injury to person or property proximately resulting from any30 breach of warranty.

31 §4-2A-521. LESSEE'S RIGHT TO SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE OR REPLEVIN.

32 (1) Specific performance may be decreed if the goods are unique or in33 other proper circumstances.

34 (2) A decree for specific performance may include any terms and35 conditions as to payment of the rent, damages, or other relief that the court

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1 deems just.

2 (3) A lessee has a right of replevin, detinue, sequestration, claim and 3 delivery, or the like for goods identified to the lease contract if after 4 reasonable effort the lessee is unable to effect cover for those goods or the 5 circumstances reasonably indicate that the effort will be unavailing.

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§4-2A-522. LESSEE'S RIGHT TO GOODS ON LESSOR'S INSOLVENCY.

7 (1) Subject to subsection (2) and even though the goods have not been 8 shipped, a lessee who has paid a part or all of the rent and security for 9 goods identified to a lease contract (Section 4-2A-217) on making and keeping 10 good a tender of any unpaid portion of the rent and security due under the 11 lease contract may recover the goods identified from the lessor if the lessor 12 becomes insolvent within ten (10) days after receipt of the first installment 13 of rent and security.

14 (2) A lessee acquires the right to recover goods identified to a lease15 contract only if they conform to the lease contract.

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C. DEFAULT BY LESSEE

17 §4-2A-523. LESSOR'S REMEDIES.

18 (1) If a lessee wrongfully rejects or revokes acceptance of goods or 19 fails to make a payment when due or repudiates with respect to a part or the 20 whole, then, with respect to any goods involved, and with respect to all of 21 the goods if under an installment lease contract the value of the whole lease 22 contract is substantially impaired (Section 4-2A-510), the lessee is in 23 default under the lease contract and the lessor may:

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(a) cancel the lease contract (Section 4-2A-505(1));

(b) proceed respecting goods not identified to the lease contract
(Section 4-2A-524);

(c) withhold delivery of the goods and take possession of goods
previously delivered (Section 4-2A-525);

(d) stop delivery of the goods by any bailee (Section 4-2A-526);
(e) dispose of the goods and recover damages (Section 4-2A-527),
or retain the goods and recover damages (Section 4-2A-528), or in a proper
case recover rent (Section 4-2A-529);

(f) exercise any other rights or pursue any other remediesprovided in the lease contract.

35 (2) If a lessor does not fully exercise a right or obtain a remedy to

which the lessor is entitled under subsection (1), the lessor may recover the
 loss resulting in the ordinary course of events from the lessee's default as
 determined in any reasonable manner, together with incidental damages, less
 expenses saved in consequence of the lessee's default.

5 (3) If a lessee is otherwise in default under a lease contract, the 6 lessor may exercise the rights and pursue the remedies provided in the lease 7 contract, which may include a right to cancel the lease. In addition, unless 8 otherwise provided in the lease contract:

9 (a) if the default substantially impairs the value of the lease 10 contract to the lessor, the lessor may exercise the rights and pursue the 11 remedies provided in subsections (1) or (2); or

(b) if the default does not substantially impair the value of the
lease contract to the lessor, the lessor may recover as provided in subsection
(2).

15 §4-2A-524. LESSOR'S RIGHT TO IDENTIFY GOODS TO LEASE CONTRACT.

16 (1) After default by the lessee under the lease contract of the type
17 described in Section 4-2A-523(1) or Section 4-2A-523(3)(a) or, if agreed,
18 after other default by the lessee, the lessor may:

(a) identify to the lease contract conforming goods not already
identified if at the time the lessor learned of the default they were in the
lessor's or the supplier's possession or control; and

(b) dispose of goods (Section 4-2A-527(1)) that demonstrably have
been intended for the particular lease contract even though those goods are
unfinished.

25 (2) If the goods are unfinished, in the exercise of reasonable 26 commercial judgment for the purposes of avoiding loss and of effective 27 realization, an aggrieved lessor or the supplier may either complete 28 manufacture and wholly identify the goods to the lease contract or cease 29 manufacture and lease, sell, or otherwise dispose of the goods for scrap or 30 salvage value or proceed in any other reasonable manner.

31 §4-2A-525. LESSOR'S RIGHT TO POSSESSION OF GOODS.

32 (1) If a lessor discovers the lessee to be insolvent, the lessor may33 refuse to deliver the goods.

34 (2) After a default by the lessee under the lease contract of the type 35 described in Section 4-2A-523(1) or 4-2A-523(3)(a) or, if agreed, after other

1 default by the lessee, the lessor has the right to take possession of the 2 goods. If the lease contract so provides, the lessor may require the lessee 3 to assemble the goods and make them available to the lessor at a place to be 4 designated by the lessor which is reasonably convenient to both parties. 5 Without removal, the lessor may render unusable any goods employed in trade or 6 business, and may dispose of goods on the lessee's premises (Section 4-7 2A-527).

8 (3) The lessor may proceed under subsection (2) without judicial 9 process if it can be done without breach of the peace or the lessor may 10 proceed by action.

11 §4-2A-526. LESSOR'S STOPPAGE OF DELIVERY IN TRANSIT OR OTHERWISE. 12 (1) A lessor may stop delivery of goods in the possession of a carrier 13 or other bailee if the lessor discovers the lessee to be insolvent and may 14 stop delivery of carload, truckload, planeload, or larger shipments of express 15 or freight if the lessee repudiates or fails to make a payment due before 16 delivery, whether for rent, security or otherwise under the lease contract, or 17 for any other reason the lessor has a right to withhold or take possession of 18 the goods.

19 (2) In pursuing its remedies under subsection (1), the lessor may stop 20 delivery until

(a) receipt of the goods by the lessee;

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(b) acknowledgment to the lessee by any bailee of the goods,except a carrier, that the bailee holds the goods for the lessee; or

24 (c) such an acknowledgment to the lessee by a carrier via25 reshipment or as warehouseman.

26 (3)(a) To stop delivery, a lessor shall so notify as to enable the27 bailee by reasonable diligence to prevent delivery of the goods.

(b) After notification, the bailee shall hold and deliver the
29 goods according to the directions of the lessor, but the lessor is liable to
30 the bailee for any ensuing charges or damages.

31 (c) A carrier who has issued a nonnegotiable bill of lading is 32 not obliged to obey a notification to stop received from a person other than 33 the consignor.

34 §4-2A-527. LESSOR'S RIGHTS TO DISPOSE OF GOODS.

35 (1) After a default by a lessee under the lease contract of the type

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1 described in Section 4-2A-523(1) or 4-2A-523(3)(a) or after the lessor refuses 2 to deliver or takes possession of goods (Section 4-2A-525 or 4-2A-526), or, if 3 agreed, after other default by a lessee, the lessor may dispose of the goods 4 concerned or the undelivered balance thereof by lease, sale, or otherwise.

(2) Except as otherwise provided with respect to damages liquidated in 5 6 the lease agreement (Section 4-2A-504) or otherwise determined pursuant to 7 agreement of the parties (Sections 4-1-102(3) and 4-2A-503), if the 8 disposition is by lease agreement substantially similar to the original lease 9 agreement and the new lease agreement is made in good faith and in a 10 commercially reasonable manner, the lessor may recover from the lessee as 11 damages (i) accrued and unpaid rent as of the date of the commencement of the 12 term of the new lease agreement, (ii) the present value, as of the same date, of the total rent for the then remaining lease term of the original lease 13 14 agreement minus the present value, as of the same date, of the rent under the 15 new lease agreement applicable to that period of the new lease term which is 16 comparable to the then remaining term of the original lease agreement, and 17 (iii) any incidental damages allowed under Section 4-2A-530, less expenses 18 saved in consequence of the lessee's default.

19 (3) If the lessor's disposition is by lease agreement that for any 20 reason does not qualify for treatment under subsection (2), or is by sale or 21 otherwise, the lessor may recover from the lessee as if the lessor had elected 22 not to dispose of the goods and Section 4-2A-528 governs.

(4) A subsequent buyer or lessee who buys or leases from the lessor in good faith for value as a result of a disposition under this section takes the goods free of the original lease contract and any rights of the original lessee even though the lessor fails to comply with one or more of the requirements of this chapter.

(5) The lessor is not accountable to the lessee for any profit made on any disposition. A lessee who has rightfully rejected or justifiably revoked acceptance shall account to the lessor for any excess over the amount of the lessee's security interest (Section 4-2A-508(5)).

32 §4-2A-528. LESSOR'S DAMAGES FOR NON-ACCEPTANCE, FAILURE TO PAY,33 REPUDIATION, OR OTHER DEFAULT.

34 (1) Except as otherwise provided with respect to damages liquidated in35 the lease agreement (Section 4-2A-504) or otherwise determined pursuant to

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1 agreement of the parties (Sections 4-1-102(3) and 4-2A-503), if a lessor 2 elects to retain the goods or a lessor elects to dispose of the goods and the 3 disposition is by lease agreement that for any reason does not qualify for 4 treatment under Section 4-2A-527(2), or is by sale or otherwise, the lessor 5 may recover from the lessee as damages for a default of the type described in 6 Section 4-2A-523(1) or 4-2A-523(3)(a), or, if agreed, for other default of the 7 lessee, (i) accrued and unpaid rent as of the date of default if the lessee 8 has never taken possession of the goods, or, if the lessee has taken 9 possession of the goods, as of the date the lessor repossesses the goods or an 10 earlier date on which the lessee makes a tender of the goods to the lessor, 11 (ii) the present value as of the date determined under clause (i) of the total 12 rent for the then remaining lease term of the original lease agreement minus 13 the present value as of the same date of the market rent at the place computed 14 for the same lease term, and (iii) any incidental damages allowed under 15 Section 4-2A-530, less expenses saved in consequence of the lessee's default.

16 (2) If the measure of damages provided in subsection (1) is inadequate 17 to put a lessor in as good a position as performance would have, the measure 18 of damages is the present value of the profit, including reasonable overhead, 19 the lessor would have made from full performance by the lessee, together with 20 any incidental damages allowed under Section 4-2A-530, due allowance for costs 21 reasonably incurred and due credit for payments or proceeds of disposition. 22

§4-2A-529. LESSOR'S ACTION FOR THE RENT.

(1) After default by the lessee under the lease contract of the type 23 24 described in Section 4-2A-523(1) or 4-2A-523(3)(a) or, if agreed, after other 25 default by the lessee, if the lessor complies with subsection (2), the lessor 26 may recover from the lessee as damages:

(a) for goods accepted by the lessee and not repossessed by or 27 28 tendered to the lessor, and for conforming goods lost or damaged within a 29 commercially reasonable time after risk of loss passes to the lessee (Section 30 4-2A-219), (i) accrued and unpaid rent as of the date of entry of judgment in 31 favor of the lessor, (ii) the present value as of the same date of the rent 32 for the then remaining lease term of the lease agreement, and (iii) any 33 incidental damages allowed under Section 4-2A-530, less expenses saved in 34 consequence of the lessee's default; and

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(b) for goods identified to the lease contract if the lessor is

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1 unable after reasonable effort to dispose of them at a reasonable price or the 2 circumstances reasonably indicate that effort will be unavailing, (i) accrued 3 and unpaid rent as of the date of entry of judgment in favor of the lessor, 4 (ii) the present value as of the same date of the rent for the then remaining 5 lease term of the lease agreement, and (iii) any incidental damages allowed 6 under Section 4-2A-530, less expenses saved in consequence of the lessee's 7 default.

8 (2) Except as provided in subsection (3), the lessor shall hold for the 9 lessee for the remaining lease term of the lease agreement any goods that have 10 been identified to the lease contract and are in the lessor's control.

11 (3) The lessor may dispose of the goods at any time before collection 12 of the judgment for damages obtained pursuant to subsection (1). If the 13 disposition is before the end of the remaining lease term of the lease 14 agreement, the lessor's recovery against the lessee for damages is governed by 15 Section 4-2A-527 or Section 4-2A-528, and the lessor will cause an appropriate 16 credit to be provided against a judgment for damages to the extent that the 17 amount of the judgment exceeds the recovery available pursuant to Section 4-18 2A-527 or 4-2A-528.

(4) Payment of the judgment for damages obtained pursuant to subsection (1) entitles the lessee to the use and possession of the goods not then disposed of for the remaining lease term of and in accordance with the lease agreement.

(5) After default by the lessee under the lease contract of the type
described in Section 4-2A-523(1) or Section 4-2A-523(3)(a) or, if agreed,
after other default by the lessee, a lessor who is held not entitled to rent
under this section must nevertheless be awarded damages for non-acceptance
under Section 4-2A-527 or Section 4-2A-528.

28 §4-2A-530. LESSOR'S INCIDENTAL DAMAGES.

Incidental damages to an aggrieved lessor include any commercially reasonable charges, expenses, or commissions incurred in stopping delivery, in the transportation, care and custody of goods after the lessee's default, in connection with return or disposition of the goods, or otherwise resulting from the default.

34 §4-2A-531. STANDING TO SUE THIRD PARTIES FOR INJURY TO GOODS.
35 (1) If a third party so deals with goods that have been identified to a

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lease contract as to cause actionable injury to a party to the lease contract
 (a) the lessor has a right of action against the third party, and (b) the
 lessee also has a right of action against the third party if the lessee:

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(i) has a security interest in the goods;

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(ii) has an insurable interest in the goods; or

6 (iii) bears the risk of loss under the lease contract or has since 7 the injury assumed that risk as against the lessor and the goods have been 8 converted or destroyed.

9 (2) If at the time of the injury the party plaintiff did not bear the 10 risk of loss as against the other party to the lease contract and there is no 11 arrangement between them for disposition of the recovery, his or her suit or 12 settlement, subject to his or her own interest, is as a fiduciary for the 13 other party to the lease contract.

14 (3) Either party with the consent of the other may sue for the benefit15 of whom it may concern.

16 §4-2A-532. LESSOR'S RIGHTS TO RESIDUAL INTEREST.

In addition to any other recovery permitted by this chapter or other law, the lessor may recover from the lessee an amount that will fully ocmpensate the lessor for any loss of or damage to the lessor's residual interest in the goods caused by the default of the lessee."

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22 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Annotated §4-1-105 is hereby amended to read 23 as follows:

24 "§4-1-105. TERRITORIAL APPLICATION OF THE SUBTITLE; PARTIES' POWER TO 25 CHOOSE APPLICABLE LAW.

(1) Except as provided hereafter in this section, when a transaction pears a reasonable relation to this state and also to another state or nation the parties may agree that the law either of this state or of such other state or nation shall govern their rights and duties. Failing such agreement this subtitle applies to transactions bearing an appropriate relation to this state.

32 (2) Where one of the following provisions of this subtitle specifies 33 the applicable law, that provision governs and a contrary agreement is 34 effective only to the extent permitted by the law (including the conflict of 35 laws rules) so specified:

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Rights of creditors against sold goods. Section 4-2-402.

Applicability of the chapter on leases. Sections 4-2A-105 and 43 2A-106.

Applicability of the chapter on bank deposits and collections.5 Section 4-4-102.

6 Applicability of the chapter on investment securities. Section 4-7 8-106.

8 Perfection provisions of the chapter on secured transactions.9 Section 4-9-103.

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SECTION 3. Arkansas Code Annoted §4-1-201(37) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(37) _Security interest_ means an interest in personal property or fixtures which secures payment or performance of an obligation. The retention or reservation of title by a seller of goods notwithstanding shipment or delivery to the buyer (Section 4-2-401) is limited in effect to a reservation of a _security interest_. The term also includes any interest of a buyer of accounts or chattel paper which is subject to chapter 9. The special property interest of a buyer of goods on identification of those goods to a contract for sale under Section 4-2-401 is not a _security interest_, but a buyer may also acquire a _security interest_ by complying with chapter 9 of this title. Unless a consignment is intended as security, reservation of title thereunder is not a _security interest_, but a consignment in any event is subject to the provisions on consignment sales (Section 4-2-326).

25 Whether a transaction creates a lease or security interest is 26 determined by the facts of each case; however, a transaction creates a 27 security interest if the consideration the lessee is to pay the lessor for the 28 right to possession and use of the goods is an obligation for the term of the 29 lease not subject to termination by the lessee, and

30 (a) the original term of the lease is equal to or greater than the31 remaining economic life of the goods,

32 (b) the lessee is bound to renew the lease for the remaining 33 economic life of the goods or is bound to become the owner of the goods,

34 (c) the lessee has an option to renew the lease for the remaining35 economic life of the goods for no additional consideration upon compliance

1 with the lease agreement, or

2 (d) the lessee has an option to become the owner of the goods for 3 no additional consideration or nominal additional consideration upon 4 compliance with the lease agreement.

5 A transaction does not create a security interest merely because it 6 provides that

7 (a) the present value of the consideration the lessee is 8 obligated to pay the lessor for the right to possession and use of the goods 9 is substantially equal to or is greater than the fair market value of the 10 goods at the time the lease is entered into,

(b) the lessee assumes risk of loss of the goods, or agrees to pay taxes, insurance, filing, recording, or registration fees, or service or maintenance costs with respect to the goods,

14 (c) the lessee has an option to renew the lease or to become 15 the owner of the goods,

16 (d) the lessee has an option to renew the lease for a fixed 17 rent that is equal to or greater than the reasonably predictable fair market 18 rent for the use of the goods for the term of the renewal at the time the 19 option is to be performed, or

20 (e) the lessee has an option to become the owner of the 21 goods for a fixed price that is equal to or greater than the reasonably 22 predictable fair market value of the goods at the time the option is to be 23 performed.

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For purposes of this subsection (37):

(a) Additional consideration is not nominal if (i) when the option to renew the lease is granted to the lessee the rent is stated to be the fair market rent for the use of the goods for the term of the renewal determined at the time the option is to be performed, or (ii) when the option become the owner of the goods is granted to the lessee the price is stated to be the fair market value of the goods determined at the time the option is to be performed. Additional consideration is nominal if it is less than the lessee's reasonably predictable cost of performing under the lease agreement if the option is not exercised;

34 (b) _Reasonably predictable_ and _remaining economic life 35 of the goods_ are to be determined with reference to the facts and

1 circumstances at the time the transaction is entered into; and

(c) _Present value_ means the amount as of a date certain of one or more sums payable in the future, discounted to the date certain. The discount is determined by the interest rate specified by the parties if the rate is not manifestly unreasonable at the time the transaction is entered into; otherwise, the discount is determined by a commercially reasonable rate that takes into account the facts and circumstances of each case at the time the transaction was entered into."

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SECTION 4. Arkansas Code Annotated §4-9-113 is hereby amended to read 11 as follows:

12 "§4-9-113. SECURITY INTERESTS ARISING UNDER CHAPTER ON SALES OR UNDER 13 CHAPTER ON LEASES. A security interest arising solely under the chapter on 14 sales (chapter 2 of this title) or the chapter on leases (chapter 2A) is 15 subject to the provisions of this chapter except that to the extent that and 16 so long as the debtor does not have or does not lawfully obtain possession of 17 the goods

18 (a) no security agreement is necessary to make the security interest19 enforceable; and

20 (b) no filing is required to perfect the security interest; and 21 (c) the rights of the secured party on default by the debtor are 22 governed (i) by the chapter on sales (chapter 2 of this title) in the case of 23 a security interest arising solely under such chapter or (ii) by the chapter 24 on leases (chapter 2A) in the case of a security interest arising solely under 25 such chapter."

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27 SECTION 5. Transactions within the scope of this act and validly 28 entered into before the effective date of this act, and the rights, duties, 29 and interests flowing from them, remain valid thereafter and may be 30 terminated, completed, consummated, or enforced as required or permitted by 31 any statute or other law amended or repealed by this act as though such repeal 32 or amendment had not occurred.

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34 SECTION 6. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature 35 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code

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1 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 7. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.
SECTION 8. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.